

ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 152

Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee; Friend, 10; Janssen, 15;
Lathrop, 12; McGill, 26; Rogert, 16; White, 8;

PURPOSE: This study shall provide the opportunity for the Urban Affairs Committee of the Legislature to investigate and review matters and issues arising during the interim which are within its jurisdiction and which may be the subject of bills to be introduced in the 2008 legislative session. This study shall provide the opportunity for a careful review of proposed legislation and the drafting of such legislation before time constraints and the pace of legislative activity makes studied review more problematic. This process has, in the past, served to facilitate review of bills during the regular session and has helped the committee avoid the need for committee amendments which slow down the consideration of bills by the Legislature.

The study shall involve:

(1) A review of any legislation considered by the Urban Affairs Committee during the 2007 legislative session which was either killed by the committee, failed to advance to final reading, or was held in committee to determine what further action might be warranted with regard to the particular subjects of the individual bills, including, but not limited to, handicapped parking, municipal consolidation, the formation of new villages,

expanded planning and zoning authority for cities of the first and second class, sanitary and improvement districts, municipal annexation, and outdoor advertising signs, displays, and devices;

(2) A review of problems, concerns, or legislation proposed for introduction by senators or other parties for study, technical discussion, or conceptual refinement before the start of the next legislative session; and

(3) The holding of at least one public hearing to provide an opportunity for public comment and discussion with members of the committee and the public on issues within the committee's jurisdiction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Urban Affairs Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.