THIRTIETH DAY - FEBRUARY 19, 2021

LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION

THIRTIETH DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska Friday, February 19, 2021

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Kolterman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Wayne.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., Speaker Hilgers presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Gragert, Groene, and Moser who were excused; and Senators Day, M. Hansen, and Vargas who were excused until they arrive.

SENATOR HUGHES PRESIDING

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the twenty-ninth day was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Health and Human Services

LEGISLATIVE BILL 251. Placed on General File. **LEGISLATIVE BILL 252.** Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 14. Placed on General File with amendment.

AM1

- 1 1. On page 7, line 12, after "<u>U.S.C.</u>" insert "<u>Chapters</u>".
- 2 2. On page 11, line 24, strike "licensing board" and insert
- 3 "Commission".
- 4 3. On page 11, strike beginning with "speech-" in line 29 through
- 5 "pathology" in line 30 and insert "audiology".

- 6 4. On page 16, line 29, after the comma insert "the member state
- 8 5. On page 17, line 2, strike "Take" and insert "The member state
- 9 may take"; and in line 3 strike "home state follows its" and insert
- 10 "member state follows the member state's".
 11 6. On page 23, strike beginning with "be" in line 22 through
- 12 "liability" in line 23 and insert "have no greater liability than a state
- 13 employee would have under the same or similar circumstances"; in line 25 14 after "error" insert an underscored comma; and in line 29 after "any"
- 15 insert "such".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 143. Placed on General File with amendment.

- 1 1. On page 5, lines 24 through 30, strike the new matter and insert
- 2 "Within twenty-four hours after court approval of the emergency placement
- 3 change, the department, association, or individual shall provide notice
- 4 of the placement change to all interested parties, including all of the
- 5 child's siblings that are known to the department, and, if the child is
- 6 of school age, the school where the child is enrolled and the new school
- 7 where the child will be enrolled."

LEGISLATIVE BILL 400. Placed on General File with amendment.

- 1 1. On page 2, strike line 15, and insert "of individual behavioral
- 2 health services for an established patient, when appropriate, or crisis
- 3 management and intervention for an established patient as allowed by
- 4 federal law; and"
- 5 2. On page 5, strike line 7, and insert "individual behavioral
- 6 health services for an established patient, when appropriate, or crisis
- 7 management and intervention for an established patient as allowed by
- 8 federal law;"

(Signed) John Arch, Chairperson

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Stinner filed the following amendment to LB141:

- AM260 1 1. On page 2, strike beginning with the comma in line 2 through the
- 2 comma in line 3 and insert "to the Nebraska Arts Council, for Program

Senator Kolterman filed the following amendment to LB145:

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
- 2 sections:
- 3 Section 1. Section 79-978.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 4 Supplement, 2020, is amended to read:
- 5 79-978.01 Sections 79-978 to 79-9,123 and section 3 of this act
- 6 shall be known and may be cited as the Class V School Employees
- 7 Retirement Act.
- 8 Sec. 2. Section 79-987, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 9 2020, is amended to read:
- 10 79-987 (1) Beginning January 1, 2022, it shall be the duty of the
- 11 Auditor of Public Accounts to make an annual audit of the condition of
- 12 the retirement system. The auditor shall report such audit electronically
- 13 no later than each XXXX to the board of trustees, the Nebraska Retirement

14 Systems Committee of the Legislature, and the Clerk of the Legislature 15 until January 1, 2025. Beginning January 1, 2025, the auditor shall 16 report such audit electronically no later than each XXXX to the Public 17 Employees Retirement Board and the Clerk of the Legislature. The cost of 18 the annual audits shall be paid from funds of the retirement system. The 19 Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee of the Legislature may request that 20 the Auditor of Public Accounts or the auditor's designee present the 21 findings of the annual report at a public hearing. An annual audit of the 22 affairs of the retirement system shall be conducted in each fiscal year. 23 At the option of the board of trustees, such audit may be conducted by a 24 certified public accountant or the Auditor of Public Accounts. The costs 25 of such audit shall be paid from funds of the retirement system. A copy 26 of such audit shall be filed with the Auditor of Public Accounts. 27 (2) Each audit year an annual financial audit of the investments of 1 the retirement system shall be conducted. At the option of the council, 2 such audit may be conducted by a certified public accountant or the 3 Auditor of Public Accounts. The costs of such audit shall be paid from 4 funds of the retirement system. A copy of such audit shall be filed with 5 the board of trustees and the Auditor of Public Accounts. 6 (3)(a) (3) Beginning May 1, 2017, and until May 1, 2018, if such 7 retirement plan is a defined benefit plan, the board of trustees shall 8 cause to be prepared an annual report and the administrator shall file 9 the same with the Public Employees Retirement Board and submit to the 10 members of the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee of the Legislature a 11 copy of such report. Beginning May 1, 2018, and until July 1, 2021, the 12 board of trustees shall cause to be prepared an annual report and the 13 administrator shall file the same with the Auditor of Public Accounts and 14 submit to the members of the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee of the 15 Legislature a copy of such report. The report submitted to the committee 16 and the Auditor of Public Accounts shall be submitted electronically. The 17 report shall consist of a full actuarial analysis of each such retirement 18 plan established pursuant to section 79-979. The analysis shall be 19 prepared by an independent private organization or public entity 20 employing actuaries who are members of the American Academy of Actuaries 21 and meet the academy's qualification standards to render a statement of 22 actuarial opinion, and which organization or entity has demonstrated 23 expertise to perform this type of analysis and is unrelated to any 24 organization offering investment advice or which provides investment 25 management services to the retirement plan. The report shall be presented 26 to the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee of the Legislature at a 27 public hearing. 28 (b) Beginning July 1, 2021, the board of trustees shall file with 29 the Auditor of Public Accounts an electronic copy of the annual actuarial 30 investigation of the retirement system prepared pursuant to section 31 79-984 and submit electronically a copy of such investigation to the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee of the Legislature.
 (4) Each school district with a retirement system under the Class V 3 School Employees Retirement Act shall comply with the reporting and 4 filing requirements set forth in section 13-2402. 5 Sec. 3. (1) The Legislature finds that following completion and 6 submission of the work plan by the Public Employees Retirement Board pursuant to section 79-9,121, additional issues have emerged related to 8 transfer of the management of the Class V School Employees Retirement 9 System to the Public Employees Retirement Board. Further examination and 10 evaluation are necessary and shall be completed by the entities described 11 in this section. Such additional examination and evaluation shall 12 include, but not be limited to:

13 (a) Completion of a compliance audit of the retirement system as

15 (b) Completion of the audits of the retirement system by the Auditor

14 described in this section;

- 16 of Public Accounts pursuant to subsection (1) of section 79-987; and
- 17 (c) Identification and examination of issues by the Public Employees
- 18 Retirement Board as described in subsection (8) of this section.
- 19 (2) The board of trustees shall obtain a compliance audit of the 20 retirement system to be completed no later than November 15, 2021. The
- 21 compliance audit shall be in addition to the annual audit conducted by
- 22 the Auditor of Public Accounts pursuant to subsection (1) of section
- 24 (3) The compliance audit shall include an examination of records,
- 25 files, and any other documents or resources of the retirement system and
- 26 an evaluation of all policies and procedures of the retirement system,
- 27 the school district, the board of education, and the board of trustees
- 28 related to the administration and operation of the retirement system to
- 29 determine compliance with all state and federal laws. The compliance
- 30 audit shall also include, but not be limited to, an examination and
- 31 evaluation of:
- 1 (a) Eligibility and enrollment to ensure eligible individuals are
- 2 properly and timely enrolled in the plan;
- 3 (b) Contributions, compensation, service hours, and other records to
- 4 ensure that members are making the correct contributions, that only
- 5 eligible compensation and eligible service hours are reported at the time
- 6 and in the manner specified in plan documents, and that only the
- 7 authorized interest or interest credits are being recorded;
- 8 (c) Termination of employment to ensure that only terminated members
- 9 are taking distributions from the plan at the time and in the manner
- 10 specified in the plan documents;
- 11 (d) Reemployment after retirement to ensure that retirees who
- 12 reemploy have complied with plan documents;
- 13 (e) Benefit calculations and benefit payments to ensure that the
- 14 correct benefits are calculated for members and paid on a timely basis;
- 16 (f) Disability retirements to ensure:
- 17 (i) The determination of the member's disability status and any
- 18 accrual of additional disability benefits due to deferred distribution of
- 19 such benefits are conducted in accordance with the act; and
- 20 (ii) The amount of the disability retirement benefits is correctly
- 21 calculated for members and paid on a timely basis.
- 22 (4) The examination of each of the issues listed in subsection (3)
- 23 of this section shall also include, but not be limited to, a review of:
- 24 (a) The plan documents and training that the retirement system has
- 25 provided to the employees to ensure proper compliance with the procedures
- 26 and processes;
- 27 (b) Oversight practices or processes used by the board of trustees
- 28 and administrator of the retirement system to identify whether the
- 29 employer properly followed the plan documents; and
- 30 (c) Practices and processes used by the board of trustees and
- 31 administrator of the retirement system to correct any errors made.
- 1 (5) The board of trustees, board of education, school district, and
- 2 retirement system shall provide:
- 3 (a) The compliance auditors with the documents identified in this
- 4 section and access to personnel who perform or have knowledge of duties
- 5 related to the practices, procedures, operations, and administration of
- 6 the retirement system to facilitate timely completion of the compliance
- audit; and
- 8 (b) The Auditor of Public Accounts with documents and access to
- 9 personnel as requested by the auditor to facilitate timely completion of
- 10 the audit required by subsection (1) of section 79-987.
- 11 (6) Expenses related to obtaining the compliance audit and the audit
- 12 conducted by the Auditor of Public Accounts described in subsection (1)
- 13 of section 79-987 shall be charged to the retirement system.

- 14 (7) The board of trustees shall submit an electronic copy of the
- 15 compliance audit report to the Clerk of the Legislature, the board of
- 16 education, the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee of the Legislature,
- 17 the Governor, and the Public Employees Retirement Board no later than
- 18 November 1, 2021. The compliance audit report shall be presented to the
- 19 Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee of the Legislature at a public
- 20 hearing.
- 21 (8)(a) The Public Employees Retirement Board shall identify and
- 22 examine additional issues which have emerged since the completion of the
- 23 work plan conducted pursuant to section 79-9,121. Such identification and
- 24 examination shall include, but are not limited to, issues related to the
- 25 transition and transfer of management of the Class V School Employees 26 Retirement System to the Public Employees Retirement Board and the
- 27 board's duties to administer such retirement system pursuant to section
- 28 84-1503 in a manner which will maintain the transferred retirement system
- 29 plan's status as a qualified plan and address any concerns in meeting the
- 30 Public Employees Retirement Board's fiduciary duties and responsibilities
- 31 pursuant to section 84-1503.02.
- 1 (b) The Public Employees Retirement Board may retain the services of
- 2 consultants, if necessary, to carry out its responsibilities under this
- 3 subsection.
- 4 (c) The Public Employees Retirement Board shall timely respond to
- 5 any written communications from the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee
- 6 of the Legislature regarding its ongoing examinations under this
- 7 subsection and advise the committee if additional areas of examination
- 8 related to the transfer of management as required under this section
- 9 should be addressed.
- 10 (d) The Public Employees Retirement Board may bill the employer of
- 11 any Class V school employees retirement system established under the
- 12 Class V School Employees Retirement Act on a quarterly basis as provided
- 13 in section 79-9,123 for all services and related expenses incurred in
- 14 carrying out its responsibilities under this section.
- 15 Sec. 4. Section 79-9,122, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 16 2020, is amended to read:
- 17 79-9,122 (1) The Class V School Employees Retirement System
- 18 Management Work Plan Fund is created. The purpose of the fund is to
- 19 transfer funds as specified in this section. The fund shall consist of
- 20 the amounts transferred from the employer of any Class V school employees
- 21 retirement system established under the Class V School Employees
- 22 Retirement Act and which existed on January 1, 2019, for all work
- 23 performed by the Public Employees Retirement Board for services and
- 24 related expenses in completion of the work described in section 79-9,121
- 25 and section 3 of this act. The fund shall be administered by the Nebraska
- 26 Public Employees Retirement Systems. Any money in the fund available for
- 27 investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to
- 28 the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds
- 29 Investment Act.
- 30 (2) The employer of any Class V school employees retirement system
- 31 established under the Class V School Employees Retirement Act and which
- 1 existed on January 1, 2019, shall remit the payment described in
- 2 subsection (3) of section 79-9,121 and section 3 of this act to the State 3 Treasurer for credit to the Class V School Employees Retirement System
- 4 Management Work Plan Fund for all work performed by the Public Employees
- 5 Retirement Board for services and related expenses in completion of the
- 6 work plan and for additional identification and examination of issues as
- 7 required under section 3 of this act. 8 Sec. 5. Section 79-9,123, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 9 2020, is amended to read:
- 10 79-9,123 (1) The administrator and board of trustees of any Class V
- 11 school employees retirement system established under the Class V School

- 12 Employees Retirement Act and which existed on January 1, 2019, may
- 13 quarterly bill the employer of such Class V school employees retirement
- 14 system for all work performed and expenses incurred by the administrator,
- 15 staff, and any consultants of the Class V school employees retirement
- 16 system in response to requests for records, documents, data, or other
- 17 information from the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems or the
- 18 Public Employees Retirement Board in completion of the work plan
- 19 described in section 79-9,121.
- 20 (2) The Public Employees Retirement Board may bill the employer of
- 21 the Class V school employees retirement system on a quarterly basis for
- 22 all work performed and expenses incurred pursuant to section 3 of this
- 23 act.
- 24 (3) The employer of the Class V school employees retirement system
- 25 described in this section Such employer shall remit payment within forty-
- 26 five calendar days after receipt of each quarterly bill to such Class V
- 27 school employees retirement system received pursuant to this section.
- 28 Sec. 6. Original sections 79-978.01, 79-987, 79-9,122, and
- 29 79-9,123, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2020, are repealed.
- 30 Sec. 7. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 31 passed and approved according to law.

Senator Kolterman filed the following amendment to <u>LB582</u>: AM229 is available in the Bill Room.

Senator Williams filed the following amendment to <u>LB66</u>: AM263

- 1 1. Insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 13. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 3 passed and approved according to law.

Senator Brandt filed the following amendment to <u>LB543</u>:

- <u>AM284</u>
- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new 2 sections:
- 3 Section 1. Sections 1 to 6 of this act shall be known and may be
- 4 cited as the Agricultural Equipment Right-To-Repair Act.
- 5 Sec. 2. For purposes of the Agricultural Right-To-Repair Act: 6 (1) Authorized repair provider means an individual or business who
- 7 is affiliated with an original equipment manufacturer and who has an
- 8 arrangement with the original equipment manufacturer, for a definite or
- 9 indefinite period, under which the original equipment manufacturer grants
- 10 to the individual or business a license to use a trade name, service
- 11 mark, or other proprietary identifier for the purposes of offering the
- 12 services of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of electronics-enabled
- 13 agricultural equipment under the name of the original equipment
- 14 manufacturer, or other arrangement with the original equipment
- 15 manufacturer to offer such services on behalf of the original equipment
- 16 manufacturer. An original equipment manufacturer who offers the services
- 17 of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of its own electronics-enabled
- 18 agricultural equipment, and who does not have an arrangement described in
- 19 this subsection with an affiliated individual or business, shall be
- 20 considered an authorized repair provider with respect to such equipment;
- 21 (2) Electronics-enabled agricultural equipment or equipment means
- 22 any product, part of a product, or attachment to a product, when sold or
- 23 leased for use in farming, ranching, or other agriculture, that depends
- 24 for its functioning, in whole or in part, on digital electronics embedded
- 25 in or attached to it. The term includes, but is not limited to, a
- 26 tractor, trailer, combine, tillage, planting, irrigation, or cultivating

- 27 implement, baler, unmanned aircraft system, or off-road vehicle.
- 1 Electronics-enabled agricultural equipment or equipment does not include
- 2 motor vehicles, and does not include consumer electronic devices,
- 3 including wireless communication devices and computers;
- 4 (3) Documentation means any manual, diagram, reporting output,
- 5 service code description, schematic, product guides, product service
- 6 demonstrations, training seminars, clinics, fleet management information,
- 7 connected support, mobile applications, on-board diagnostics via
- 8 diagnostics port or wireless interface, or other guidance or information
- 9 on service, parts, operation, safety, electronic field diagnostic service
- 10 tools, or training for use in effecting the services of diagnosis,
- 11 maintenance, or repair of electronics-enabled agricultural equipment;
- 12 (4) Embedded software means any programmable instructions provided
- 13 on firmware delivered with electronics-enabled agricultural equipment, or
- 14 with a part for such equipment, for purposes of equipment operation,
- 15 including all relevant patches and fixes made by the manufacturer of such
- 16 equipment or part for such purposes;
- 17 (5)(a) Fair and reasonable terms for obtaining a part, a tool,
- 18 documentation, or software means at fair and reasonable costs and terms
- 19 that do not impair the contracts and agreements between authorized repair
- 20 providers affiliated with the original equipment manufacturer. Fair and
- 21 reasonable terms shall prohibit an original equipment manufacturer and
- 22 its authorized repair providers from imposing additional cost or burden
- 23 not reasonably necessary or designed to be an impediment on the
- 24 independent repair provider or equipment owner.
- 25 (b) For software tools, fair and reasonable terms also means without
- 26 requiring authorization or Internet access, or imposing impediments to
- 27 access or use, in the course of effecting the diagnosis, maintenance, or
- 28 repair and enabling full functionality of electronics-enabled
- 29 agricultural equipment, in a manner that impairs the efficient and cost-
- 30 effective performance of any of those activities unless authorization is
- 31 required to prevent access to source code or infringement of intellectual
- 1 property in software or hardware that is owned and licensed to the
- 2 original equipment manufacturer by a third party and subject to terms of
- 4 (6) Firmware means a software program or set of instructions
- 5 programmed on electronics-enabled agricultural equipment, or on a part
- 6 for such equipment, to allow the equipment or part to communicate within
- 7 itself or with other computer hardware;
- 8 (7) Independent repair provider means an individual or business
- 9 operating in this state, who does not have an arrangement described in
- 10 subdivision (1) of this section with an original equipment manufacturer,
- 11 and who is not affiliated with any individual or business who has such an
- 12 arrangement, and who is engaged in the services of diagnosis,
- 13 maintenance, or repair of electronics-enabled agricultural equipment,
- 14 except that an original equipment manufacturer or, with respect to that
- 15 original equipment manufacturer, an individual or business who has such
- 16 an arrangement with that original equipment manufacturer, or who is
- 17 affiliated with an individual or business who has such an arrangement
- 18 with that original equipment manufacturer, shall be considered an 19 independent repair provider for purposes of those instances in which it
- 20 engages in the services of diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of
- 21 electronics-enabled agricultural equipment that is not manufactured by or
- 22 sold under the name of that original equipment manufacturer;
- 23 (8) Motor vehicle means a vehicle that is designed for transporting
- 24 persons or property on a street or highway and is certified by the
- 25 manufacturer under all applicable federal safety and emissions standards
- 26 and requirements for distribution and sale in the United States;
- 27 (9) Original equipment manufacturer means a business engaged in the
- 28 business of selling, leasing, or otherwise supplying new electronics-

- 29 enabled agricultural equipment manufactured by or on behalf of itself, to 30 any individual or business;
- $31\overline{(10)}$ Owner means an individual or business that owns or leases
- 1 electronics-enabled agricultural equipment purchased or used in this
- 3 (11) Part means any replacement part, either new or used, made 4 available by an original equipment manufacturer for purposes of effecting
- 5 the services of maintenance or repair of electronics-enabled agricultural
- 6 equipment manufactured by or on behalf of, sold or otherwise supplied by
- 7 the original equipment manufacturer;
- 8 (12) Repair means to maintain, diagnose, and repair machinery that
- 9 results in the machine being returned to its original specifications.
- 10 Repair does not include performing any activities that result in the
- 11 machine being modified outside of the original equipment manufacturer
- 12 specifications. Specifically, repair does not include the ability to:
- 13 (a) Reset an immobilizer system or security-related electronic
- 14 modules;
- 15 (b) Reprogram any electronic processing units or engine control
- 16 units and parameters;
- 17 (c) Change any equipment or engine settings that negatively affect
- 18 emissions or safety compliance; and
- 19 (d) Download or access the source code of any proprietary embedded 20 software or code;
- 21 (13) Tools means any software program, hardware implement, product
- 22 service demonstrations, training, seminars, clinics, on-board diagnostics
- 23 via diagnostics port or wireless interface, electronic field diagnostic
- 24 service tools and training on how to use them, or other apparatus used
- 25 for diagnosis, maintenance, or repair of electronics-enabled agricultural
- 26 equipment, including software or other mechanisms that provision,
- 27 program, or pair a new part, calibrate functionality, or perform any
- 28 other function required to bring the product back to specifications; and
- 29 (14) Trade secret has the same meaning as in section 87-502.
- 30 Sec. 3. For electronics-enabled agricultural equipment, and parts
- 31 for such equipment, sold or used in this state, an original equipment
- 1 manufacturer shall make available, for purposes of diagnosis,
- maintenance, or repair of such equipment, to any independent repair
- 3 provider, or to the owner of electronics-enabled agricultural equipment
- 4 manufactured by or on behalf of, or sold or otherwise supplied by, the
- 5 original equipment manufacturer, on fair and reasonable terms,
- 6 documentation, parts, and tools, inclusive of any updates to information
- 7 or embedded software. Nothing in this subsection requires an original
- 8 equipment manufacturer to make available documentation, parts, and tools
- 9 if such documentation, parts, and tools are no longer available to the 10 original equipment manufacturer.
- 11 Sec. 4. Violation of the Agricultural Right-To-Repair Act is an
- 12 unlawful practice under the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act. All
- 13 remedies, penalties, and authority granted to the Attorney General by the
- 14 Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act shall be available to the Attorney
- 15 General for the enforcement of the Agricultural Right-To-Repair Act.
- 16 Sec. 5. (1) Nothing in the Agricultural Right-To-Repair Act shall 17 be construed to require an original equipment manufacturer to divulge a
- 18 trade secret to an owner or an independent service provider except as
- 19 necessary to provide documentation, parts, and tools on fair and
- 20 reasonable terms.
- 21 (2) No provision in the Agricultural Right-To-Repair Act shall be
- 22 construed to alter the terms of any arrangement described in subdivision
- 23 (1) of section 2 of this act in force between an authorized repair
- 24 provider and an original equipment manufacturer, including, but not
- 25 limited to, the performance or provision of warranty or recall repair
- 26 work by an authorized repair provider on behalf of an original equipment

- 27 manufacturer pursuant to such arrangement, except that any provision in
- 28 such terms that purports to waive, avoid, restrict, or limit the original
- 29 equipment manufacturer's obligations to comply with the act shall be void 30 and unenforceable.
- 31 Sec. 6. The Agricultural Right-To-Repair Act applies with respect
- 1 to equipment sold or in use on or after the effective date of this act.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Health and Human Services Room 1510

Friday, February 26, 2021 9:30 a.m.

Anthony (Tony) R. Green - Division of Developmental Disabilities-Health and Human Services

Kevin Bagley - Division of Medicaid and Long Term Care-Department of Health and Human Services

(Signed) John Arch, Chairperson

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 21. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 22. Placed on Select File with amendment.

- 11. On page 1, line 6, strike "define and redefine terms" and insert
- 2 "provide, change, and eliminate definitions".
- 3 2. On page 2, line 24; and page 3, line 28, strike "director" and
- 4 insert "Director of Insurance".
 5 3. On page 4, line 22, after "annuities" insert an underscored
- 6 comma; and in line 31 after the semicolon insert "and"
- 7 4. On page 9, line 12; and page 10, lines 25 and 29, strike the
- 8 period and insert an underscored semicolon.
- 9 5. On page 12, line 10, strike the period, show as stricken, and 10 insert "; and".
- 11 6. On page 17, line 11, after "the" insert "federal".
- 12 7. On page 19, line 15, after the first comma insert "an".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 23. Placed on Select File with amendment.

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- 1 1. On page 1, line 1, strike "real property" and insert "the Real
- 2 Property Appraiser Act"; and strike beginning with "and" in line 5
- 3 through "Act" in line 6 and insert "disciplinary provisions, and scope of
- 4 practice under the act".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 66. Placed on Select File. LEGISLATIVE BILL 77. Placed on Select File.

(Signed) Terrell McKinney, Chairperson

REPORTS

Agency reports electronically filed with the Legislature can be found on the Nebraska Legislature's website.

REPORT OF REGISTERED LOBBYISTS

Following is a list of all lobbyists who have registered as of February 18, 2021, in accordance with Section 49-1481, Revised Statutes of Nebraska. Additional lobbyists who have registered will be filed weekly.

(Signed) Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature

Hrdlicka, Joseph Genentech, Inc. Kelley Plucker, LLC Coalition of Ignition Interlock Manufacturers Kissel Kohout ES Associates, LLC Exodus.io Lato, Kari Bristol Myers Squibb Co. Smoyer, Brent Professional Background Screening Association Trevino Jr., Fernando Lyft, Inc. Urdahl, Michael B. Pinpoint Holdings, Inc. Yates, Leighton Alliance for Automotive Innovation Zulkoski Weber LLC Novo Nordisk Inc.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Business and Labor Room 1524

Monday, March 1, 2021 9:30 a.m. LB172 LB207 LB441 LB480 Monday, March 1, 2021 1:30 p.m. LB512 LB594 LB632 LB667 LB241

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 106A. Pending.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 48. Introduced by Bostelman, 23.

WHEREAS, the Legislature has long recognized that it is in the best interest of the public to maintain low-cost, reliable electric service; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nebraska and other states experienced extreme cold temperatures during February of 2021; and

WHEREAS, those temperatures caused greater energy needs throughout Nebraska and surrounding states; and

WHEREAS, public power districts serving Nebraska residents participate in the Southwest Power Pool, which is a regional transmission organization; and

WHEREAS, the increased energy needs across the region served by the Southwest Power Pool caused public power districts in Nebraska to receive requests to load shed or reduce electricity usage; and

WHEREAS, residents throughout the state experienced power outages as a result of the responses from the public power districts to those requests; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the Legislature act on behalf of the residents of Nebraska to understand the circumstances and practices surrounding the power outages.

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

- 1. That the Legislature recognizes the need for an understanding of the reasons for and circumstances surrounding the interruptions in electricity to residents in the state.
- 2. That the Natural Resources Committee of the Legislature provide a report of its findings of the reasons for and circumstances surrounding the power outages experienced by Nebraskans.

Laid over.

SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Pursuant to Rule 4, Section 8, LR48 was referred to the Reference Committee.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

LB/LR Committee LR48 Natural Resources

(Signed) Dan Hughes, Chairperson Executive Board

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

Unanimous consent to add Senator(s) as cointroducer(s). No objections. So ordered.

Senator Hansen, B. name added to LB188. Senator Cavanaugh, J. name added to LB298.

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Patrick Hotovy from York.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:24 a.m., on a motion by Senator Erdman, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 23, 2021.

Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature