

NINETEENTH DAY - FEBRUARY 4, 2025

LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

**ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION**

NINETEENTH DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Tuesday, February 4, 2025

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Father Dale Alder, Cathedral of the Risen Christ, Lincoln.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Kauth.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 10:00 a.m., President Kelly presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Juarez who was excused; and Senators Bostar, DeBoer, Dover, Hunt, and Rountree who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the eighteenth day was approved.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Education
Room 1525 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 11, 2025

LB408
LB598
LB589
LB653
LB507

(Signed) Dave Murman, Chairperson

Appropriations
Room 1524 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 18, 2025

LB260
LB261
LB262
LB263
LB264

Note: Budget Bills Scheduled at this time for official record purposes.
Testimony on the overall budget is appropriate, However testimony on specific issues and/or agencies should be presented at the date scheduled for the relevant agency.

Room 1003 1:30 PM

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

Agency 40 - Motor Vehicle Licensing Board, Nebraska
Agency 63 - Public Accountancy, Nebraska Board of
Agency 41 - State Real Estate Commission
Agency 53 - Real Property Appraiser Board
Agency 58 - Board of Engineers and Architects
Agency 59 - Board of Geologists
Agency 66 - Abstracters Board of Examiners
Agency 73 - Landscape Architects, State Board of

Room 1003 1:30 PM

Thursday, February 20, 2025

Agency 7 - Governor
Agency 8 - Lieutenant Governor
Agency 9 - Secretary of State
Agency 10 - Auditor of Public Accounts
Agency 11 - Attorney General
Agency 87 - Accountability and Disclosure Commission

Room 1003 1:30 PM

Friday, February 21, 2025

Agency 18 - Agriculture, Department of
Agency 39 - Brand Committee, Nebraska
Agency 56 - Wheat Board, Nebraska
Agency 60 - Ethanol Board, Nebraska
Agency 61 - Dairy Industry Development Board, Nebraska
Agency 86 - Dry Bean Commission
Agency 88 - Corn Development, Utilization and Marketing Board
Agency 89 - Hemp Commission
Agency 92 - Grain Sorghum Board, Nebraska
Agency 95 - Dry Pea & Lentil Commission

LB654
Agency 52 - State Fair Board

(Signed) Robert Clements, Chairperson

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

January 23, 2025

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being appointed as members of the Nebraska Tourism Commission:

Rachel Kreikemeier, 1017 Frontier Rd, Beatrice, NE 68310, District 3
Josh Moenning, 1202 W Norfolk Avenue, Norfolk, NE 68701, District 6
Paul Younes, 6 21st Avenue Place, Kearney, NE 68845, District 8
David Fudge, 921 Otoe Trail, North Platte, NE 69101, District 9
David Wolf, 40747 CR 26, Scottsbluff, NE 69361, District 11
Courtney Dentlinger, 1309 N 30th Street, Norfolk, NE 68701, Chamber of
Commerce

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

January 23, 2025

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being reappointed as members of the Nebraska Tourism Commission:

Robert Sabin, 7818 Shirley Street, Omaha, NE 68124, District 1

Roger Kuhn, 28512 W Park Hwy, Ashland, NE 68003, District 4

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

January 23, 2025

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
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Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member the Nebraska State Fair Board:

Anna Castner Wightman, 5204 Burt Street, Omaha, NE 68132, 2nd District

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 229. Considered.

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

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

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

Voting in the affirmative, 33:

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

Voting in the negative, 8:

Cavanaugh, J.	Dungan	Hunt	Rountree
Conrad	Guereca	McKinney	Spivey

Present and not voting, 6:

Cavanaugh, M.	Fredrickson	Quick
DeBoer	Prokop	Raybould

Excused and not voting, 2:

Bostar	Juarez
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The motion to cease debate prevailed with 33 ayes, 8 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator McKinney requested a roll call vote, in reverse order, on the advancement of the bill.

Voting in the affirmative, 33:

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

Voting in the negative, 12:

Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	McKinney	Rountree
Conrad	Guereca	Prokop	Spivey
Dungan	Hunt	Quick	Wordekemper

Present and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M.	DeBoer
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Excused and not voting, 2:

Bostar Juarez

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 33 ayes, 12 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)
Health and Human Services

LEGISLATIVE BILL 118. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 148. Placed on General File.

(Signed) Brian Hardin, Chairperson

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 38. Placed on Select File with amendment.

[ER2](#)

1 1. On page 1, line 11, after the first comma insert "certificates of
2 authorization, fees, enrollment of geologist-interns, reciprocity,
3 temporary permits,".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 43. Placed on Select File with amendment.

[ER1](#)

1 1. On page 9, line 29, after "repair" insert an underscored comma.
2 2. On page 13, line 24, strike "subdivision", show as stricken, and
3 insert "subdivisions".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 91. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 167. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 51. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 52. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 72. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 85. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 182. Placed on Select File.

(Signed) Dunixi Guereca, Chairperson

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator DeBoer filed the following amendment to LB66:

[AM52](#) is available in the Bill Room.

Senator Hallstrom filed the following amendment to LB229:

[AM112](#)

1 1. On page 12, strike beginning with the period in line 23 through
2 "compensation" in line 26.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)
Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Room 1507 1:30 PM

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

LB664
LB565
LB29
LB472

Room 2102 1:30 PM

Thursday, February 13, 2025

LB403
LB560
LB346

(Signed) Rita Sanders, Chairperson

Revenue
Room 1524 1:30 PM

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

LB526

(Signed) R. Brad von Gillern, Chairperson

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 38. Introduced by Murman, 38.

WHEREAS, the 2024 Nebraska School Activities Association Class D-1 Football Championship was held on November 25, 2024, in Lincoln, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the Sandy Creek Cougars football team competed for the Class D-1 State Football Championship; and

WHEREAS, the Sandy Creek Cougars defeated the Stanton Mustangs football team 44 to 42, earning the program its first state football championship; and

WHEREAS, the Sandy Creek Cougars completed a perfect season with a record of 13-0; and

WHEREAS, Sandy Creek quarterback Ethan Shaw was named the Class D-1 Player of the Year; and

WHEREAS, such a team achievement is made possible through the support of teachers, administrators, parents, and the community; 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 NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature recognizes and congratulates the Sandy Creek Cougars football team and its coach on winning the 2024 Nebraska School Activities Association Class D-1 State Football Championship.

2. That the Legislature congratulates Ethan Shaw for being named Class D-1 Player of the Year.

3. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Sandy Creek Cougars football team, Coach Andrew Kuta, and Ethan Shaw.

Laid over.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

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

Senator Hallstrom name added to LB468.

Senator Lippincott name added to LB468.

Senator Bosn name added to LB468.

Senator Holdcroft name added to LB468.

Senator Spivey name added to LB701.

Senator Prokop name added to LR20CA.

Senator Hallstrom name added to LR21.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were Dave and Nancy Alder, Lincoln; student officer leaders representing DECA, Educators Rising, FBLA, FCCLA, FFA, HOSA, SkillsUSA; members from American Physical Therapist Association-Nebraska Chapter; Tyler Wright, Omaha; students from Friedel Academy Jewish Day School, Omaha; members of Nebraska Association of County Extension Boards.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Theresa Hatcher, Omaha.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:10 p.m., on a motion by Senator Andersen, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 5, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature