

TWELFTH DAY - JANUARY 24, 2025**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION****TWELFTH DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Friday, January 24, 2025

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Pastor Joshua Jones, Beth-El Community Church, Milford.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Lonowski.

ROLL CALL

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

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Dover who was excused; and Senators Bosn, Bostar, Dungan, Hunt, and Moser who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the eleventh day was approved.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

| LB/LR | Committee |
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| LB483 | General Affairs (rereferred) |
| LB525 | Banking, Commerce and Insurance |
| LB526 | Revenue |
| LB527 | Banking, Commerce and Insurance |
| LB528 | Education |
| LB529 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB530 | Judiciary |
| LB531 | Urban Affairs |
| LB532 | Business and Labor |

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| LB533 | Banking, Commerce and Insurance |
| LB534 | Business and Labor |
| LB535 | Judiciary |
| LB536 | Banking, Commerce and Insurance |
| LB537 | Business and Labor |
| LB538 | Education |
| LB539 | Judiciary |
| LB540 | Agriculture |
| LB541 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB542 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB543 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB544 | Business and Labor |
| LB545 | Judiciary |
| LB546 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB547 | Revenue |
| LB548 | Natural Resources |
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| LB557 | Education |
| LB558 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB559 | Judiciary |
| LB560 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB561 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB562 | Natural Resources |
| LB563 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB564 | Revenue |
| LB565 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB566 | Revenue |
| LB567 | Education |
| LB568 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB569 | Health and Human Services |
| LB570 | Health and Human Services |
| LB571 | Nebraska Retirement Systems |
| LB572 | Education |
| LB573 | Business and Labor |
| LB574 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB575 | Revenue |
| LB576 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB577 | Health and Human Services |
| LB578 | Judiciary |
| LB579 | Executive Board |
| LB580 | Appropriations |
| LB581 | Appropriations |

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| LB582 | Revenue |
| LB583 | Revenue |
| LB584 | Judiciary |
| LB585 | Judiciary |
| LB586 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB587 | Judiciary |
| LB588 | Health and Human Services |
| LB589 | Education |
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| LB602 | Banking, Commerce and Insurance |
| LB603 | Health and Human Services |
| LB604 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB605 | Education |
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| LB610 | Health and Human Services |
| LB611 | Urban Affairs |
| LB612 | Judiciary |
| LB613 | Revenue |
| LB614 | Urban Affairs |
| LB615 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB616 | Judiciary |
| LB617 | Business and Labor |
| LB618 | Business and Labor |
| LB619 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB620 | Judiciary |
| LB621 | Appropriations |
| LB622 | Revenue |
| LB623 | Appropriations |
| LB624 | Appropriations |
| LB625 | Education |
| LB626 | Urban Affairs |
| LB627 | Appropriations |
| LB628 | Revenue |
| LB629 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB630 | Health and Human Services |

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| LB631 | Education |
| LB632 | Health and Human Services |
| LB633 | Education |
| LB634 | Executive Board |
| LB635 | General Affairs |
| LB636 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
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| LB638 | Agriculture |
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| LB692 | Revenue |
| LB693 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB694 | Judiciary |
| LB695 | Natural Resources |
| LB696 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB697 | Health and Human Services |
| LB698 | Business and Labor |
| LB699 | Revenue |
| LB700 | Judiciary |
| LB701 | Health and Human Services |
| LB702 | Urban Affairs |
| LB703 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |
| LB704 | Judiciary |
| LB705 | General Affairs |
| LB706 | Judiciary |
| LB707 | Revenue |
| LB708 | Education |
| LB709 | Revenue |
| LB710 | Revenue |
| LB711 | Education |
| LB712 | Revenue |
| LB713 | Nebraska Retirement Systems |
| LB714 | Transportation and Telecommunications |
| LB715 | Banking, Commerce and Insurance |
| LR27CA | Executive Board |
| LR28CA | Education |
| LR29 | Government, Military and Veterans Affairs |

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
Executive Board

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Raybould filed the following amendments to LB258:

AM14

1 1. On page 2, line 17, strike "one" and insert "two".

[AM15](#)

1 1. On page 2, line 17, strike "one" and insert "three".

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Nebraska Retirement Systems
Room 1524 12:00 PM

Friday, January 31, 2025
Patrick Bourne - Public Employees Retirement Board
Jacob Curtiss - Public Employees Retirement Board
LB295

(Signed) Beau Ballard, Chairperson

Business and Labor
Room 2102 1:30 PM

Monday, February 3, 2025
LB94
LB297
LB265
LB353
LB320

(Signed) Kathleen Kauth, 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 January 23, 2025, in accordance with Section 49-1481, Revised Statutes of Nebraska. Additional lobbyists who have registered will be filed weekly.

(Signed) Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

Amack, Angela K.
Kissel Kohout ES Associates, LLC
Blomstedt, Matthew L.
University of Nebraska
Davis, Jeffrey N.
Burlington Northern Sante Fe (BNSF) Railway Company
DeGarmo, Alexander
Alzheimer's Association
Dodge, Wesley
Represent Us Omaha/Nebraska

Eggers, Crista
NMM
Espinoza, Audra L
Center for Rural Affairs
Hannon, Bryan
Healthcare Distribution Alliance
Kelley Plucker, LLC
American Staffing Association
Kratochvil, Chris
University of Nebraska
Lindsay Harr MacDonald
Fantasy Sports Operator Coalition
Melotz, Shawn
Papio Valley Preservation Association, Inc.
Mueller Robak
Millard Roofing and Gutter Company (Withdrawn 01/22/2025)
Sugar Creek Capital
Nebraska Strategies
Philip Morris International
Radcliffe Gilbertson & Brady
American Kratom Association
Nebraska Votes
Rubin, Barry R.
Omaha Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO
Omaha Professional Firefighters Association
Simpson, Schmeeka
The Malcolm X Memorial Foundation
Wogsland, Ben
Delta Dental of Nebraska

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE(S)

Senator McKinney renewed Proposed Rule Change 1, found on page 19 and considered on pages 331 and 334.

Senator Hughes renewed her amendment to Proposed Rule Change 1, found on page 334.

Senator Hughes withdrew her amendment to Proposed Rule Change 1.

Pending.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

Senator Hansen, Chairperson of the Executive Board, reported the following appointments to Special Committees:

State-Tribal Relations Committee
 Senator Raybould (Chairperson)
 Senator DeKay (Vice Chairperson)
 Senator Guereca
 Senator Hunt
 Senator Rountree
 Senator Spivey
 Senator Meyer

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
 Legislative Council, Executive Board

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 31. Introduced by Brandt, 32.

WHEREAS, Joe Thomas Vosoba, retired lawyer, former state senator, and Czech leader, died January 15, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Joe was a founder of the Nebraska Czechs, which sponsored the Wilber Czech Festival; and

WHEREAS, Joe promoted the Czech language and culture through his efforts; and

WHEREAS, Joe volunteered to help the Czech people convert to democracy and learn English after the Velvet Revolution in Czechoslovakia; and

WHEREAS, Joe earned his Juris Doctorate and Bachelor of Science from the University of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Joe volunteered to serve in the Korean War as an infantryman in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Joe was elected to serve as state senator in 1958 and was reelected in 1960; and

WHEREAS, as a state senator, Joe introduced a constitutional amendment to permit industrial development bonds, helped pass the point system to prevent repeated traffic violations, and fought to keep billboards off the interstate highway.

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

1. That the Legislature expresses its sympathy to the friends and family of Joe Thomas Vosoba.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Joe Vosoba.

Laid over.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Revenue

LEGISLATIVE BILL 116. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 209. Placed on General File.

(Signed) R. Brad von Gillern, Chairperson

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

General Affairs
Room 1023 1:30 PM

Monday, February 3, 2025

LB478
LB33
LB186
LB178
LB113

(Signed) Rick Holdcroft, Chairperson

Health and Human Services
Room 1510 1:30 PM

Wednesday, February 5, 2025

LB274
LB248
LB154
LB374

Room 1510 1:30 PM

Thursday, February 6, 2025

LB339
LB304
LB46
LB102
LB192

Room 1510 1:30 PM

Friday, February 7, 2025

LB104
LB203
LB312
LB257

(Signed) Brian Hardin, Chairperson

WITHDRAW - Motions to LB213

Senator Holdcroft withdrew the following motions to LB213:

[MO10](#), found on page 202, to Bracket until June 10, 2025.

[MO11](#), found on page 202, to Indefinitely Postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

[MO12](#), found on page 202, to Recommit to the Education Committee.

[MO13](#), found on page 202, to Bracket until June 10, 2025.

[MO14](#), found on page 202, to Recommit to the Education Committee.

[MO15](#), found on page 202, to Indefinitely Postpone.

WITHDRAW - Motions to LB512

Senator Holdcroft withdrew the following motions to [LB512](#):

[MO16](#), found on page 276, to Recommit to the Health and Human Services Committee.

[MO17](#), found on page 276, to Recommit to the Health and Human Services Committee.

[MO18](#), found on page 276, to Indefinitely Postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

[MO19](#), found on page 276, to Indefinitely Postpone.

[MO20](#), found on page 276, to Bracket until June 10, 2025.

[MO21](#), found on page 276, to Bracket until June 10, 2025.

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE(S)

Senator McKinney renewed Proposed Rule Change 1, found on page 19, and considered on pages 331, 334, and in this day's Journal.

Senator McKinney moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 28 ayes, 0 nays, and 19 not voting, and 2 excused.

Senator Dungan requested a roll call vote on the motion to adopt Proposed Rule Change 1.

Voting in the affirmative, 16:

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| Bostar | DeBoer | Hunt | Quick |
| Cavanaugh, J. | Dungan | Juarez | Raybould |
| Cavanaugh, M. | Fredrickson | McKinney | Rountree |
| Conrad | Guereca | Prokop | Spivey |

Voting in the negative, 31:

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| Andersen | Clouse | Hughes | Meyer | Strommen |
| Arch | DeKay | Ibach | Murman | von Gillern |
| Armendariz | Dorn | Jacobson | Riepe | Wordekemper |
| Ballard | Hallstrom | Kauth | Sanders | |
| Bosn | Hansen | Lippincott | Sorrentino | |
| Brandt | Hardin | Lonowski | Storer | |
| Clements | Holdcroft | McKeon | Storm | |

Excused and not voting, 2:

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| Dover | Moser |
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The McKinney motion to adopt Proposed Rule Change 1 failed with 16 ayes, 31 nays, and 2 excused not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

MOTION - Adopt Permanent Rules

Senator Lippincott moved to adopt the permanent rules for the One Hundred Ninth Legislature, First Session and Second Session, and any special sessions held during the 2025-2026 calendar year.

The Lippincott motion to adopt the permanent rules prevailed with 33 ayes, 6 nays, 8 not voting, and 2 excused not voting.

Senator M. Cavanaugh moved to reconsider the vote taken on the adoption of the permanent rules.

The M. Cavanaugh motion to reconsider the vote taken on the adoption of the permanent rules failed with 13 ayes, 28 nays, 6 not voting, and 2 excused not voting.

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following amendment to LB13:

[AM34](#)

1 1. On page 5, line 2, strike "The" and insert "No later than July 1,
2 2026, the".

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Agriculture
Room 1023 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 4, 2025

LB245
LB394
LB375

Room 1023 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

Duane Gangwish - Nebraska Brand Committee
LB646
LB665

(Signed) Barry DeKay, Chairperson

ANNOUNCEMENT

Senator Kauth announced the Business and Labor Committee will hold an executive session Monday, January 27, 2025, immediately following the hearing in Room 2102.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

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

Senator Quick name added to LB41.
Senator Quick name added to LB42.
Senator DeKay name added to LB52.
Senator DeKay name added to LB57.
Senator Prokop name added to LB116.
Senator Hunt name added to LB151.
Senator DeKay name added to LB188.
Senator DeKay name added to LB193.
Senator DeBoer name added to LB336.
Senator DeKay name added to LB413.
Senator Andersen name added to LB550.
Senator DeKay name added to LB660.
Senator Holdcroft name added to LR21.

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Lillia Cherkasskiy, Omaha.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:48 a.m., on a motion by Senator Rountree, the Legislature adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Monday, January 27, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature