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Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

### A BILL

1	FOR AN ACT relating to	drivers' licenses; to amend sections 29-3608	3,
2	60-462, 60	0-462.01, 60-4,116, 60-4,131, 60-4,131.01	L,
3	60-4,132,	60-4,137, 60-4,138, 60-4,139, 60-4,143	3,
4	60-4,144, 6	60-4,145, 60-4,146, 60-4,153, 60-4,154, ar	ıd
5	60-2909.01,	, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, ar	ıd
б	sections 75	5-363 and 75-364, Revised Statutes Cumulativ	<i>i</i> e
7	Supplement,	, 2010; to adopt updated federal regulations	3;
8	to define	and redefine terms; to adopt provision	ıs
9	relating to	o commercial driver medical examinations; t	20
10	provide dut	ties for the Department of Motor Vehicles; t	20
11	change provi	visions relating to license issuance; to chang	je
12	provisions	relating to commercial drive	er
13	disqualifica	cation; to change provisions relating t	20
14	adoption of	f federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations ar	ıd
15	federal Haz	azardous Material Regulations; to harmoniz	ze
16	provisions;	; and to repeal the original sections.	

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1 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1	Section 1. Section 29-3608, Reissue Revised Statutes of
2	Nebraska, is amended to read:
3	29-3608 Any driver holding a commercial driver's license
4	issued pursuant to sections 60-462.01 and 60-4,138 to 60-4,172 <u>and</u>
5	sections 13 and 14 of this act shall not be eligible to participate
б	in a program under sections 29-3605 to 29-3609 if such participation
7	would be in noncompliance with federal law or regulation and subject
8	the state to possible loss of federal funds.
9	Sec. 2. Section 60-462, Reissue Revised Statutes of
10	Nebraska, is amended to read:
11	60-462 Sections 60-462 to 60-4,188 and sections 13 and 14
12	of this act shall be known and may be cited as the Motor Vehicle
13	Operator's License Act.
14	Sec. 3. Section 60-462.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of
15	Nebraska, is amended to read:
16	60-462.01 For purposes of the Motor Vehicle Operator's
17	License Act, the following federal regulations are adopted as
18	Nebraska law as they existed on January 1, <del>2010:</del> 2011:
19	(1) Beginning on an implementation date designated by the
20	director, the federal requirements for interstate shipment of
21	etiologic agents, 42 C.F.R. part 72; and
22	(2) The parts, subparts, and sections of Title 49 of the
23	Code of Federal Regulations, as referenced in the Motor Vehicle
24	Operator's License Act.
25	Sec. 4. Section 60-4,116, Reissue Revised Statutes of

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1 Nebraska, is amended to read:

2 60-4,116 Prior to the issuance of any original or renewal 3 operator's license or the reissuance of any such license with a 4 change of any classification, endorsement, or restriction, the 5 <u>Department of Motor Vehicles department shall</u>:

6 (1) Check the driving record of the applicant as 7 maintained by the department or by any other state which has issued 8 an operator's license to the applicant;

9 (2) Beginning September 30, 2005, contact <u>Contact</u> the 10 Commercial Driver License Information System to determine whether the 11 applicant possesses any valid commercial driver's license issued by 12 any other state, whether such license or the applicant's privilege to 13 operate a commercial motor vehicle has been suspended, revoked, or 14 canceled, or whether the applicant has been disqualified from 15 operating a commercial motor vehicle; and

16 (3) Contact the National Driver Register to determine if 17 the applicant (a) has been disqualified from operating any motor 18 vehicle, or-(b) has had an operator's license suspended, revoked, or 19 canceled, (c) is not eligible, or (d) is deceased.

20 Sec. 5. Section 60-4,131, Reissue Revised Statutes of 21 Nebraska, is amended to read:

22 60-4,131 (1) Sections 60-462.01 and 60-4,132 to 60-4,172 23 and sections 13 and 14 of this act shall apply to the operation of 24 any commercial motor vehicle.

25 (2) For purposes of such sections:

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1 (a) Disqualification means: either: 2 (i) The suspension, revocation, cancellation, or any other withdrawal by a state of a person's privilege to drive a 3 commercial motor vehicle; or 4 5 (ii) A determination by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety б Administration, under the rules of practice for motor carrier safety 7 contained in 49 C.F.R. part 386, that a person is no longer qualified 8 to operate a commercial motor vehicle under 49 C.F.R. part 391; or (iii) The loss of qualification which automatically 9 follows conviction of an offense listed in 49 C.F.R. 383.51; 10 (b) Downgrade means the state: 11 12 (i) Allows the driver of a commercial motor vehicle to 13 change his or her self-certification to interstate, but operating exclusively in transportation or operation excepted from 49 C.F.R. 14 part 391, as provided in 49 C.F.R. 390.3(f), 391.2, 391.68, or 398.3; 15 (ii) Allows the driver of a commercial motor vehicle to 16 change his or her self-certification to intrastate only, if the 17 driver qualifies under a state's physical qualification requirements 18 for intrastate only; 19 20 (iii) Allows the driver of a commercial motor vehicle to change his or her certification to intrastate, but operating 21 22 exclusively in transportation or operations excepted from all or part 23 of a state driver qualification requirement; or 24 (iv) Removes the commercial driver's license privilege

25 <u>from the operator's license;</u>

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(b)-(c) Employee means any operator of a commercial motor vehicle, including full time, regularly employed drivers; casual, intermittent, or occasional drivers; and leased drivers and independent, owner-operator contractors, while in the course of operating a commercial motor vehicle, who are either directly employed by or under lease to an employer; (c) (d) Employer means any person, including the United States, a state, the District of Columbia, or a political subdivision of a state, that owns or leases a commercial motor vehicle or assigns employees to operate a commercial motor vehicle; (d) (e) Endorsement means an authorization to an individual's commercial driver's license required to permit the individual to operate certain types of commercial motor vehicles; (f) Medical examiner's certificate means a form meeting the requirements of 49 C.F.R. 391.43 issued by a medical examiner in compliance with such regulation; (g) Medical variance means the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has provided a driver with either an exemption letter permitting operation of a commercial motor vehicle pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 381, subpart C, or 49 C.F.R. 391.64 or a Skill Performance

21 <u>Evaluation Certificate permitting operation of a commercial motor</u>
22 <u>vehicle pursuant to 49 C.F.R. 391.49;</u>

23 (e) (h) Representative vehicle means a motor vehicle
24 which represents the type of motor vehicle that a driver applicant
25 operates or expects to operate;

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 $\frac{(f)}{(i)}$  State means a state of the United States and the 2 District of Columbia; 3 (g) (j) State of domicile means that state where a person 4 has his or her true, fixed, and permanent home and principal 5 residence and to which he or she has the intention of returning whenever he or she is absent; б 7 (h) (k) Tank vehicle means any commercial motor vehicle 8 that is designed to transport any liquid or gaseous materials within a tank that is either permanently or temporarily attached to the 9 vehicle or the chassis. Such vehicle includes, but is not limited to, 10 a cargo tank and a portable tank, as defined in 49 C.F.R. part 171. 11 12 However, this definition does not include a portable tank that has a 13 rated capacity under one thousand gallons; 14 (i) <u>(1)</u> United States means the fifty states and the District of Columbia; and 15 16 (j) (m) Vehicle group means a class or type of vehicle with certain operating characteristics. 17 Sec. 6. Section 60-4,131.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of 18 Nebraska, is amended to read: 19 20 60-4,131.01 Sections 60-462.01 and 60-4,132 to 60-4,172 and sections 13 and 14 of this act shall not apply to individuals who 21 22 operate commercial motor vehicles for military purposes, including 23 and limited to: (1) Active duty military personnel; 24 (2) Members of the military reserves, other than military 25

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1 technicians;

2 (3) Active duty United States Coast Guard personnel; and
3 (4) Members of the National Guard on active duty,
4 including:

5 (a) Personnel on full-time National Guard duty;
6 (b) Personnel on part-time National Guard training; and
7 (c) National Guard military technicians required to wear
8 military uniforms.

9 Such individuals must have a valid military driver's 10 license unless such individual is operating the vehicle under written 11 orders from a commanding officer in an emergency declared by the 12 federal government or by the State of Nebraska.

Sec. 7. Section 60-4,132, Reissue Revised Statutes of
Nebraska, is amended to read:

60-4,132 The purposes of sections 60-462.01 and 60-4,137 15 to 60-4,172 and sections 13 and 14 of this act are to implement the 16 requirements mandated by the federal Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety 17 Act of 1986, 49 U.S.C. 31100 et seq., the federal Motor Carrier 18 Safety Improvement Act of 1999, Public Law 106-159, section 1012 of 19 20 the federal Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing 21 Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001, USA PATRIOT Act, 49 U.S.C. 5103a, and federal regulations and 22 23 to reduce or prevent commercial motor vehicle accidents, fatalities, 24 and injuries by: (1) Permitting drivers to hold only one operator's 25 license; (2) disqualifying drivers for specified offenses and serious

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2 standards. 3 Sec. 8. Section 60-4,137, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read: 4 5 60-4,137 Any resident of this state operating a б commercial motor vehicle on the highways of this state shall possess 7 a commercial driver's license or LPC-learner's permit issued pursuant 8 to sections 60-462.01 and 60-4,138 to 60-4,172 and sections 13 and 14 9 of this act. Sec. 9. Section 60-4,138, Reissue Revised Statutes of 10 Nebraska, is amended to read: 11 12 60-4,138 (1) Commercial drivers' licenses and restricted 13 commercial drivers' licenses shall be issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles, department in compliance with 49 C.F.R. parts 383 and 14 <u>391, shall be classified as provided in subsection (2) of this</u> 15 section, and shall bear such endorsements and restrictions as are 16 provided in subsections (3) and (4) of this section. 17 (2) Commercial motor vehicle classifications for purposes 18 of commercial drivers' licenses shall be as follows: 19 20 (a) Class A Combination Vehicle - Any combination of motor vehicles and towed vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating 21 22 of more than twenty-six thousand pounds if the gross vehicle weight 23 rating of the vehicles being towed are in excess of ten thousand 24 pounds; 25 (b) Class B Heavy Straight Vehicle - Any single

traffic violations; and (3) strengthening licensing and testing

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1	commercial motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of
2	twenty-six thousand one pounds or more or any such commercial motor
3	vehicle towing a vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating not
4	exceeding ten thousand pounds; and
5	(c) Class C Small Vehicle - Any single commercial motor
6	vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating of less than twenty-six
7	thousand one pounds or any such commercial motor vehicle towing a
8	vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating not exceeding ten thousand
9	pounds comprising:
10	(i) Motor vehicles designed to transport sixteen or more
11	passengers, including the driver; and
12	(ii) Motor vehicles used in the transportation of
13	hazardous materials and required to be placarded pursuant to section
14	75-364.
15	(3) The endorsements to a commercial driver's license
16	shall be as follows:
17	(a) T - Double/triple trailers;
18	(b) P - Passenger;
19	(c) N - Tank vehicle;
20	(d) H - Hazardous materials;
21	(e) X - Combination tank vehicle and hazardous materials;
22	and
23	(f) S - School bus.
24	(4) The restrictions to a commercial driver's license
25	shall be as follows:

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(a) I - Operation of a commercial motor vehicle only in 1 2 intrastate commerce due to an exemption from 49 C.F.R. part 391 pursuant to subsection (4) of section 75-363; 3 4 (b) K - Operation of a commercial motor vehicle only in 5 intrastate commerce; (c) L - Operation of only a commercial motor vehicle б 7 which is not equipped with air brakes; 8 (d) M - Operation of a commercial motor vehicle which is 9 not a Class A bus; (e) N - Operation of a commercial motor vehicle which is 10 not a Class A or Class B bus; and 11 12 (f) O - Operation of a commercial motor vehicle which is 13 not a tractor-trailer combination; and -14 (g) V - Operation of a commercial motor vehicle for drivers with medical variance documentation. The documentation shall 15 16 be required to be carried on the driver's person while operating a 17 commercial motor vehicle. Sec. 10. Section 60-4,139, Reissue Revised Statutes of 18 Nebraska, is amended to read: 19 20 60-4,139 Any nonresident may operate a commercial motor vehicle upon the highways of this state if (1) such nonresident has 21 in his or her immediate possession a valid commercial driver's 22 23 license or LPC-learner's permit issued by his or her state of residence or by a jurisdiction with standards that are in accord with 24 25 49 C.F.R. part 383 or an LPC-learner's permit issued by this state,

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parts 383 and 391, (2) the license or permit is not suspended, 1 2 revoked, or canceled, and (3) such nonresident is not disqualified 3 from operating a commercial motor vehicle, and (4) the commercial motor vehicle is not operated in violation of any downgrade. 4 5 Sec. 11. Section 60-4,143, Reissue Revised Statutes of 6 Nebraska, is amended to read: 7 60-4,143 (1) No commercial driver's license or LPC-8 learner's permit shall, under any circumstances, be issued to any 9 person who has not attained the age of eighteen years. (2) A commercial driver's license or LPC-learner's permit 10 shall not be issued to any person during the period the person is 11 12 subject to a disqualification in this or any other state, or while 13 the person's operator's license is suspended, revoked, or canceled in 14 this or any other state, or when the Commercial Driver License 15 Information System indicates not certified. 16 (3) The Department of Motor Vehicles department shall not issue any commercial driver's license to any person unless the person 17 applying for a commercial driver's license first surrenders to the 18 19 department all operators' licenses issued to such person by this or 20 any other state. Any operator's license issued by another state which is surrendered to the department shall be returned to that state by 21 the director for cancellation. 22 23 Sec. 12. Section 60-4,144, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read: 24 25 60-4,144 (1)(a) This subsection applies until the

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1	implementation date designated by the director pursuant to section
2	60-462.02. Application for any original or renewal commercial
3	driver's license or application for any change of class of commercial
4	motor vehicle, endorsement, or restriction may be made in a manner
5	prescribed by the department. Such application may be made to an
6	examiner in any county. The examiner shall personally conduct the
7	examination of the applicant and deliver to each successful applicant
8	an examiner's certificate containing the statements made pursuant to
9	subdivision (b) of this subsection.
10	(b) The application or examiner's certificate shall
11	include the voter registration portion pursuant to section 32-308,
12	the advisement language required by subsection (5) of section
13	<del>60-6,197, and the following:</del>
14	(i) The full name, the current mailing address, and the
15	residential address of the applicant, except that if the applicant is
16	a program participant under the Address Confidentiality Act, he or
17	she need not supply his or her residential address;
18	(ii) A physical description of the applicant, including
19	sex, height, weight, and eye and hair colors;
20	(iii) The applicant's date of birth;
21	(iv) The applicant's social security number;
22	(v) The applicant's signature;
23	(vi) Certification that the commercial motor vehicle in
24	which the applicant takes any driving skills examination is
25	representative of the class of commercial motor vehicle that the

1	applicant operates or expects to operate;
2	(vii) The certification required pursuant to section
3	<del>60-4,145 or 60-4,146;</del>
4	(viii) Beginning September 30, 2005, the names of all
5	states where the applicant has been licensed to operate any type of
6	motor vehicle in the ten years prior to the date of application;
7	(ix) The following specific questions:
8	(A) Have you within the last three months (e.g. due to
9	diabetes, epilepsy, mental illness, head injury, stroke, heart
10	condition, neurological disease, etc.):
11	(I) lost voluntary control or consciousness yes
12	no
13	(II) experienced vertigo or multiple episodes of
14	dizziness or fainting yes no
15	(III) experienced disorientation yes no
16	(IV) experienced seizures yes no
17	(V) experienced impairment of memory, memory loss
18	<del>yes no</del>
19	Please explain:
20	(B) Do you experience any condition which affects your
21	ability to operate a motor vehicle? (e.g. due to loss of or
22	impairment of foot, leg, hand, or arm; neurological or neuromuscular
23	<del>disease, etc.) yes no</del>
24	Please explain:
25	(C) Since the issuance of your last driver's license/

1	permit has your health or medical condition changed or worsened?
2	<del>yes no</del>
3	Please explain, including how the above affects your
4	ability to drive:
5	(x) Do you wish to register to vote as part of this
6	application process?
7	OPTIONAL - YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO ANSWER ANY OF THE
8	FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:
9	(xi) Do you wish to be an organ and tissue donor?
10	(xii) Do you wish to receive any additional specific
11	information regarding organ and tissue donation and the Donor
12	Registry of Nebraska?
13	(xiii) Do you wish to donate \$1 to promote the Organ and
14	Tissue Donor Awareness and Education Fund?
15	(c) Application shall be made under oath or affirmation
16	of the applicant.
17	(2) This subsection applies beginning on the
18	implementation date designated by the director pursuant to section
19	60-462.02. (1) An applicant for any original or renewal commercial
20	driver's license or an applicant for a change of class of commercial
21	motor vehicle, endorsement, or restriction shall demonstrate his or
22	her knowledge and skills for operating a commercial motor vehicle as
23	prescribed in the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act. An applicant
24	for a commercial driver's license shall provide the information and
25	documentation required by this section and section 60-484 and section

1 <u>13 of this act</u>. Such information and documentation shall <u>include any</u> 2 <u>additional information required by 49 C.F.R. parts 383 and 391 and</u> 3 also include:

4 (a) Certification that the commercial motor vehicle in 5 which the applicant takes any driving skills examination is 6 representative of the class of commercial motor vehicle that the 7 applicant operates or expects to operate; and

8 (b) The certification required pursuant to section
9 60-4,145 or 60-4,146; and

10 (c) (b) The names of all states where the applicant has
11 been licensed to operate any type of motor vehicle in the ten years
12 prior to the date of application.

13 (2) Any person applying for any commercial driver's
 14 license on or before December 31, 2011, must present the
 15 certification required pursuant to section 60-4,145 or 60-4,146.

16 (3) Any person applying for any commercial driver's 17 license on or after January 1, 2012, must make one of the 18 certifications in section 13 of this act and provide such 19 certification to the department in order to be issued a commercial 20 driver's license.

21 (4) On or after January 1, 2012, but no later than 22 January 30, 2014, every person who holds any commercial driver's 23 license must provide to the department medical certification as 24 required by section 13 of this act. The department may provide notice 25 and prescribe medical certification compliance requirements for all

1	holders of commercial driver's licenses. Holders of commercial
2	driver's licenses who fail to meet the prescribed medical
3	certification compliance requirements may be subject to downgrade.
4	Sec. 13. (1) A person must certify that he or she
5	operates or expects to operate a commercial motor vehicle in
6	interstate commerce, is both subject to and meets the qualification
7	requirements under 49 C.F.R. part 391, and is required to obtain a
8	medical examiner's certificate by 49 C.F.R. 391.45. Any nonexcepted
9	holder of a commercial driver license on or after January 1, 2012,
10	who certifies that he or she will operate a commercial motor vehicle
11	in nonexcepted, interstate commerce must maintain a current medical
12	examiner's certificate and provide a copy of it to the department in
13	order to maintain his or her medical certification status;
14	(2) A person must certify that he or she operates or
15	expects to operate a commercial motor vehicle in interstate commerce,
16	but engages exclusively in transportation or operations excepted
17	under 49 C.F.R. 390.3(f), 391.2, 391.68, or 398.3 from all or part of
18	the qualification requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 391, and is therefor
19	not required to obtain a medical examiner's certificate by 49 C.F.R.
20	<u>391.45;</u>
21	(3) A person must certify that he or she operates a
22	commercial motor vehicle only in intrastate commerce and therefor is
23	subject to state driver qualification requirements as provided in
24	<u>section 75-363; or</u>
25	(4) A person must certify that he or she operates a

1	commercial motor vehicle in intrastate commerce, but engages
2	exclusively in transportation or operations excepted from all or
3	parts of the state driver qualification requirements.
4	Sec. 14. (1) Beginning January 1, 2012, for each operator
5	of a commercial motor vehicle required to have a commercial driver's
б	license, the department, in compliance with 49 C.F.R. 383.73, shall:
7	(a) Post the driver's self-certification of type of
8	driving under 49 C.F.R. 383.71(a)(1)(ii);
9	(b) Retain the medical examiner's certificate of any
10	driver required to provide documentation of physical qualification
11	for three years beyond the date the certificate was issued; and
12	(c) Post the information from the medical examiner's
13	certificate within ten calendar days to the Commercial Driver License
14	Information System driver record, including:
15	(i) The medical examiner's name;
16	(ii) The medical examiner's telephone number;
17	(iii) The date of the medical examiner's certificate
18	issuance;
19	(iv) The medical examiner's license number and the state
20	that issued it;
21	(v) The medical examiner's National Registry
22	identification number (if the National Registry of Medical Examiners,
23	mandated by 49 U.S.C. 31149(d), requires one);
24	(vi) The indicator of the medical certification status,
25	<pre>either "certified" or "not-certified";</pre>

1	(vii) The expiration date of the medical examiner's
2	<u>certificate;</u>
3	(viii) The existence of any medical variance on the
4	medical certificate, such as an exemption, Skill Performance
5	Evaluation (SPE) certification, or grandfather provisions;
б	(ix) Any restrictions, for example, corrective lenses,
7	hearing aid, or required to have possession of an exemption letter or
8	Skill Performance Evaluation certificate while on duty; and
9	(x) The date the medical examiner's certificate
10	information was posted to the Commercial Driver License Information
11	System driver record.
12	(2) Beginning January 1, 2012, the department shall,
13	within ten calendar days of the driver's medical certification status
14	expiring or a medical variance expiring or being rescinded, update
15	the medical certification status of that driver as "not-certified".
16	<u>(3) Beginning January 1, 2012, within ten calendar days</u>
17	of receiving information from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety
18	Administration regarding issuance or renewal of a medical variance
19	for a driver, the department shall update the Commercial Driver
20	License Information System driver record to include the medical
21	variance information provided by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety
22	Administration.
23	(4)(a) Beginning January 1, 2012, if a driver's medical
24	certification or medical variance expires, or the Federal Motor
25	Carrier Safety Administration notifies the department that a medical

1	variance was removed or rescinded, the department shall:
2	(i) Notify the commercial driver's license holder of his
3	or her commercial driver's license "not-certified" medical
4	certification status and that the commercial driver's license
5	privilege will be removed from the driver's license unless the driver
6	submits a current medical certificate or medical variance or changes
7	his or her self-certification to driving only in excepted or
8	intrastate commerce, if permitted by the department; and
9	(ii) Initiate established department procedures for
10	downgrading the license. The commercial driver's license downgrade
11	shall be completed and recorded within sixty days of the driver's
12	medical certification status becoming "not-certified" to operate a
13	commercial motor vehicle.
14	(b) Beginning January 1, 2012, if a driver fails to
15	provide the department with the certification contained in 49 C.F.R.
16	383.71(a)(1)(ii), or a current medical examiner's certificate if the
17	driver self-certifies according to 49 C.F.R. 383.71(a)(1)(ii)(A) that
18	he or she is operating in nonexcepted interstate commerce as required
19	by 49 C.F.R. 383.71(h), the department shall mark that Commercial
20	Driver License Information System driver record as "not-certified"
21	and initiate a commercial driver's license downgrade following
22	department procedures in accordance with subdivision (4)(a)(ii) of
23	this section.
24	Sec. 15. Section 60-4,145, Reissue Revised Statutes of

25 Nebraska, is amended to read:

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1	60-4,145 This section applies up to and including
2	December 31, 2011. Upon making any application pursuant to section
3	60-4,144, any applicant who operates or expects to operate a
4	commercial motor vehicle in interstate or foreign commerce and who is
5	subject to 49 C.F.R. part 391 adopted pursuant to section 75-363
б	shall certify that the applicant meets the qualification requirements
7	of 49 C.F.R. part 391. A commercial driver's license examiner may
8	require any applicant making certification pursuant to this section
9	to demonstrate with or without the aid of corrective devices
10	sufficient powers of eyesight to enable him or her to operate a
11	commercial motor vehicle in conformance with the minimum vision
12	requirements of 49 C.F.R. part 391 adopted pursuant to section
13	75-363. If from the examination given it appears that any applicant's
14	powers of eyesight are such that he or she cannot meet the minimum
15	vision requirements, the examiner shall allow the applicant to
16	present an ophthalmologist's or optometrist's certificate to the
17	effect that the applicant has sufficient powers of eyesight for such
18	purpose before issuing a commercial driver's license to the
19	applicant. If the examination given by the commercial driver's
20	license examiner or the ophthalmologist's or optometrist's
21	certificate indicates that the applicant must wear a corrective
22	device to meet the minimum vision requirements established by this
23	section, the applicant shall have the use of the commercial driver's
24	license issued to him or her restricted to wearing a corrective
25	device while operating a motor vehicle. An applicant who has been

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issued a waiver or exemption by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety 1 2 Administration from the vision requirements set forth in 49 C.F.R. 3 391.41(b)(10) may be issued an interstate commercial driver's license 4 without meeting the vision requirements set forth in 49 C.F.R. 5 391.41(b)(10). Sec. 16. Section 60-4,146, Reissue Revised Statutes of 6 7 Nebraska, is amended to read: 8 60-4,146 (1) Beginning January 1, 2012, in addition to 9 certifying himself or herself under this section, an applicant shall also certify himself or herself under subsections (2) and (4) of 10 11 section 13 of this act. 12 (1) Upon making application pursuant to section 13 60-4,144, any applicant who operates or expects to operate a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate commerce and who is not 14 subject to 49 C.F.R. part 391 adopted pursuant to section 75-363 15 shall certify that he or she is not subject to 49 C.F.R. part 391. 16 Any applicant making certification pursuant to this section shall 17 meet the physical and vision requirements established in section 18 60-4,118 and shall be subject to the provisions of such section 19 20 relating to the Health Advisory Board. (2) An applicant who certifies that he or she is 21 exempt from the physical qualifications and examination requirements 22 23 of 49 C.F.R. part 391 pursuant to subsection (4) of section 75-363 shall meet the physical and vision requirements established in 24

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section 60-4,118 and shall be subject to the provisions of such

section relating to the Health Advisory Board. A successful applicant 1 2 shall be issued a commercial driver's license which restricts the 3 holder to operating a commercial motor vehicle solely in intrastate 4 commerce and which also indicates that the holder is exempt from the 5 physical qualifications and examination requirements prescribed by 49 б C.F.R. part 391. Two years after the initial issuance of such license 7 and upon renewal, and every two years following renewal, the holder 8 of the commercial driver's license shall present to the Department of Motor Vehicles upon request, on a form to be prescribed by the 9 department, a statement from a physician detailing that based upon 10 his or her examination of the applicant the medical or physical 11 12 condition in existence prior to July 30, 1996, which would otherwise 13 render the individual not qualified under federal standards, has not significantly worsened or that another nonqualifying medical or 14 15 physical condition has not developed.

16 (3) (4) An applicant who certifies that he or she is not 17 subject to 49 C.F.R. part 391 under subsection (1) (2) of this 18 section or who certifies that he or she is exempt from 49 C.F.R. part 19 391 under subsection (2) (3) of this section shall answer the 20 following questions on the application:

(a) Have you within the last three months (e.g. due to diabetes, epilepsy, mental illness, head injury, stroke, heart condition, neurological disease, etc.):

24 (i) lost voluntary control or consciousness ... yes ...25 no

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1 (ii) experienced vertigo or multiple episodes of 2 dizziness or fainting ... yes ... no 3 (iii) experienced disorientation ... yes ... no 4 (iv) experienced seizures ... yes ... no 5 (v) experienced impairment of memory, memory loss ... 6 yes ... no 7 Please explain: ..... 8 (b) Do you experience any condition which affects your ability to operate a motor vehicle? (e.g. due to loss of, or 9 impairment of, foot, leg, hand, arm; neurological or neuromuscular 10 11 disease, etc.) ... yes ... no 12 Please explain: ..... 13 (c) Since the issuance of your last driver's license/ permit has your health or medical condition changed or worsened? ... 14 15 yes ... no Please explain, including how the above affects your 16 ability to drive: ..... 17 Sec. 17. Section 60-4,153, Reissue Revised Statutes of 18 Nebraska, is amended to read: 19 20 60-4,153 Prior to the issuance of any original or renewal commercial driver's license or the reissuance of any commercial 21 22 driver's license with a change of any classification, endorsement, or 23 restriction, the Department of Motor Vehicles shall, within twentyfour hours prior to issuance if the applicant does not currently 24 possess a valid commercial driver's license issued by this state and 25

1 within ten days prior to the issuance or reissuance for all other 2 applicants:

3 (1) Check the driving record of the applicant as 4 maintained by the department or by any other state which has issued 5 an operator's license to the applicant;

6 (2) Contact the Commercial Driver License Information 7 System to determine whether the applicant possesses any valid 8 commercial driver's license issued by any other state, whether such 9 license or the applicant's privilege to operate a commercial motor 10 vehicle has been suspended, revoked, or canceled, or whether the 11 applicant has been disqualified from operating a commercial motor 12 vehicle; and

13 (3) Contact the National Driver Register to determine if the applicant (a) has been disqualified from operating any motor 14 15 vehicle, (b) has had an operator's license suspended, revoked, or 16 canceled for cause in the three-year period ending on the date of 17 application, or (c) has been convicted of operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of or while impaired by alcohol or 18 a controlled substance, a traffic violation arising in connection 19 20 with a fatal traffic accident, reckless driving, racing on the highways, failure to render aid or provide identification when 21 involved in an accident which resulted in a fatality or personal 22 23 injury, or perjury or the knowledgeable making of a false affidavit 24 or statement to officials in connection with activities governed by a 25 law, rule, or regulation related to the operation of a motor vehicle\_

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1 (d) is not eligible, or (e) is deceased. 2 Sec. 18. Section 60-4,154, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read: 3 60-4,154 (1) Prior to the issuance of any original or 4 5 renewal commercial driver's license or the reissuance of any б commercial driver's license with a change of any classification, 7 endorsement, or restriction, the director shall notify the Commercial 8 Driver License Information System of the issuance and shall provide 9 the applicant's name, social security number, and any other required 10 information to the operator of the system. 11 (2) Beginning January 1, 2012, the department shall post 12 information from the medical examiner's certificate to the Commercial 13 Driver License Information System in accordance with section 14 of 14 this act and 49 C.F.R. 383.73. 15 Sec. 19. Section 60-2909.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read: 16 17 60-2909.01 The department and any officer, employee, agent, or contractor of the department having custody of a motor 18 vehicle record shall, upon the verification of identity and purpose 19 20 of a requester, disclose and make available the requested motor 21 vehicle record, including the sensitive personal information in the record, other than the social security number, for the following 22 23 purposes: 24 (1) For use by any federal, state, or local governmental 25 agency, including any court or law enforcement agency, in carrying

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1 out the agency's functions or by a private person or entity acting on 2 behalf of a governmental agency in carrying out the agency's 3 functions;

4 (2) For use in connection with any civil, criminal, 5 administrative, or arbitral proceeding in any federal, state, or 6 local court or governmental agency or before any self-regulatory 7 body, including service of process, investigation in anticipation of 8 litigation, and execution or enforcement of judgments and orders, or 9 pursuant to an order of a federal, state, or local court, an 10 administrative agency, or a self-regulatory body;

11 (3) For use by any insurer or insurance support 12 organization, or by a self-insured entity, or its agents, employees, 13 or contractors, in connection with claims investigation activities, 14 anti-fraud activities, rating, or underwriting; and

15 (4) For use by an employer or the employer's agent or 16 insurer to obtain or verify information relating to a holder of a 17 commercial driver's license that is required under the Commercial 18 Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986, 49 U.S.C. 31301 et seq., or 19 pursuant to sections 60-4,132 and 60-4,141; and -

20 (5) For use by employers of commercial driver's license
21 holders and by the Commercial Driver License Information System as
22 provided in section 14 of this act and 49 C.F.R. 383.73.

23 Sec. 20. Section 75-363, Revised Statutes Cumulative
24 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:

25 75-363 (1) The parts, subparts, and sections of Title 49

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of the Code of Federal Regulations listed below, as modified in this 1 2 section, or any other parts, subparts, and sections referred to by 3 such parts, subparts, and sections, in existence and effective as of 4 January 1, 2010, 2011, are adopted as Nebraska law. 5 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the 6 regulations shall be applicable to: 7 (a) All motor carriers, drivers, and vehicles to which 8 the federal regulations apply; and (b) All motor carriers transporting persons or property 9 10 in intrastate commerce to include: 11 (i) All vehicles of such motor carriers with a gross 12 vehicle weight rating, gross combination weight rating, gross vehicle 13 weight, or gross combination weight over ten thousand pounds; 14 (ii) All vehicles of such motor carriers designed or used 15 to transport more than eight passengers, including the driver, for 16 compensation, or designed or used to transport more than fifteen 17 passengers, including the driver, and not used to transport passengers for compensation; 18 (iii) All vehicles of such motor carriers transporting 19 20 hazardous materials required to be placarded pursuant to section 75-364; and 21 (iv) All drivers of such motor carriers if the drivers 22 are operating a commercial motor vehicle as defined in section 60-465 23 which requires a commercial driver's license. 24 25 (3) The Legislature hereby adopts, as modified in this

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section, the following parts of Title 49 of the Code of Federal 1 2 Regulations: 3 (a) Part 382 - Controlled Substances And Alcohol Use And 4 Testing; 5 (b) Part 385 - Safety Fitness Procedures; (c) Part 386 - Rules Of Practice For Motor Carrier, 6 7 Broker, Freight Forwarder, And Hazardous Materials Proceedings; 8 (d) Part 387 - Minimum Levels of Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers; 9 10 (e) Part 390 - Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations; 11 General; 12 (f) Part 391 - Qualifications Of Drivers And Longer 13 Combination Vehicle (LCV) Driver Instructors; 14 (g) Part 392 - Driving Of Commercial Motor Vehicles; (h) Part 393 - Parts And Accessories Necessary For Safe 15 16 Operation; 17 (i) Part 395 - Hours Of Service Of Drivers; (j) Part 396 - Inspection, Repair, And Maintenance; 18 (k) Part 397 - Transportation Of Hazardous Materials; 19 20 Driving And Parking Rules; and 21 (1) Part 398 - Transportation Of Migrant Workers. (4) The provisions of subpart E - Physical Qualifications 22 23 And Examinations of 49 C.F.R. part 391 - Qualifications Of Drivers And Longer Combination Vehicle (LCV) Driver Instructors shall not 24 apply to any driver subject to this section who: (a) Operates a 25

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commercial motor vehicle exclusively in intrastate commerce; and (b)
 holds, or has held, a commercial driver's license issued by this
 state prior to July 30, 1996.

4 (5) The regulations adopted in subsection (3) of this 5 section shall not apply to farm trucks registered pursuant to section 6 60-3,146 with a gross weight of sixteen tons or less. The following 7 parts and sections of 49 C.F.R. chapter III shall not apply to 8 drivers of farm trucks registered pursuant to section 60-3,146 and 9 operated solely in intrastate commerce:

10 (a) All of part 391;

11 (b) Section 395.8 of part 395; and

12 (c) Section 396.11 of part 396.

13 (6) Part 393 - Parts And Accessories Necessary For Safe
14 Operation and Part 396 - Inspection, Repair, And Maintenance shall
15 not apply to fertilizer and agricultural chemical application and
16 distribution equipment transported in units with a capacity of three
17 thousand five hundred gallons or less.

18 (7) For purposes of this section, intrastate motor 19 carriers shall not include any motor carrier or driver excepted from 20 49 C.F.R. chapter III by section 390.3(f) of part 390<u>.</u> or any 21 nonprofit entity, operating solely in intrastate commerce, organized 22 for the purpose of furnishing electric service.

(8)(a) Part 395 - Hours Of Service Of Drivers shall apply
to motor carriers and drivers who engage in intrastate commerce as
defined in section 75-362, except that no motor carrier who engages

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in intrastate commerce shall permit or require any driver used by it 1 to drive nor shall any driver drive:

3 (i) More than twelve hours following eight consecutive hours off duty; or 4

5 (ii) For any period after having been on duty sixteen 6 hours following eight consecutive hours off duty.

7 (b) No motor carrier who engages in intrastate commerce 8 shall permit or require a driver of a commercial motor vehicle, regardless of the number of motor carriers using the driver's 9 services, to drive, nor shall any driver of a commercial motor 10 11 vehicle drive, for any period after:

12 (i) Having been on duty seventy hours in any seven 13 consecutive days if the employing motor carrier does not operate 14 every day of the week; or

(ii) Having been on duty eighty hours in any period of 15 eight consecutive days if the employing motor carrier operates motor 16 17 vehicles every day of the week.

(9) Part 395 - Hours Of Service Of Drivers, as adopted in 18 subsections (3) and (8) of this section, shall not apply to drivers 19 20 transporting agricultural commodities or farm supplies for agricultural purposes when the transportation of such commodities or 21 supplies occurs within a one-hundred-air-mile radius of the source of 22 23 the commodities or the distribution point for the supplies when such 24 transportation occurs during the period beginning on February 15 up 25 to and including December 15 of each calendar year.

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1	(10) 49 C.F.R. 390.21 - Marking Of Commercial Motor
2	Vehicles shall not apply to farm trucks and farm truck-tractors
3	registered pursuant to section 60-3,146 and operated solely in
4	intrastate commerce.
5	(11) 49 C.F.R. 392.9a - Operating Authority shall not
б	apply to Nebraska motor carriers operating commercial motor vehicles
7	solely in intrastate commerce.
8	(12) No motor carrier shall permit or require a driver of
9	a commercial motor vehicle to violate, and no driver of a commercial
10	motor vehicle shall violate, any out-of-service order.
11	Sec. 21. Section 75-364, Revised Statutes Cumulative
12	Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
13	75-364 $(1)$ The parts, subparts, and sections of Title 49
14	of the Code of Federal Regulations listed below, or any other parts,
15	subparts, and sections referred to by such parts, subparts, and
16	sections, in existence and effective as of January 1, <del>2010, <u>2011,</u> are</del>
17	adopted as part of Nebraska law and <del>, except as provided in</del>
18	subsections $(2)$ and $(3)$ of this section, shall be applicable to all
19	motor carriers whether engaged in interstate or intrastate commerce,
20	drivers of such motor carriers, and vehicles of such motor carriers:
21	<del>(a) <u>(</u>1) P</del> art 107 - Hazardous Materials Program
22	Procedures, subpart F-Registration <del>Of <u>of</u> Cargo Tank <u>And and C</u>argo</del>
23	Tank Motor Vehicle Manufacturers, Assemblers, Repairers, Inspectors,
24	Testers, and Design Certifying Engineers;
25	<del>(b) <u>(</u>2) Part 107 - Hazardous Materials Program</del>

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Procedures, subpart G-Registration Of Persons Who Offer Or or 1 2 Transport Hazardous Materials; 3 (c) (3) Part 171 - General Information, Regulations, And 4 Definitions; GENERAL INFORMATION, REGULATIONS, AND DEFINITIONS; 5 (d) <u>(4)</u> Part 172 - Hazardous Materials Table, Special 6 Provisions, Hazardous Materials Communications, Emergency Response 7 Information, and Training Requirements; HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TABLE, 8 SPECIAL PROVISIONS, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COMMUNICATIONS, EMERGENCY 9 RESPONSE INFORMATION, AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS AND SECURITY PLANS; 10 (e) <u>(5)</u> Part 173 - Shippers - General Requirements For Shipments And Packagings; SHIPPERS - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR 11 12 SHIPMENTS AND PACKAGINGS; 13 (f) \_(6) Part 177 - Carriage By Public Highway; CARRIAGE 14 BY PUBLIC HIGHWAY; (g) (7) Part 178 - Specifications For Packagings; 15 16 SPECIFICATIONS FOR PACKAGINGS; and 17 (h) <u>(8)</u> Part 180 - Continuing Qualification And Maintenance Of Packagings. CONTINUING QUALIFICATION AND MAINTENANCE 18 19 OF PACKAGINGS. 20 (2) Agricultural operations exceptions: 21 (a) The transportation of an agricultural product other 22 than a Class 2 material (Compressed Gases) as defined in 49 C.F.R. 23 171.8, over roads, other than the National System of Interstate and 24 Defense Highways, between fields of the same farm, is excepted from 25 subsection (1) of this section when:

1	(i) The agricultural product is transported by a farmer
2	who is an intrastate private motor carrier; and
3	(ii) The movement of the agricultural product conforms to
4	all other laws in effect on or before July 1, 1998, and 49 C.F.R.
5	173.24, 173.24a, and 173.24b;
6	(b) The transportation of an agricultural product to or
7	from a farm, within one hundred fifty miles of the farm, is excepted
8	from the requirements in 49 C.F.R. part 172, subparts G (emergency
9	response information) and H (training), and from the specific
10	packaging requirements of subsection (1) of this section when:
11	(i) The agricultural product is transported by a farmer
12	who is an intrastate private motor carrier;
13	(ii) The total amount of agricultural product being
14	transported on a single vehicle does not exceed:
15	(A) Sixteen thousand ninety four pounds of ammonium
16	nitrate fertilizer properly classed as Division 5.1, PGIII, in a bulk
17	<del>packaging; or</del>
18	(B) Five hundred two gallons for liquids or gases, or
19	five thousand seventy pounds for solids, of any other agricultural
20	<del>product;</del>
21	(iii) The packaging conforms to the requirements of state
22	law and is specifically authorized for transportation of the
23	agricultural product by state law and such state law has been in
24	effect on or before July 1, 1998; and
25	(iv) Each person having any responsibility for

1 transporting the agricultural product or preparing the agricultural product for shipment has been instructed in the applicable 2 3 requirements of the parts, subparts, and sections of Title 49 of the 4 Code of Federal Regulations adopted in this section; and 5 (c) Formulated liquid agricultural products in 6 specification packagings of fifty eight gallon capacity or less, with 7 closures manifolded to a closed mixing system and equipped with 8 positive dry disconnect devices, may be transported by a private 9 motor carrier between a final distribution point and an ultimate 10 point of application or for loading aboard an airplane for aerial 11 application. 12 (3) Exceptions for nonspecification packagings used in 13 intrastate transportation: 14 (a) Nonspecification cargo tanks for petroleum products: 15 Notwithstanding requirements for specification packagings in 49 16 C.F.R. part 173, subpart F, and 49 C.F.R. parts 178 and 180, a 17 nonspecification metal tank permanently secured to a transport 18 vehicle and protected against leakage or damage in the event of a 19 turnover, having a capacity of less than three thousand five hundred 20 gallons, may be used by an intrastate motor carrier for 21 transportation of a flammable liquid petroleum product in accordance 22 with subdivision (c) of this subsection; 23 (b) Permanently secured nonbulk tanks for petroleum 24 products: Notwithstanding requirements for specification packagings

25 in 49 C.F.R. part 173, subpart F, and 49 C.F.R. parts 178 and 180, a

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1	nonspecification metal tank permanently secured to a transport
2	vehicle and protected against leakage or damage in the event of a
3	turnover, having a capacity of less than one hundred nineteen
4	gallons, may be used by an intrastate motor carrier for
5	transportation of a flammable liquid petroleum product in accordance
6	with subdivision (c) of this subsection; and
7	(c) Additional requirements: A packaging used pursuant to
8	subdivision (a) or (b) of this subsection must:
9	(i) Be operated by an intrastate motor carrier and in use
10	as a packaging for hazardous material before July 1, 1998;
11	(ii) Be operated in conformance with the requirements of
12	the State of Nebraska;
13	(iii) Be specifically authorized by state law in effect
14	before July 1, 1998, for use as a packaging for the hazardous
15	material being transported and by 49 C.F.R. 173.24, 173.24a, and
16	<del>173.24b<i>i</i></del>
17	(iv) Be offered for transportation and transported in
18	conformance with all other applicable requirements of the hazardous
19	material regulations;
20	(v) Not be used to transport a flammable cryogenic
21	liquid, hazardous substance, hazardous waste, or marine pollutant as
22	defined in 49 C.F.R. 171.8; and
23	(vi) On and after July 1, 2000, for a tank authorized
24	under subdivision (a) or (b) of this subsection, conform to all
25	requirements in 49 C.F.R. part 180, except for 49 C.F.R. 180.405(g),

1	in the same manner as required for a United States Department of
2	Transportation specification MC306 cargo tank motor vehicle.
3	(4) For purposes of this section:
4	(a) Agricultural product means a hazardous material,
5	other than a hazardous waste, whose end use directly supports the
6	production of an agricultural commodity, including, but not limited
7	to, a fertilizer, pesticide, soil amendment, or fuel. An agricultural
8	product is limited to a material in Class 3 (Flammable Liquids),
9	Class 8 (Corrosives), or Class 9 (Miscellaneous), Division 2.1
10	(Flammable Gas), Division 2.2 (Nonflammable Gas), Division 5.1
11	(Oxidizers), or Division 6.1 (Poisons), or an ORM-D material
12	(Consumer Commodity), as defined in 49 C.F.R. 171.8;
13	(b) Bulk package means a packaging, including a transport
14	vehicle or freight container, in which hazardous materials are loaded
15	with no other intermediate form of containment and which has:
16	(i) A maximum capacity greater than one hundred nineteen
17	gallons as a receptacle for a liquid;
18	(ii) A maximum net mass greater than eight hundred
19	eighty-two pounds and a maximum capacity greater than one hundred
20	nineteen gallons as a receptacle for a solid; or
21	(iii) A water capacity greater than one thousand pounds
22	as a receptacle for a gas, pursuant to standards set forth in 49
23	<del>C.F.R. 173.115;</del>
24	(c) Farmer means a person engaged in the production or
25	raising of crops, poultry, or livestock; and

1	(d) Private motor carrier means a person or persons
2	engaged in the transportation of persons or product while in
3	commerce, but not for hire.
4	Sec. 22. Original sections 29-3608, 60-462, 60-462.01,
5	60-4,116, 60-4,131, 60-4,131.01, 60-4,132, 60-4,137, 60-4,138,
6	60-4,139, 60-4,143, 60-4,144, 60-4,145, 60-4,146, 60-4,153, 60-4,154,
7	and 60-2909.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections
8	75-363 and 75-364, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2010, are
9	repealed.