ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 232

Introduced by Riepe, 12.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine regulatory restrictions and opportunities in medical education in order to strengthen the medical workforce in rural and other underserved areas of Nebraska.

The study shall include, but need not be limited to, the following:

(1) Examining regulatory restrictions and opportunities in medical education and how regulatory frameworks impact the training, placement, and long-term retention of medical professionals in rural areas and other underserved areas;

(2) Gathering and analyzing information related to accreditation standards, licensure processes, clinical training requirements, and the distribution and availability of clinical training sites across the state;

(3) Identifying specific barriers that discourage or prevent medical professionals from practicing in these communities and explore policy options, including educational incentives, financial supports, and targeted reforms, to enhance access to medical education and health care services; and

(4) Exploring legislative solutions that can improve the pipeline of health care providers serving Nebraska's rural and underserved populations.

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

1. That the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council

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