

AMENDMENTS TO LR107

Introduced by Hunt, 8.

1           1. Strike the original provisions and insert the following new  
2 provisions:

3           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED  
4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

5           1. That we hereby reaffirm our solemn oaths of office by expressing  
6 a firm resolution to maintain and defend the viability of our planet and  
7 its natural resources from the urgent existential threat of climate  
8 change and to support legislation that will move Nebraska toward a clean  
9 energy economy.

10           2. That we are greatly alarmed that a faction of state and federal  
11 legislative leaders have failed to acknowledge the established science of  
12 climate change, higher frequency of extreme weather events, and growing  
13 effects of climate change on the economy of the United States. Further,  
14 this failure by state and federal legislative leaders is a betrayal of  
15 the United States Declaration of Independence, which declares a right to  
16 "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness", which is contingent upon a  
17 habitable planet and a natural environment capable of sustaining human,  
18 animal, and plant life.

19           3. That we express distress at the Donald J. Trump presidential  
20 administration's actions to abandon protections for public lands and roll  
21 back Environmental Protection Agency rules.

22           4. That we are grateful for President Joseph R. Biden's leadership  
23 in swiftly and decisively taking action to revoke the permit for the  
24 dangerous proposed Keystone XL Pipeline construction project, which would  
25 threaten to wreak environmental havoc on its path through Nebraska and  
26 his directives issued to protect air and water quality and public lands  
27 across the nation.

1           5. That the Legislature requests cooperation from the Governor of  
2 Nebraska, the Nebraska Attorney General, the President of the United  
3 States, the President pro tempore of the United States Senate, the  
4 Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States  
5 House of Representatives, the Clerk of the United States House of  
6 Representatives, and the presiding officers of each of the legislative  
7 houses in the several states in taking decisive action to minimize the  
8 impacts of climate change we are already facing and to prevent further  
9 damage to our planet and ecosystems.

10           6. That the Clerk of the Legislature shall transmit copies of this  
11 resolution to the Governor of Nebraska, the Nebraska Attorney General,  
12 the President of the United States, the President pro tempore of the  
13 Senate, the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the  
14 United States House of Representatives, the Clerk of the United States  
15 House of Representatives, and to the presiding officers of each of the  
16 legislative houses in the several states.