

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 401**

Introduced by Spivey, 13; McKinney, 11.

PURPOSE: To propose an interim study to examine the programs and funding structures of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice and the associated outcomes of the commission's efforts. The study is intended to support the ongoing work of the commission by reviewing program administration, fund distribution, contributions to public safety, and community-based prevention efforts across Nebraska.

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

(1) Reviewing the statutory responsibilities, organizational structure, and impacts of programs administered by the commission, including all grant programs, victim services, reentry programming, and community-based diversion programming;

(2) Examining the sources of funding administered by the commission, including federal funds, state appropriations, and other funding streams, and evaluating how these resources are allocated to support public safety and initiatives;

(3) Evaluating how the commission coordinates with state agencies, local law enforcement, counties, universities, cities of the metropolitan class, and community-based organizations to administer grant programs and implement initiatives;

(4) Reviewing outcome measures, reporting practices, and evaluation tools used by the commission to assess the effectiveness of programming;

(5) Identifying examples of successful programming and partnerships supported and impacted by the commission that can be used as best practice models; and

(6) Examining administrative processes related to grant application,

review, distribution, and oversight.

In conducting this interim study, the study committee may confer with representatives of the commission, state and local law enforcement agencies, justice-based organizations, political subdivisions, and other relevant stakeholders.

The study shall conclude with findings and recommendations, including any potential statutory or policy changes that may further strengthen the effectiveness of the commission's programs and support Nebraska's public safety goals.

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

1. That the Judiciary 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 or Legislature, no later than December 31, 2026.