

FIFTY-FOURTH DAY - APRIL 6, 2022**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION****FIFTY-FOURTH DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Wednesday, April 6, 2022

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Pastor William Miller, Faith Lutheran Church, Lincoln.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator McDonnell.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., Senator Arch presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Pahls who was excused; and Senators Bostar, Briese, Day, B. Hansen, Lindstrom, McCollister, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks, Vargas, and Wayne who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the fifty-third day was approved.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 920. Considered.

Committee [AM2286](#), found on page 880 and considered on pages 1100 and 1157, was renewed.

Senator Geist renewed her amendment, [AM2337](#), found on page 871 and considered on pages 1100 and 1157, to the committee amendment.

Senator Slama withdrew her motion, [MO220](#), found and considered on page 1157, to bracket.

Senator Slama offered the following motion:

[MO221](#)

Bracket until April 20, 2022.

SENATOR WILLIAMS PRESIDING

Senator Lathrop offered the following motion:

[MO222](#)

Invoke cloture pursuant to Rule 7, Sec. 10.

Senator Lathrop moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 30 ayes, 6 nays, and 13 not voting.

Senator Lathrop requested a roll call vote on the motion to invoke cloture.

Voting in the affirmative, 26:

Aguilar	Day	Hilkemann	Morfeld	Williams
Blood	DeBoer	Hunt	Pansing Brooks	Wishart
Brandt	Dorn	Kolterman	Stinner	
Brewer	Flood	Lathrop	Vargas	
Cavanaugh, J.	Gragert	McCollister	Walz	
Cavanaugh, M.	Hansen, M.	McKinney	Wayne	

Voting in the negative, 18:

Albrecht	Erdman	Hilgers	Lowe	Sanders
Arch	Geist	Hughes	McDonnell	Slama
Bostelman	Halloran	Jacobson	Moser	
Clements	Hansen, B.	Linehan	Murman	

Present and not voting, 2:

Briese Friesen

Excused and not voting, 3:

Bostar Lindstrom Pahls

The Lathrop motion to invoke cloture failed with 26 ayes, 18 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Hunt filed the following amendments to [LB933](#):

[FA200](#)

Strike the Enacting Clause.

[FA201](#)

Strike page 3 lines 24-26.

[FA202](#)

Strike Section 9 and renumber accordingly.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 933. Title read. Considered.

Senator Hunt requested a point of order that her motion to indefinitely postpone LB933 should be considered prior to the bill title being read.

Since Senator Hunt's motion did not reference Rule 6, Sec. 3(f), the point of order was not in order.

Senator Hunt offered her motion, [MO116](#), found on page 267, to indefinitely postpone.

SENATOR HUGHES PRESIDING

Pending.

RECESS

At 12:00 p.m., on a motion by Senator Aguilar, the Legislature recessed until 1:00 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Legislature reconvened at 1:00 p.m., Senator Arch presiding.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Pahls who was excused; and Senators Bostelman, Briese, J. Cavanaugh, Dorn, B. Hansen, Hilkemann, Kolterman, Lathrop, Lindstrom, McCollister, Moser, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Slama, Stinner, and Wayne who were excused until they arrive.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 435. Introduced by Wishart, 27.

WHEREAS, the 2022 Nebraska State Debate Championships were held March 18 through March 19 in Lincoln; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Southwest High School debate team competed in the 2022 Nebraska State Debate Championships and won the Team Sweepstakes State Championship; and

WHEREAS, this was the first Team Sweepstakes State Championship for the Lincoln Southwest High School debate team; and

WHEREAS, Loc Nguyen and Anton Angeletti won the State Debate Championship in Public Forum; and

WHEREAS, the leadership of Coach Toni Heimes contributed to the success of the team; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates the Lincoln Southwest High School debate Team on winning the 2022 Nebraska State Debate Team Sweepstakes Championship and Loc Nguyen and Anton Angeletti on winning the 2022 Nebraska State Debate Public Forum Championship.

2. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Lincoln Southwest High School, Coach Toni Heimes, Loc Nguyen, and Anton Angeletti.

Laid over.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 933. Senator Hunt renewed her motion, [MO116](#), found on page 267 and considered in this day's Journal, to indefinitely postpone.

SENATOR WILLIAMS PRESIDING

PRESIDENT FOLEY PRESIDING

SENATOR ARCH PRESIDING

PRESIDENT FOLEY PRESIDING

Senator Sanders moved the previous question. The question is, "Shall the debate now close?"

Senator Flood moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 18 ayes, 3 nays, and 28 not voting.

Senator Sanders requested a roll call vote on the motion to cease debate.

Voting in the affirmative, 29:

Aguilar	Clements	Halloran	Kolterman	Sanders
Albrecht	Erdman	Hansen, B.	Linehan	Slama
Arch	Flood	Hilgers	Lowe	Stinner
Bostelman	Friesen	Hilkemann	McDonnell	Walz
Brewer	Geist	Hughes	Moser	Williams
Briese	Gragert	Jacobson	Murman	

Voting in the negative, 14:

Blood	Cavanaugh, M.	Hansen, M.	McKinney	Vargas
Bostar	Day	Hunt	Morfeld	Wishart
Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	McCollister	Pansing Brooks	

Absent and not voting, 1:

Brandt

Excused and not voting, 5:

Dorn	Lathrop	Lindstrom	Pahls	Wayne
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The motion to cease debate prevailed with 29 ayes, 14 nays, 1 absent and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

Senator Hunt requested a roll call vote on the motion to indefinitely postpone.

Voting in the affirmative, 13:

Blood	Cavanaugh, M.	Hansen, M.	Morfeld	Wishart
Bostar	Day	McCollister	Pansing Brooks	
Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	McKinney	Vargas	

Voting in the negative, 28:

Aguilar	Clements	Halloran	Kolterman	Sanders
Albrecht	Erdman	Hansen, B.	Linehan	Slama
Arch	Flood	Hilgers	Lowe	Stinner
Bostelman	Friesen	Hilkemann	McDonnell	Williams
Brewer	Geist	Hughes	Moser	
Briese	Gragert	Jacobson	Murman	

Present and not voting, 2:

Hunt	Walz
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Absent and not voting, 1:

Brandt

Excused and not voting, 5:

Dorn	Lathrop	Lindstrom	Pahls	Wayne
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The Hunt motion to indefinitely postpone failed with 13 ayes, 28 nays, 2 present and not voting, 1 absent and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Pending.

RESOLUTION(S)

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LRs 369, 381, 382, 385, and 391 were adopted.

PRESIDENT SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the President signed the following: LRs 369, 381, 382, 385, and 391.

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Friesen filed the following amendment to [LB344](#):
[AM2717](#)

(Amendments to AM1880)

- 1 1. Insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 3. This act becomes operative on July 1, 2023.
- 3 2. On page 3, strike line 31.
- 4 3. On page 4, strike lines 1 through 8; in line 9 strike "(4)" and
- 5 insert "(3) In addition to or in lieu of assessing a civil penalty as
- 6 provided in subsection (2) of this section, the State Fire Marshal may
- 7 order that a violator take and complete continuing education regarding
- 8 compliance with the One-Call Notification System Act. Such continuing
- 9 education shall be approved by the State Fire Marshal. When imposing a

10 ~~civil penalty, the State Fire Marshal~~"; reinstate the stricken matter
 11 beginning with the second stricken "shall" in line 12 through the
 12 stricken period in line 18; and in line 21 strike "(5)" and insert "(4)".
 13 4. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

Senator Wayne filed the following amendment to [LB1024](#):
[AM2731](#)

(Amendments to Final Reading copy)

- 1 1. On page 7, line 22, after "studies" insert "received by the
 2 special legislative committee".
- 3 2. On page 8, line 13, after the period insert "The department may
 4 use not more than ten million dollars of such federal funds for the
 5 administration of the Economic Recovery Act."; in line 15 strike "the
 6 Department of Economic Development shall not expend"; and in line 16
 7 after "funds" insert "shall not be expended by the Department of Economic
 8 Development".
- 9 3. On page 9, line 9, after "2024-25" insert "to provide grants
 10 under the Economic Recovery Act"; and after line 9 insert the following
 11 new subsection:
 12 "(7) The Department of Economic Development shall not use money from
 13 the General Fund to implement or administer the grants provided under the
 14 Economic Recovery Act".
- 15 4. On page 15, line 12, strike "for eligible projects"; in line 14
 16 strike "forty" and insert "thirty-five"; in line 17 strike "and"; in line
 17 20 strike the period and insert "; and"; and after line 20 insert the
 18 following new subdivision:
 19 "(c) No more than five million dollars of such federal funds for the
 20 administration by the department of funds received from the federal
 21 Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund under the federal American Rescue Plan
 22 Act of 2021".
- 23 5. On page 16, after line 1 insert the following new subsection:
 24 "(4) Priority for grants under subdivision (1)(a) of this section
 25 shall be given to a city of the metropolitan class in partnership with a
 26 nonprofit organization for eligible projects for the rehabilitation or
 1 expansion of existing multipurpose community facilities."

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following amendment to [LB1015](#):
[AM2725](#)

(Amendments to Final Reading copy)

- 1 1. On page 2, strike beginning with "economic" in line 4 through the
 2 first occurrence of "the" in line 5; and in line 6 strike the comma.

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following amendment to [LB698](#):
[AM2748](#)

(Amendments to Final Reading copy)

- 1 1. On page 4, line 10, insert "monitoring" before "device".

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following amendment to [LB809](#):
[AM2749](#)

(Amendments to Final Reading copy)

- 1 1. On page 4, lines 16, 23, and 28, strike "eight" and insert "six";
 2 and in line 28 strike "six" and insert "four".

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following amendment to [LB1015](#):
[AM2726](#)

(Amendments to Final Reading copy)

- 1 1. On page 2, strike beginning with "to" in line 3 through the comma
 2 in line 6.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 933. Senator Hunt offered the following motion:

[MO223](#)

Reconsider vote to Indefinitely Postpone.

Senator Albrecht offered the following motion:

[MO225](#)

Invoke cloture pursuant to Rule 7, Sec. 10.

Senator Albrecht moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 26 ayes, 1 nays, and 22 not voting.

Senator Albrecht requested a roll call vote, in reverse order, on the motion to invoke cloture.

Voting in the affirmative, 31:

Aguilar	Clements	Halloran	Lindstrom	Slama
Albrecht	Dorn	Hansen, B.	Linehan	Stinner
Arch	Erdman	Hilgers	Lowe	Williams
Bostelman	Flood	Hilkemann	McDonnell	
Brandt	Friesen	Hughes	Moser	
Brewer	Geist	Jacobson	Murman	
Briese	Gragert	Kolterman	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 15:

Blood	Cavanaugh, M.	Hansen, M.	McKinney	Vargas
Bostar	Day	Hunt	Morfeld	Walz
Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	McCollister	Pansing Brooks	Wishart

Excused and not voting, 3:

Lathrop	Pahls	Wayne
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The Albrecht motion to invoke cloture failed with 31 ayes, 15 nays, and 3 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Hunt filed the following amendment to [LB933](#):

[FA196](#)

Amend AM1577: On page 1, line 6 insert "by law enforcement" after "investigated" and before the comma

Senator Hunt filed the following amendment to LB933:

FA197

Amend AM1568: On page 1, line 2 insert "or drink" after "beverage" and before the next comma

Senator Hunt filed the following amendment to LB933:

FA198

Amend AM2208: Strike "Human Life Protection" and insert "Roe V. Wade Repeal"

Senator Hunt filed the following amendment to LB933:

FA199

Amend AM2207: Strike "Human Life Protection" and insert "Roe V. Wade Repeal"

Senator Blood filed the following amendment to LB933:

AM2716

1 1. Insert the following new sections:

2 Sec. 11. (1) Notwithstanding section 44-3.131, any individual or
 3 group sickness and accident insurance policy, certificate, or subscriber
 4 contract delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state, any
 5 hospital, medical, or surgical expense-incurred policy, except for
 6 policies that provide coverage for a specified disease or other limited-
 7 benefit coverage, and any self-funded employee benefit plan to the extent
 8 not preempted under federal law that includes coverage for a self-
 9 administered hormonal contraceptive that is approved by the federal Food
 10 and Drug Administration shall reimburse an in-network health care
 11 provider or dispensing entity on a per-unit basis for dispensing a supply
 12 of such contraceptives to a covered individual as follows:
 13 (a) For the first prescription of such contraceptive, at least up to
 14 a three-month supply, if so prescribed; and

15 (b) For subsequent refills of the same contraceptive, regardless of
 16 whether the covered individual was enrolled in the policy, contract, or
 17 plan at the time of the first prescription for such contraceptive, up to
 18 a six-month supply, if so prescribed.

19 (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to:

20 (a) Require a health care provider to prescribe a six-month supply
 21 of a self-administered hormonal contraceptive; or
 22 (b) Permit a policy, contract, or plan to impose cost-sharing for an
 23 alternative method of contraception if a covered individual changes
 24 contraceptive methods before exhausting a previously dispensed supply of
 25 a self-administered hormonal contraceptive.

26 (3) A policy, contract, or plan shall be exempt from this section
 27 for a policy, contract, or plan year if, using a calculation method
 1 approved by the Department of Insurance, the cost of coverage would
 2 likely exceed one percent of all premiums collected under such policy,
 3 contract, or plan for such policy, contract, or plan year.

4 Sec. 12. Section 68-901, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2021, is

5 amended to read:
 6 68-901 Sections 68-901 to 68-9.101 and section 13 of this act shall

7 be known and may be cited as the Medical Assistance Act.

8 Sec. 13. (1) In providing family planning services and supplies
 9 under the medical assistance program, the department shall ensure that a
 10 prescription for the dispensation of a covered self-administered hormonal
 11 contraceptive is provided as follows:

12 (a) For the first prescription of such contraceptive, at least up to
 13 a three-month supply, if so prescribed; and

14 (b) For subsequent refills of the same contraceptive, regardless of
 15 whether the covered individual was enrolled in the medical assistance
 16 program at the time of the first prescription for such contraceptive, up

17 to a six-month supply, if so prescribed.
 18 (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit a medical
 19 assistance recipient's freedom to choose or change the method of family
 20 planning to use, regardless of whether the recipient has exhausted a
 21 previously dispensed supply of contraceptives.
 22 2. Renumber the remaining section and correct the repealer
 23 accordingly.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 843. Senator Hunt offered the following motion:

[MO226](#)

Indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Section 3(f).

Senator Hunt withdrew her motion to indefinitely postpone.

Title read. Considered.

Committee [AM2075](#), found on page 696, was offered.

Senator Brewer offered his amendment, [AM2689](#), found on page 1120, to the committee amendment.

Senator M. Cavanaugh moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 18 ayes, 6 nays, and 25 not voting.

Senator M. Cavanaugh requested a roll call vote on the amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 45:

Aguilar	Cavanaugh, J.	Geist	Jacobson	Moser
Albrecht	Cavanaugh, M.	Gragert	Kolterman	Murman
Arch	Clements	Halloran	Lindstrom	Pansing Brooks
Blood	Day	Hansen, B.	Linehan	Sanders
Bostar	DeBoer	Hansen, M.	Lowe	Stinner
Bostelman	Dorn	Hilgers	McCollister	Vargas
Brandt	Erdman	Hilkemann	McDonnell	Walz
Brewer	Flood	Hughes	McKinney	Williams
Briese	Friesen	Hunt	Morfeld	Wishart

Voting in the negative, 0.

Excused and not voting, 4:

Lathrop	Pahls	Slama	Wayne
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The Brewer amendment was adopted with 45 ayes, 0 nays, and 4 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator J. Cavanaugh offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

[AM2139](#)

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM2075)

- 1 1. Insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 52. (1) For purposes of this section, foreign national means:
- 3 (a) An individual who is not a citizen of the United States or a
- 4 national of the United States and who is not lawfully admitted for
- 5 permanent residence;
- 6 (b) A person, other than an individual, organized under the laws of
- 7 or having its principal place of business in a foreign country;
- 8 (c) A government of a foreign country; or
- 9 (d) A political party or political committee established in a
- 10 foreign country.
- 11 (2) It shall be unlawful for a foreign national, directly or
- 12 indirectly, to make a contribution to a ballot question committee or for
- 13 a ballot question committee to solicit, accept, or receive such a
- 14 contribution.
- 15 (3) A person, other than an individual, organized under the laws of
- 16 the United States which is a domestic subsidiary of a foreign national
- 17 may make a contribution or an expenditure to support or oppose the
- 18 qualification, passage, or defeat of a ballot question ballot if:
- 19 (a) The person is a discrete entity organized under the laws of any
- 20 state within the United States and its principal place of business is
- 21 within the United States;
- 22 (b) The foreign national parent does not finance election-related
- 23 contributions or expenditures either directly or through such person,
- 24 including through subsidizing the person's business operations, unless
- 25 the person can demonstrate by a reasonable accounting method that it has
- 26 sufficient funds from its own domestic operations to make any
- 1 contributions or expenditures; and
- 2 (c) All decisions concerning the administration of the person's
- 3 contributions or expenditures are made by citizens or permanent residents
- 4 of the United States.
- 5 2. On page 51, line 28, strike "section 51" and insert "sections 51
- 6 and 52".
- 7 3. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

The J. Cavanaugh amendment was adopted with 39 ayes, 1 nay, 5 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 39 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 41 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 686. Considered.

Senator M. Cavanaugh withdrew her motion, [MO202](#), found and considered on page 1114, to bracket.

Senator M. Cavanaugh offered the following amendment:

[AM1681](#)

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new

2 sections:

3 Section 1. Section 50-401.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
4 is amended to read:

5 50-401.01 (1) The Legislative Council shall have an executive board,
6 to be known as the Executive Board of the Legislative Council, which
7 shall consist of a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and six members of
8 the Legislature, to be chosen by the Legislature at the commencement of
9 each regular session of the Legislature when the speaker is chosen, and
10 the Speaker of the Legislature. The Legislature at large shall elect two
11 of its members from legislative districts Nos. 1, ~~16~~, 17, 30, 32 to ~~35~~,
12 ~~37~~, 38, 40 to 44, 47, and 48, two from legislative districts Nos. 2, 3,
13 ~~14~~, 15, ~~46~~, 19, 21 to 29, 45, and 46, and two from legislative districts
14 Nos. 4 to ~~13~~ 44, 18, 20, 31, ~~36~~, 39, and 49. The Chairperson of the
15 Committee on Appropriations shall serve as a nonvoting ex officio member
16 of the executive board whenever the board is considering fiscal
17 administration.

18 (2) The executive board shall:

19 (a) Supervise all services and service personnel of the Legislature
20 and may employ and fix compensation and other terms of employment for
21 such personnel as may be needed to carry out the intent and activities of
22 the Legislature or of the board, unless otherwise directed by the
23 Legislature, including the adoption of policies by the executive board
24 which permit (i) the purchasing of an annuity for an employee who retires
25 or (ii) the crediting of amounts to an employee's deferred compensation
26 account under section 84-1504. The payments to or on behalf of an
27 employee may be staggered to comply with other law; and

1 (b) Appoint persons to fill the positions of Legislative Fiscal
2 Analyst, Director of Research, Revisor of Statutes, and Legislative
3 Auditor. The persons appointed to these positions shall have training and
4 experience as determined by the executive board and shall serve at the
5 pleasure of the executive board. The Legislative Performance Audit
6 Committee shall recommend the person to be appointed Legislative Auditor.
7 Their respective salaries shall be set by the executive board.

8 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the executive board
9 may contract to obtain legal, auditing, accounting, actuarial, or other
10 professional services or advice for or on behalf of the executive board,
11 the Legislative Council, the Legislature, or any member of the
12 Legislature. The providers of such services or advice shall meet or
13 exceed the minimum professional standards or requirements established or
14 specified by their respective professional organizations or licensing
15 entities or by federal law. Such contracts, the deliberations of the
16 executive board with respect to such contracts, and the work product
17 resulting from such contracts shall not be subject to review or approval
18 by any other entity of state government.

19 Sec. 2. Original section 50-401.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of
20 Nebraska, is repealed.

The M. Cavanaugh amendment lost with 10 ayes, 25 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 35 ayes, 3 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1130. Title read. Considered.

Committee [AM2206](#), found on page 859, was adopted with 33 ayes, 1 nay, 9 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 33 ayes, 1 nay, 9 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1130A. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 33 ayes, 2 nays, 8 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1150. Title read. Considered.

SENATOR HUGHES PRESIDING

Committee [AM2009](#), found on page 623, was offered.

Senator McCollister offered his amendment, [AM2236](#), found on page 795, to the committee amendment.

The McCollister amendment was adopted with 33 ayes, 0 nays, 8 present and not voting, and 8 excused and not voting.

Senator M. Hansen withdrew his amendment, [FA188](#), found on page 1008.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 34 ayes, 0 nays, 7 present and not voting, and 8 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 35 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 8 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1150A. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 33 ayes, 0 nays, 8 present and not voting, and 8 excused and not voting.

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Flood filed the following amendment to [LB843](#):
[AM2713](#)

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM2075)

- 1 1. Insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 7. Section 32-119.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 3 amended to read:
- 4 32-119.01 Voting system means the process of creating, casting, and
- 5 counting ballots and includes any software or service used in such
- 6 process.
- 7 2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the repealer and
- 8 internal references accordingly.

Senator M. Hansen filed the following amendment to [LB686](#):
[AM2296](#)

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
- 2 sections:

3 Section 1. Section 50-401.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
 4 is amended to read:
 5 50-401.01 (1) The Legislative Council shall have an executive board,
 6 to be known as the Executive Board of the Legislative Council, which
 7 shall consist of a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, and six members of
 8 the Legislature, to be chosen by the Legislature at the commencement of
 9 each regular session of the Legislature when the speaker is chosen, and
 10 the Speaker of the Legislature. The Legislature at large shall elect two
 11 of its members from legislative districts Nos. 1, ~~16, 17, 24, 33, 30, 32~~
 12 to ~~35, 37, 38, 40~~ to 44, 47, and 48, two from legislative districts Nos.
 13 2, 3, ~~14, 15, 46,~~ 19, 21, ~~22, 25~~ to 30, ~~32~~ to ~~29,~~ 45, and 46, and two
 14 from legislative districts Nos. 4 to ~~13~~ 44, 18, 20, ~~23,~~ 31, ~~36,~~ 39, and
 15 49. The Chairperson of the Committee on Appropriations shall serve as a
 16 nonvoting ex officio member of the executive board whenever the board is
 17 considering fiscal administration.
 18 (2) The executive board shall:
 19 (a) Supervise all services and service personnel of the Legislature
 20 and may employ and fix compensation and other terms of employment for
 21 such personnel as may be needed to carry out the intent and activities of
 22 the Legislature or of the board, unless otherwise directed by the
 23 Legislature, including the adoption of policies by the executive board
 24 which permit (i) the purchasing of an annuity for an employee who retires
 25 or (ii) the crediting of amounts to an employee's deferred compensation
 26 account under section 84-1504. The payments to or on behalf of an
 27 employee may be staggered to comply with other law; and
 1 (b) Appoint persons to fill the positions of Legislative Fiscal
 2 Analyst, Director of Research, Revisor of Statutes, and Legislative
 3 Auditor. The persons appointed to these positions shall have training and
 4 experience as determined by the executive board and shall serve at the
 5 pleasure of the executive board. The Legislative Performance Audit
 6 Committee shall recommend the person to be appointed Legislative Auditor.
 7 Their respective salaries shall be set by the executive board.
 8 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the executive board
 9 may contract to obtain legal, auditing, accounting, actuarial, or other
 10 professional services or advice for or on behalf of the executive board,
 11 the Legislative Council, the Legislature, or any member of the
 12 Legislature. The providers of such services or advice shall meet or
 13 exceed the minimum professional standards or requirements established or
 14 specified by their respective professional organizations or licensing
 15 entities or by federal law. Such contracts, the deliberations of the
 16 executive board with respect to such contracts, and the work product
 17 resulting from such contracts shall not be subject to review or approval
 18 by any other entity of state government.
 19 Sec. 2. Original section 50-401.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of
 20 Nebraska, is repealed.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were fourth-grade students from Gretna Elementary, Gretna; Jess Edwards, State Representative from New Hampshire; fifth- and sixth-grade students from Christ the King Catholic School, Omaha; seventh-grade students from St. Michael's School, Albion; and Anne Grimes, Director, Office of International Visitors, U.S. Department of State.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Tina Kearney of Lincoln.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:44 p.m., on a motion by Senator DeBoer, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, April 7, 2022.

Patrick J. O'Donnell
Clerk of the Legislature