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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1126

Introduced by Bosn, 25; Dungan, 26; Hughes, 24; Vargas, 7; Wishart, 27.

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Committee: Judiciary

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal justice; to create the National
- 2 Career Readiness Certificate Pilot Program within the Department of
- 3 Correctional Services; to provide duties for the department; and to
- 4 state intent regarding appropriations.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. (1) The National Career Readiness Certificate Pilot
2 Program is created. The program shall be administered by the Department
3 of Correctional Services. The department shall collaborate with
4 enterprises offering justice-involved individuals the chance to acquire
5 the National Career Readiness Certificate, a broadly recognized
6 credential substantiating key skills across various industries and roles.

7 (2) The department shall evaluate the success of the program for
8 each fiscal year and electronically submit a report of such evaluation to
9 the Clerk of the Legislature on or before June 30, 2025, and June 30,
10 2026.

11 (3) It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate five hundred
12 thousand dollars from the General Fund for each of fiscal years 2024-25
13 and 2025-26 to the department for expenditure and distribution to aid in
14 carrying out the pilot program.