

**FIRST DAY - JANUARY 7, 2026****LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SESSION****FIRST DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska  
Wednesday, January 7, 2026

**PRAYER**

The prayer was offered by Speaker Arch.

**PRESENTATION OF COLORS**

Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska State Patrol-Headquarters Troop Honor Guard.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Murman.

**ROLL CALL**

Pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 10 of the Constitution of Nebraska, the One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026 of the Legislature of Nebraska assembled in the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber of the State Capitol at the hour of 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, January 7, 2026, and was called to order by President Kelly.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Andersen, Bob	Fredrickson, John	Moser, Mike
Arch, John	Guereca, Dunixi	Murman, Dave
Armendariz, Christy	Hallstrom, Bob	Prokop, Jason
Ballard, Beau	Hansen, Ben	Quick, Dan
Bosn, Carolyn	Hardin, Brian	Raybould, Jane
Bostar, Eliot	Holdcroft, Rick	Riepe, Merv
Brandt, Tom	Hunt, Megan	Rountree, Victor
Cavanaugh, John	Ibach, Teresa	Sanders, Rita
Cavanaugh, Machaela	Jacobson, Mike	Sorrentino, Tony
Clements, Robert	Juarez, Margo	Spivey, Ashlei
Clouse, Stan	Kauth, Kathleen	Storer, Tanya
Conrad, Danielle	Lippincott, Loren	Storm, Jared

DeBoer, Wendy	Lonowski, Dan	Strommen, Paul
DeKay, Barry	McKeon, Dan	von Gillern, R. Brad
Dorn, Myron	McKinney, Terrell	Wordekemper, Dave
Dover, Robert	Meyer, Glen	
Dungan, George		

The following members were excused:

Hughes, Jana

### CERTIFICATE

State of Nebraska

United States of America,	)	Secretary of State
	) ss.	State Capitol
State of Nebraska	)	Lincoln, Nebraska

I, Robert B. Evnen, Secretary of State of the State of Nebraska do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the Official Roster of members of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature elected to serve in the One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026.

Further, I hereby certify that the members so listed on the Official Roster attached hereto are the duly elected members of the Unicameral Legislature in the State of Nebraska for the One Hundred Ninth Legislature, Second Session, 2026.

Finally, I hereby certify that all election returns, abstracts, and canvasses with reference to said members are on file in the office of the Secretary of State and are a matter of public record.

Nothing further is certified.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska on this date of January 7, 2026.

(SEAL)	(Signed) Robert B. Evnen
	Secretary of State

DISTRICT/NAME	ELECTED
1 Robert Hallstrom	November 5, 2024
2 Robert Clements	November 8, 2022
3 Victor Rountree	November 5, 2024
4 R. Brad von Gillern	November 8, 2022
5 Margo R. Juarez	November 5, 2024
6 Machaela Cavanaugh	November 8, 2022
7 Dunixi Guereca	November 5, 2024
8 Megan Hunt	November 8, 2022

9	John Cavanaugh, Jr.	November 5, 2024
10	Wendy DeBoer	November 8, 2022
11	Terrell McKinney	November 5, 2024
12	Merv Riepe	November 8, 2022
13	Ashlei Spivey	November 5, 2024
14	John Arch	November 8, 2022
15	Dave Wordekemper	November 5, 2024
16	Ben Hansen	November 8, 2022
17	Glen Meyer	November 5, 2024
18	Christy Armendariz	November 8, 2022
19	Rob Dover	November 5, 2024
20	John A. Fredrickson	November 8, 2022
21	Beau Ballard	November 5, 2024
22	Mike Moser	November 8, 2022
23	Jared Storm	November 5, 2024
24	Jana Hughes	November 8, 2022
25	Carolyn Bosn	November 5, 2024
26	George C. Dungan III	November 8, 2022
27	Jason Prokop	November 5, 2024
28	Jane Raybould	November 8, 2022
29	Eliot Bostar	November 5, 2024
30	Myron Dorn	November 8, 2022
31	Kathleen Kauth	November 5, 2024
32	Tom Brandt	November 8, 2022
33	Dan Lonowski	November 5, 2024
34	Loren Lippincott	November 8, 2022
35	Dan Quick	November 5, 2024
36	Rick Holdcroft	November 8, 2022
37	Stanley Clouse	November 5, 2024
38	Dave Murman	November 8, 2022
39	Tony Sorrentino	November 5, 2024
40	Barry DeKay	November 8, 2022
41	Daniel D. McKeon	November 5, 2024
42	Mike Jacobson	November 8, 2022
43	Tanya Storer	November 5, 2024
44	Teresa J. Ibach	November 8, 2022
45	Rita Sanders	November 5, 2024
46	Danielle Conrad	November 8, 2022
47	Paul E. Strommen	November 5, 2024
48	Brian Hardin	November 8, 2022
49	Bob Andersen	November 5, 2024

**MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR**

June 18, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission effective June 18, 2025:

John Michael Coffey, 3215 N 135<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE 68164, Member

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

June 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 Commission on Problem Gambling:

Susan Lutz, 2101 W Eisenhower Ave, Norfolk, NE 68701, Banking &  
Finance

Matthew Monheiser, 107 Virginia Lane, Sidney, NE 69162, At Large

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

June 26, 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 individual is being appointed as Chair of the Nebraska Board of Parole:

Janee Pannkuk, 4316 Grover Street, Omaha, NE 68105

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Background information is included for your review.

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

July 9, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Environmental Trust Board-District #2:

Garfield Coleman, 19709 I Street, Omaha, NE 68135

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

July 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 Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board:

Matthew B O'Daniel, 20725 Country Road 38, Arlington, NE 68002, New Car Dealer-District 2  
Bradford L Jacobs, 1404 Kendall Street, St Paul, NE 68873, Trailer Dealer  
Clint Jones, 46341 N 400<sup>th</sup> Ave, Genoa, NE 68640, Used Car Dealer-District 3  
Thomas R McCaslin, 1740 N D Street, Broken Bow, NE 68822, New Car Dealer-District 3  
Chad T Tessman, 125 E Liberty Drive, Henderson, NE 68467-Used Car Dealer-District 1

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

July 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 Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board:

Steven J. Matus, 1118 Hutchins Ave - #6, York, NE 68467-Manufacturer  
Blake H Dillon, 6006 N 292<sup>nd</sup> Cir, Valley, NE 68064-Motorcycle Dealer  
Dennis Butler, 2119 Stone Creek Loop N, Lincoln, NE 68512-Public Member  
Mike Anderson, 568 Sandy Pointe Place, Ashland, NE 68003-New Car Dealer-District 1

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

July 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission:

Scott Dicke, 504 Brown Street, Alma, NE 68920, Surface Water Irrigator

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

August 5, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission:

Tracy Zamora, 314 West Nebraska Street, Pierce, NE 68767, Rural Nursing Home Administrator

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

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August 11, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission:

Scott Cassels, 1303 N 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Omaha, NE 68154, At Large-  
Republican

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

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August 11, 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 Crime Victim's Reparations Committee:

Christon MacTaggart, 1005 Jacqueline Drive, Papillion, NE 68046,  
Charitable Organization  
Kathleen Bauer, 1415 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Ogallala, NE 69153, Experience with  
victims of sexual assault and human trafficking  
Kendra Bryant, 1701 S 48<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, NE 68506, Victim

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures



August 14, 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 Ethanol Board:

Scott B. McPheeters, 26118 S McNickle Road, Gothenburg, NE 69138,  
Business/Independent  
Taylor Nelson, 831 137<sup>th</sup> Street, South Sioux City, NE 68776, Corn  
Grower/Democrat

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

August 27, 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 individual is being reappointed as a member of the Nebraska Board of Parole:

Mark T Langan, 12809 Deer Creek Drive, Omaha, NE 68142, Member

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

September 9, 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 Technical Advisory Board on Statewide Assessment:

Joshua Fields, EdD, 429 East Pinewood Avenue, Seward, NE 68434, School Administrator  
Chad W Buckendahl, PhD, 11035 Lavender Hill Dr - #160-433, Las Vegas, NV 89135, National Expert

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

September 9, 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 Arts Council:

Crystal Dunning, 1541 S Street, Lincoln, NE 68508, District 1  
Brenda Davis, 807 N 7<sup>th</sup>, Beatrice, NE 68310, District 3  
Shari Hofschire, 2024 South 86 Avenue, Omaha, NE 68124, District 2

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

September 9, 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 Arts Council:

Lori Williams, 1111 W Nebraska Avenue, Norfolk, NE 68701, District 1  
Timothy Jeffrey, 5211 Cass Street, Omaha, NE 68132, District 2

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

September 18, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Crime Victim's Reparations Committee:

G Randall Hansen, 2303 S 154 Circle, Omaha, NE 68144, Public  
Member/At-Large

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

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September 22, 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 State Electrical Board:

Tyler C Ritz, 6216 E Cedar Hills Pl, Kearney, NE 68845, Inspector  
Boyd L Pedersen, 51976 Hwy 275, Clearwater, NE 68726, Electrical  
Contractor

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

September 25, 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 State Board of Health:

Mark Bertch, 3535 N 152 Circle, Omaha, NE 68116, Physical Therapist  
Dr. Jamie Dodge, 7331 S 64 Cir, Lincoln, NE 68514, Physician  
Patricia Kucera, 6222 Ponderosa Drive, Omaha, NE 68137, Registered  
Nurse/Nurse Practitioner  
David Reese, 1830 Devoe Drive, Lincoln, NE 68506  
Dan Vehle, 17831 Englewood Circle, Omaha, NE 68135

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

September 25, 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 State Board of Health:

Ryan Palmer, 13549 Spring Ridge Loop, Blair, NE 68008, Optometrist  
Jeremiah Rethwisch, 6447 Pine Ridge Road, Elkhorn, NE 68022,  
Chiropractor  
Jacob Sikes, 123 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Riverdale, NE 69970, Public Member

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

September 25, 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 individual is being reappointed as a member of the Nebraska Investment Council:

Keith Olson, 13024 Hawthorne Ct, Omaha, NE 68154, Member

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

September 25, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Brand Committee:

Susan J Connell, 510 Kramer Road, Hyannis, NE 69350, Rancher

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

September 25, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Ethanol Board:

Jamie Bearup, 4601 West Peach Street, Lincoln, NE 68522, Labor-Democrat

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

October 1, 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 Oil and Gas Commission:

Dallen R Juelfs, 742 Valley View Drive, Scottsbluff, NE 69361, Member  
Steve Mattoon, 907 Jackson Street, Sidney, NE 69162, Member with oil and gas production experience

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

October 7, 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 individual is being appointed as the State Fire Marshall:

Douglas Hohbein, 8915 S 75<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, NE 68516

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

October 24, 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 individual is being reappointed as a member of the Board of Educational Lands and Funds:

Jon Abegglen, 3114 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Kearney, NE 69945, At-Large Member

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

November 18, 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 individual is being appointed as Director of the Department of Economic Development:

Maureen Larsen, 245 Fallbrook Blvd, Lincoln, NE 68521

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



November 18, 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 to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission:

James A Elworth, 219 N 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Nebraska City, NE 68410, 3<sup>rd</sup> District-  
Republican  
Robert (Bud) Synhorst, 2601 Piccadilly Ct, Lincoln, NE 68512, 1<sup>st</sup> District-  
Republican

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

December 4, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the State Fair Board:

Mark Hesser, 2111 The Knolls, Lincoln, NE 68512, Business Community-  
1<sup>st</sup> 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

December 10, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission:

Jim Ulrich, 1313 Road N, York, NE 68467, Rural Hospital Administrator

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

December 10, 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 Rural Health Advisory Commission:

Kate Hesser, MD, 1805 Saint Andrews Drive, Crete, NE 68333, Rural Physician  
Katherine Kusek, DDS, 407 S 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Albion, NE 68620, Rural Dentist  
Myra Stoney, 38081 Skylark Trail, McCook, NE 69001, Rural Consumer  
April Dexter, 84866 477<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Amelia, NE 68711, Rural Nurse

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

December 17, 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 individual is being appointed as Director of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services-Division of Public Health:

Ashley Newmyer, 2100 Blossom Place, Crete, NE 68333

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

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December 18, 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 individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission:

Makayla Brockhaus, MD, 1604 Hengstler Avenue, Creighton, NE 68729,  
Family Practice Resident

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

December 29, 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 Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired:

Cheryl Livingston, 1026 S 35<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, NE 68510, Blind  
Linda Mentink, 3313 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Columbus, NE 68601, Blind

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

December 29, 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 Environmental Quality Council:

Bradley Bird, 12018 County Road P30, Blair, NE 68008, Labor  
Tassia Falcon da Silva Steidley, 5811 Kennelley Ct, Lincoln, NE 68516,  
Minority Populations  
Lance Hedquist, 905 East 29<sup>th</sup> Street, South Sioux City, NE 68776,  
Municipal Government  
Amy Staples, 79568 Summer Road, Broken Bow, NE 68822, Biologist  
Lynn Mayhew, 2003 W Highway 34, Grand Island, NE 68801, Power  
Generating Industry  
Keven Peterson, 13010 K Road, Osceola, NE 68651, Agriculture Active in  
Crop Production  
Alden Zuhlke, 86033 527 Avenue, Brunswick, NE 68720, Livestock  
Industry

Jessica Kolterman, 1059 Plainview, Seward, NE 68434, Food Products  
Manufacturing

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

December 29, 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 individual is being  
reappointed as a member of the Tax Equalization and Review Commission:

James D Kuhn, 4511 E Bismark, Grand Island, NE 68801, 3<sup>rd</sup> District-  
Appraiser

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

December 29, 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 individual is being  
reappointed as a member of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission:

Douglas A Zingula, 524 Sawlog Road, Crawford, NE 69339, District 7-  
Republican

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your  
consideration. Background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

December 29, 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 Coordinating Commission for  
Postsecondary Education:

Paul J Von Behren, 2046 East 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Fremont, NE 68025, Supreme  
Court District #3  
William Wilson, 9406 Clubhouse Circle, Plattsmouth, NE 68048, At-Large

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

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

**MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE**

November 10, 2025

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

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

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual has been appointed as a member of the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission effective July 23, 2025:

J.L. Spray  
Lincoln, NE

The appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. A copy of Mr. Spray's resume is enclosed for your review.

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Robert B. Evnen  
Secretary of State

Enclosure

### **COMMUNICATION(S)**

Pursuant to 84-104.05 R.R.S. of Nebraska Senator Conrad and Senator Riepe read a proclamation declaring January 5, 2026, as George W. Norris Day.

Received a copy of SJ3 from the state of Montana relating to a Joint Resolution of the Senate and the House of Representatives urging the United States Congress to revise commercial driver's license laws.

Received a copy of SJ9 from the state of Montana relating to a Joint Resolution of the Senate and the House of Representatives declaring that the fiscal and monetary policies of the federal government are harming the people of Montana and the United States, and urging Congress to discipline itself and address the ongoing deficits and debt of the United States before there is no longer any remedy to avoid hyperinflation or a default on the debt of this country.

### **POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE**

Senator Hansen was recognized for a point of personal privilege regarding the Investigative Report Concerning June 2, 2025 Workplace Complaint. This Report can be obtained by contacting the Chair of the Executive Board.

### **RESOLUTION(S)**

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 282.** Introduced by Executive Board Committee: Hansen, 16, Chairperson; Arch, 14; Ballard, 21; Bostar, 29; Dorn, 30; Fredrickson, 20; Ibach, 44; Jacobson, 42; McKinney, 11.

WHEREAS, on September 3rd, 2025, a Special Personnel Panel was formed to address a formal complaint of workplace harassment against the

Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, including the hiring of outside counsel to conduct an investigation into the complaint, in accordance with the Nebraska Legislature's Workplace Harassment Policy; and

WHEREAS, the investigation found that the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, made an inappropriate sexual remark to a female staff member at a work-related party, in violation of the Nebraska Legislature's Workplace Harassment Policy, which defines sexual harassment to include sexually oriented jokes, stories, or discussions; and

WHEREAS, the investigation found that the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, inappropriately touched a female staff member at a work-related party, violating the Nebraska Legislature's Workplace Harassment Policy, which defines sexual harassment to include intentionally brushing up against a person; and

WHEREAS, following a staff member's complaint of sexual harassment, the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, violated the directive of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council to have no further contact with the complainant by attending staff events on the evening the directive was issued; and

WHEREAS, on or about August 7th, 2025, the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, engaged in retaliatory conduct in violation of the Nebraska Legislature's Workplace Harassment Policy on retaliation by texting a colleague and insinuating that the complainant was "difficult to work with"; and

WHEREAS, the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, has created the perception of a hostile workplace not suitable for fulfilling the constitutional duties of the Legislature, as evidenced by staff from other senators expressing fear of being in the same hallway or having offices near his, thereby disrupting the collaborative environment essential to legislative operations; and

WHEREAS, the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, has made public statements at various county-level political party events minimizing his actions, claiming "nothing happened," that it is "not a big deal," and attributing scrutiny to others being "out to get him," which further demonstrates a lack of accountability and remorse; and

WHEREAS, the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, has indicated an intention to continue engaging in behavior that violates the Legislature's established policies, including an official statement that he "might still occasionally have a bad joke slip out"; and that those who would take offense to such flippant behavior are "eggshells" who "should avoid me, not engage in the conversation"; and

WHEREAS, the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, is alleged to have engaged in inappropriate conduct during his first week in office, including making jokes involving the sexual function of a male in the presence of two female staffers, which although not formalized as a complaint, demonstrated an early pattern of behavior violating the Nebraska Legislature's workplace policies on harassment and decorum; and

WHEREAS, there are additional confidential complaints pending before the Executive Board alleging that the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan



McKeon, has used unprofessional and inappropriate language to describe colleagues, as well as individuals of other races, in a manner unbecoming of a member of the Nebraska Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the formal investigation and the aforementioned additional examples indicate that the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, has engaged in a pattern of improper behavior and lack of accountability that is unbecoming of a member of the Nebraska Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the conduct of the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, has brought the Legislature into disrespect and disrepute and has shaken the confidence of fellow members of the Legislature that the Senator from District 41 would be able to refrain from continued activity that is contrary to senatorial traditions of decorum and from actions that are in violation of the Nebraska Legislature's established policies; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Board met on Saturday, December 13th, 2025, and unanimously recommended that the Senator from District 41, Senator Dan McKeon, be expelled from the Nebraska Legislature for a pattern of improper behavior and lack of accountability that is unbecoming of a member of the Nebraska Legislature.

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

1. That the Senator from the 41st Legislative District, Senator Dan McKeon, is hereby expelled from the Nebraska Legislature for a pattern of improper behavior and lack of accountability for said behavior, pursuant to Article III, section 10, of the Constitution of Nebraska and Rule 2, section 6, of the Rules of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature, which require a two-thirds vote of all members elected for expulsion of a member of the Legislature.

2. That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Jim Pillen, for purposes of filling the vacancy hereby created in the 41st Legislative District.

Laid over.

#### **SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENT**

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 8, LR282 was referred to the Reference Committee.

#### **BILLS ON FIRST READING**

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 716.** Introduced by Executive Board: Hansen, 16, Chairperson.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to amend sections 72-816 and 81-829.33, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 71-5661, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to repeal the Next Generation Business Growth Act which terminated January 1, 2017; to

repeal obsolete provisions relating to the Rural Health Opportunities Loan Pool Fund; to repeal sections that terminated July 1, 2015, regarding the Nebraska Army National Guard complex; to repeal obsolete appropriation provisions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 50-301, 50-302, 50-303, 50-304, 50-305, 50-306, 71-5670.01, 90-267, 90-268, 90-269, 90-270, and 90-563, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 90-562, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 717.** Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banking and finance; to amend sections 8-1,124, 8-1502, 8-2102, and 45-741, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 8-3003, 8-3013, 45-735, and 45-737, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, sections 8-135, 8-141, 8-143.01, 8-157.01, 8-183.04, 8-1,140, 8-318, 8-355, 8-1101, 8-1101.01, 8-1704, 8-1707, 8-2742, 8-2903, 8-3005, 8-3007, 8-3033, 8-3034, 21-17,102, 21-17,115, 45-101.04, 45-335, 45-345, 45-349, 45-364, 59-1722, and 69-2103, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, and section 4A-108, Uniform Commercial Code, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to adopt updates to federal law; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to notice of control of certain banks and trust companies, capital and surplus requirements for digital asset depository institutions, the maximum general interest rate on certain loans, installment loans, mortgage loan originators, and mortgage bankers; to change references to the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act in the Controllable Electronic Record Fraud Prevention Act; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 718.** Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to certified public accountants; to amend sections 1-114, 1-117, 1-125.01, 1-137, and 1-148, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 1-116, 1-124, and 1-136.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to change examination requirements; to change requirements for the practice of certified public accountants credentialed outside of Nebraska; to change and eliminate permitting requirements; to change provisions relating to disciplinary actions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 1-136.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 719.** Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Rural Projects Act; to amend section 81-12,203, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 720.** Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to body art licensure; to amend section 38-1001, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to create a temporary event license for body artists attending certain events; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 721.** Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Grant Program; to amend section 81-3145, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions related to eligibility for grants as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 722.** Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to behavioral health services; to amend section 71-812, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to allow use of the Behavioral Health Services Fund for individuals with substance use disorder as prescribed; to define a term; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 723.** Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to state Legislative intent; to provide requirements for the Department of Health and Human Services relating to community engagement; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 724.** Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to behavioral health care services; to amend section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to conduct a cost study as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 725.** Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the State Electrical Act; to amend sections 81-2102, 81-2107, 81-2108, 81-2109, 81-2112.02, 81-2113, 81-2117.02, 81-2118, 81-2121, 81-2134, 81-2135, and 81-2144, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine terms; to change provisions relating to licenses; to change provisions relating to fees; to change provisions relating to inspections; to change provisions relating to directional boring or knifing; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 726.** Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the State Electrical Act; to amend section 81-2104, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to update references to the National Electrical Code as provided; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 727.** Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to authorize law enforcement agencies to obtain, maintain, and possess epinephrine autoinjectors for use by a law enforcement officer as prescribed; to require training; and to provide powers and duties to the Department of Health and Human Services.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 728.** Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to companies; to define terms; to require that proxy advisors disclose whether a written financial analysis was used for proxy services; to provide for enforcement under the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act; and to provide a civil cause of action.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 729.** Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to biometric data; to adopt the Biometric Autonomy Liberty Law; and to provide an operative date.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 730.** Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to define terms; to require public schools, public postsecondary educational institutions, and state agencies to designate restrooms and locker rooms based on sex and prohibit use by the opposite sex as prescribed; and to require each state agency to define an individuals sex as either male or female for purposes of rules and regulations, the enforcement of administrative actions, and the adjudication of disputes as prescribed.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 731.** Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend section 25-222, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 71-7307, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Gender Transition Malpractice Accountability Act; to require insurance coverage for certain treatments and procedures arising as a result of a gender-altering procedure as prescribed; to provide an exemption to the time limitation to commence certain actions relating to professional negligence; to change provisions relating to civil actions under the Let Them Grow Act; to provide an operative date; to provide severability; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 732.** Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend sections 71-7301, 71-7303, 71-7304, 71-7305, and 71-7307, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the Let Them Grow Act; to define terms; to prohibit health care practitioners from providing cross-sex hormones and puberty blockers to individuals younger than nineteen years of age as prescribed; to provide powers and duties to the Attorney General; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 733.** Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Health and Human Services; to amend sections 81-3113, 81-3116, 83-1201, 83-1204, and 83-1206, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 43-4413, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections 68-1530 and 81-1316, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change the name of the Division of Developmental Disabilities of the Department of Health and Human Services to the Division of Disability and Aging of the Department of Health and Human Services; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 81-3133.02, 81-3134, 83-1216.02, 83-1227, and 83-1228, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 734.** Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to amend section 68-1017.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to apply for a waiver of work requirements for certain individuals; to eliminate provisions relating to work requirements as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 735.** Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to respiratory care; to amend section 38-3208, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 38-131, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to adopt the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact; to require certain criminal background checks under the Uniform Credentialing Act; to change provisions relating to the practice of respiratory care; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 736.** Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend sections 38-404 and 38-409, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 38-131, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to adopt the Athletic Trainer Compact; to provide for criminal background checks; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

**REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

<b>LB/LR</b>	<b>Committee</b>
LR282	Executive Board

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson  
Executive Board

**MOTION(S) - Print in Journal**

Senator Hansen offered the following motion:  
Suspend Rule 3, Sec. 14, to permit scheduling of a public hearing on January 12, 2026, by the Executive Board.

**BILLS ON FIRST READING**

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 737.** Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to persons with developmental disabilities; to amend section 81-6,122, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require a joint public hearing and report for evaluation of the progress of the Olmstead plan as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 738.** Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to license plates; to amend section 60-3,163.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to provide for Honoring Women Veterans license plates; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 739.** Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil procedure; to amend section 25-21,271, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change notice requirements for petitions to change an individual's name; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 740.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to housing; to adopt the Housing First Supportive Services Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 741.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to amend section 20-506, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 43-4202, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the membership of the Racial Profiling Advisory Committee and the Nebraska Children's Commission; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 742.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to require policies allowing a student in seventh or eighth grade to participate in high school sports as prescribed; to provide powers and duties to school boards and governing authorities of private, denominational, and parochial schools; to provide powers and duties to the State Board of Education; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 743.** Introduced by Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Police Officers Retirement Act; to amend section 16-1007, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to optional benefit forms; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 744.** Introduced by Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to first responders; to amend section 71-7113, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 48-101.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to include public safety communications personnel in certain provisions of the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act and the Critical Incident Stress Management Act; to define and redefine terms; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 745.** Introduced by Juarez, 5; Cavanaugh M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend section 79-730, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the requirements for a diploma of high school equivalency; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 746.** Introduced by Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Population Health Information Act; to amend section 81-6,125, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate obsolete provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 747.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to labor; to amend sections 48-309, 48-1231, 48-1233, 48-1234, and 48-2905, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 29-431, 48-302, 48-303, and 48-2107, Revised

Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to child labor; to change penalty provisions and provide powers to the Commissioner of Labor under the Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection Act; to change provisions relating to fees under the Contractor Registration Act; to provide powers to the Commissioner of Labor and eliminate the hotline and website for reporting suspected violations under the Employee Classification Act; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 48-307, 48-2906, and 48-2909, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 748.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-1416, 77-1417, 77-1419, 77-1420, 77-1422, and 77-1427, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to the Nebraska educational savings plan trust and allow for the use of trust funds for recognized postsecondary credential programs as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 749.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to aid to municipalities; to amend section 77-27,139.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the calculation of tax levies for state aid purposes; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 750.** Introduced by Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Health Care Facility Licensure Act; to amend section 71-401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to state legislative intent relating to reimbursement for PACE program services; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 751.** Introduced by Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska State Patrol; to require a report on missing Black women and children in Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 752.** Introduced by Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent regarding appropriations for the Department of Correctional Services.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 753.** Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Protection Orders Act; to amend sections 26-101, 26-102, and 26-112, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to provide duties for peace officers relating to military protective orders; to provide that such orders shall be admissible in proceedings under the act; to



define a term; to eliminate an unnecessary definition; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 754.** Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to explosives; to amend section 28-1229, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 28-1239.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to permits issued by the Nebraska State Patrol for the storage, use, or purchase of explosives; to change provisions relating to application requirements to obtain a display permit for display fireworks from the State Fire Marshal; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 755.** Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to emergency medical services; to adopt the Emergency Service Peer Support Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 756.** Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 60-3,189, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-3,185 and 77-202.24, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change a motor vehicle tax exemption and a property tax exemption relating to certain disabled veterans; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 757.** Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2704.28, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide a sales and use tax exemption for the purchase of an aircraft to be leased between related companies; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 758.** Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to transfers on death; to amend section 30-2715, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to nontestamentary transfers; to provide a method for a beneficiary charitable organization to receive property or information as prescribed; to create a right of action; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 759.** Introduced by Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment; to amend sections 81-1586, 81-1587, 81-15,102, 81-15,123, 81-15,124.01, 81-15,124.02, and 81-15,196, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 46-1217, 58-712, 61-303, 73-813, 81-1561,

81-15,313, and 81-15,315, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change the composition of the Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Board; to harmonize references regarding the department with changes made by Laws 2025, LB317; to provide authority relating to the Perkins County Canal Project Act; to provide a remedy; to redefine terms; to change provisions relating to the allocation and distribution of funds from the Nebraska Litter Reduction and Recycling Fund; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 760.** Introduced by Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Environmental Safety Act; to amend sections 81-15,261, 81-15,265, 81-15,267, 81-15,268, 81-15,270, 81-15,273, 81-15,274, 81-15,275, 81-15,277, 81-15,288, 81-15,289, and 81-15,291, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 81-502, 81-15,262, 81-15,263, and 81-15,300, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to restate findings; to define a term; to change provisions regarding authority of the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment relating to the regulation of swimming pools, recreation camps, and mobile home parks; to provide authority to counties, cities, and villages to regulate swimming pools, recreation camps, and mobile home parks; to change and eliminate provisions relating to swimming pools, recreation camps, and mobile home parks; to eliminate provisions relating to a private water supply and private sewage disposal facilities; to eliminate the Environmental Safety Cash Fund; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 81-15,266, 81-15,269, 81-15,272, 81-15,276, 81-15,280, 81-15,281, 81-15,282, 81-15,283, 81-15,284, 81-15,285, 81-15,286, 81-15,287, and 81-15,290, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 81-15,292 and 81-15,299, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 761.** Introduced by Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment; to amend sections 13-2041, 54-2428, 81-1505, and 81-1532, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 46-606, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change the use of the Integrated Solid Waste Management Cash Fund and the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment Cash Fund; to provide for and change provisions related to fees related to water wells and hazardous waste management; to create a fund; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 762.** Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to define terms; to require coverage for treatment of certain pediatric autoimmune disorders; to require a report; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 763.** Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Treatment and Corrections Act; to amend section 83-196, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide an exemption from the Open Meetings Act for certain gatherings of members of the Board of Parole; to provide duties for the board; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 764.** Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to amend section 81-1401, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to redefine a term; to provide for certain Department of Correctional Services employees to be law enforcement officers; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 765.** Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to school district bonds; to amend section 10-702, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 13-809, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the issuance of school district bonds and bonds issued by a joint entity that includes a Nebraska school district or educational service unit; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 766.** Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to racing and gaming; to amend sections 2-1207.01, 2-1213, 2-1216, 2-1226, 2-1228, 2-1229, 9-831, 9-1001, 9-1002, 9-1003, 9-1004, 9-1006, and 9-1115, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 2-1207, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections 2-1205, 2-1210, 9-1,101, and 9-1104, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to licensed racetrack enclosure terms and conditions, parimutuel wagering, the distribution of amounts deducted from wagers on horseracing, registration of Nebraska-bred horses, simulcast facilities licenses, and assistance to problem gamblers; to provide for administrative fees; to change provisions relating to the Nebraska Commission on Problem Gambling and place such commission for administrative purposes within the State Racing and Gaming Commission; to change and eliminate provisions relating to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund; to change provisions relating to the Charitable Gaming Division of the Department of Revenue; to provide an exception to the required age for individuals to play keno at a licensed racetrack enclosure; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 9-1007, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 767.** Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to veterans; to adopt the Certified Help Options in Claims Expertise for Veterans Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 768.** Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to grants and other financial assistance; to amend sections 58-709, 81-1232, and 81-1241, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 58-201 and 58-703, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections 58-701, 58-708, 72-804, and 72-805, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to provide powers for the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority; to change and eliminate provisions of the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act; to change provisions relating to new state buildings and buildings constructed with state funds; to authorize certain contracts under the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act, the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act, and the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act; to eliminate a housing advisory committee; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 58-704, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 58-712, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 769.** Introduced by DeKay, 40; Ballard, 21; Conrad, 46; Dorn, 30; Dungan, 26; Fredrickson, 20; Guereca, 7; Raybould, 28; Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to license plates; to amend section 60-3,163.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to provide for University of Nebraska State Museum License Plates; to provide duties to the Department of Motor Vehicles and the University of Nebraska; to create a fund; to eliminate obsolete provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 770.** Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 33-114, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 77-6204, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to authorize fees for county treasurers for the collection of certain taxes and assessments of reclamation districts and county agricultural societies; to change provisions relating to the distribution of the nameplate capacity tax; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 771.** Introduced by Ballard, 21.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to transportation; to amend section 75-327, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to dynamic pricing used by transportation network companies during states of emergency declared by the Governor; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 772.** Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to funds; to amend sections 1-111, 2-1503.01, 2-1587, 2-15,122, 2-5106, 28-429, 29-3921, 46-1121, 47-632,

49-708, 50-114.05, 50-437, 54-857, 54-2428, 55-131, 60-3,218, 60-1409, 66-1842, 70-1020, 71-222.02, 71-4732, 71-8612, 72-816, 75-159, 76-549, 77-1342, 77-5031, 81-201.05, 81-2,147.11, 81-2,162.27, 81-2,291, 81-406, 81-528, 81-530, 81-5,153, 81-5,180, 81-829.33, 81-8,110.07, 81-8,129.01, 81-8,194, 81-1201.22, 81-1413.01, 81-1428, 81-15,165, 81-1607.01, 81-2004.01, 81-2105, 81-3119, 81-3432, 81-3524, 81-3714, 82-108.02, 83-913.01, 84-409, 84-414, 84-618, 84-1227, 85-1419, 88-545.01, 88-552, and 89-1,100, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 8-1120, 38-157, 44-116, 53-117.06, 59-1608.04, 66-739, 66-1521, and 71-5661, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections 2-1577, 8-604, 9-1,101, 9-1107, 13-2610, 37-351, 46-1403, 48-1,116, 49-14,140, 50-501, 60-3,201, 60-1505, 60-1513, 61-210, 61-224, 69-1317, 71-5328, 72-2211, 75-1101, 76-3219, 77-3,110, 77-2911, 77-4025, 77-4310.03, 77-5601, 79-1064, 81-179, 81-302, 81-407, 81-1201.21, 81-1211, 81-1213.02, 81-1216, 81-1558, 81-15,121, 81-15,160, 81-15,180, 81-15,300, 81-2004.07, 81-2004.08, and 82-139, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to eliminate provisions relating to transfers from certain funds as provided; to eliminate obsolete provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 773.** Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Prenatal Plus Program; to amend sections 68-9,106 and 68-9,107, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 68-9,109, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change an eligibility requirement; to eliminate a sunset date; to change services eligible for reimbursement; to change a reporting requirement for the Department of Health and Human Services; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 774.** Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to create the Rural Health Transformation Program Fund.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 775.** Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to create the Rural Health Transformation Program.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 776.** Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to fees; to provide a duty for each state agency to examine fees charged.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 777.** Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-908, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to add eligibility and reporting requirements for the Department of Health and Human Services as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 778.** Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Civic and Community Center Financing Act; to amend section 13-2706, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change eligibility requirements and authorized amounts for grants of assistance; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 779.** Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to medical debt; to provide requirements for health care facilities and collection agencies relating to collection of medical debt.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 780.** Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to require coverage of eating disorders as prescribed.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 781.** Introduced by Ballard, 21.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 18-1737, 60-201, 60-3,193.01, 60-462.01, 60-4,132, 60-501, 60-2705, 60-2909.01, 75-365, 75-369.03, 75-392, and 75-393, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to adopt updates to federal law and update certain federal references; to change civil penalties against certain motor carriers; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 782.** Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act; to amend section 9-648, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change the percentage of the tax required on gross proceeds under the act; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 783.** Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to liens; to amend section 76-902, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to adopt the Uniform Assignment for Benefit of Creditors Act; to provide an exemption to the documentary stamp tax; to provide severability; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 784.** Introduced by Hallstrom, 1; DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to amend section 81-1414.07, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 23-1701, 23-1701.01, and 32-604, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to residency requirements for sheriffs in certain

counties and continuing education requirements for law enforcement officers; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 785.** Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 28-101, 28-618, 28-627.03, 28-627.04, and 28-1601, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to define a term; to prohibit conduct involving mail receptacle keys and locks and intent to defraud or deprive another of property; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 786.** Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to veterans; to amend sections 60-3,122.03 and 60-3,122.04, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to Military Honor Plates under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act; to create a fund; to provide for grants to needy uniformed service members of the Military Department; to provide duties to the Adjutant General; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 787.** Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Veterans' Affairs; to amend sections 55-601 and 55-606, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change the membership of the Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs; to change when a report is required; to eliminate provisions related to a lease agreement for a veterans home and provisions regarding utility services; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 80-328 and 80-330, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 788.** Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Financial Fraud Victims' Reimbursement Fund; to amend section 84-222, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change the administrator of the fund to the Nebraska State Patrol; to provide powers and duties for the patrol; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 789.** Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Evidence Rules; to amend section 27-804, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for an exclusion from the hearsay rule for a statement offered against a party that wrongfully caused the declarant's unavailability; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 790.** Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Treatment and Corrections Act; to amend section 83-1,119, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to substance abuse violations of parole and to provide for revocation; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 791.** Introduced by Raybould, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act; to amend section 49-1401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide a limit on contributions made to a candidate or ballot question committee as prescribed; to provide for adjustments; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 792.** Introduced by Raybould, 28; Cavanaugh, M., 6; Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Family Home Visitation Act; to eliminate a requirement relating to applicability; and to outright repeal section 68-2306, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 793.** Introduced by Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 44-6408, 60-310, 60-346, 60-509, 60-534, 60-549, and 60-6,381, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 60-501, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change liability insurance and financial responsibility requirements; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 794.** Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to soil; to amend sections 2-406, 81-201, 81-2,162.27, and 81-2,164.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the powers of and to provide duties for the Department of Agriculture; to eliminate provisions relating to the Healthy Soils Task Force and fund transfers under the Fertilizers and Soil Conditioners Administrative Fund; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 2-401, 2-402, 2-403, and 2-404, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 795.** Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to amend section 28-405, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to designate bromazolam as a controlled substance; to correct the spelling of certain substances; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 796.** Introduced by DeKay, 40.



A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Pharmacy Practice Act; to amend section 38-2850, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the practice of pharmacy; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 797.** Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to municipalities; to amend sections 16-321 and 17-568.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to increase minimum bidding amount requirements for cities of the first class, cities of the second class, and villages as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 798.** Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to municipalities; to amend section 19-926, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 32-554, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions related to the composition of the planning commission of a city of the second class or village; to allow a city of the second class to elect some council members by ward as provided; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 799.** Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to service contracts; to adopt the Service Contract Reporting Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 800.** Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to buildings; to amend sections 81-1608 and 81-1614, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 71-6403 and 72-806, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections 71-6406, 72-804, 72-805, 81-1609, and 81-1611, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to adopt updates to building and energy codes; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 801.** Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to buildings; to amend section 71-6403, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 71-6406, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to adopt updates to building and energy codes; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 802.** Introduced by Revenue Committee: von Gillern, 4, Chairperson; Bostar, 29; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2715.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change individual income tax rates; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 803.** Introduced by Revenue Committee: von Gillern, 4, Chairperson; Bostar, 29; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-1229, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to tangible personal property; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 804.** Introduced by Lonowski, 33; Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; McKeon, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to peer support counseling; to provide for confidential and privileged peer support counseling as provided; and to define terms.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 805.** Introduced by Lonowski, 33; Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; McKeon, 41; Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to require coverage for cranial helmets for certain infants as prescribed.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 806.** Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Site and Building Development Act; to amend section 81-12,147, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for a grant to a city of the first class; to state intent to appropriate funds; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 807.** Introduced by Ibach, 44; Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment; to amend sections 2-945.02, 2-953, and 2-958.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 2-958, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections 2-969 and 61-218, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change the administration of the Noxious Weed Control Act from the Department of Agriculture to the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment; to redefine a term, require the administration of a grant program, restate legislative intent, and change provisions relating to the Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force under the Noxious Weed Control Act; to prohibit the payment of administrative expenses and salaries for state agencies from the Water Resources Cash Fund; to eliminate obsolete provisions relating to the

Noxious Weed Cash Fund; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 808.** Introduced by Ibach, 44; Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Child Care Licensing Act; to amend section 71-1908, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to legislative intent; to provide for a child care licensing pilot program as prescribed; to provide powers and duties for the Director of Public Health of the Division of Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services; to provide for a waiver of certain child care licensing requirements; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 809.** Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to political subdivisions; to amend section 13-331, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to prohibit the enactment or enforcement of local laws that would prohibit landlords from taking certain actions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 810.** Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Real Estate License Act; to amend sections 81-885.03, 81-885.07, and 81-885.25, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate notice requirements for cease and desist orders as provided; to provide for a deputy director; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 811.** Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Municipal Land Bank Act; to amend sections 18-3404 and 18-3405, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the municipalities authorized to form their own land banks; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 812.** Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-908, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide requirements for the Department of Health and Human Services relating to eligibility redeterminations and community engagement; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 813.** Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Employment Security Law; to amend section 48-604, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to marketplace network contractors; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 814.** Introduced by Brandt, 32; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Ibach, 44; Jacobson, 42; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-201 and 77-5023, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the valuation of agricultural land and horticultural land; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 815.** Introduced by Brandt, 32; Dorn, 30; Ibach, 44; Jacobson, 42; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to fuels; to amend sections 66-726, 66-1331, 66-1332, 66-1333, 66-1337, 66-1338, and 66-1340, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 66-489, 66-1334, 66-1335, and 66-1521, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for a tax on certain diesel fuels; to change provisions relating to refunds for motor fuel taxes; to change and eliminate provisions of the Ethanol Development Act; to define, redefine, and eliminate terms; to change provisions relating to the petroleum release remedial action fee; to eliminate the Ethanol Production Incentive Cash Fund; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 66-1342, 66-1344.01, 66-1345, 66-1345.05, and 66-1348, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 66-1344, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 816.** Introduced by Storer, 43; Hallstrom, 1; Lonowski, 33; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public safety; to provide a privilege for peer support services communications; to define terms; and to provide for immunity.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 817.** Introduced by Storer, 43; Andersen, 49; Bosn, 25; Brandt, 32; Hallstrom, 1; Lonowski, 33; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 28-416, 28-1354, and 28-1701, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to provide a penalty enhancement for certain offenses involving fentanyl; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 818.** Introduced by Storer, 43; Bosn, 25; Lonowski, 33; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-323, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 28-310.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change certain elements of the offense of domestic assault; to change penalties for such offense and the offense of assault by strangulation or suffocation; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 819.** Introduced by Hallstrom, 1; McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to housing; to amend sections 81-1228, 81-1229, 81-1230, and 81-1231, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 81-1238, 81-1239, and 81-1240, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act and the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 820.** Introduced by Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee: Ballard, 21, Chairperson; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Juarez, 5; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to retirement; to amend sections 23-2305.01, 23-2312, 24-705, 42-1111, 79-905, 79-906, 79-907, 79-930, 79-963, 79-979.01, 79-983, 79-989, 79-992, 79-9,113, 79-9,115, 79-9,121, 81-2019, 81-2019.01, 81-2021, 81-2022, 84-1305.01, 84-1305.02, 84-1503, 84-1503.03, and 84-1512, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 24-704, 24-704.01, 24-710, 72-1237, and 72-1239, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections 4-108, 23-2306, 24-703, 24-703.01, 49-617, 79-904.01, 79-915, 79-916, 79-966, 79-978, 79-9,118, 81-2016, 84-1307, and 84-1504, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to define approved identification document; to change provisions relating to participation in certain retirement systems by certain state agencies and political subdivisions; to change the title to executive director of the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems; to rename certain state transfers as state contributions; to change provisions relating to the ex officio members of the Nebraska Investment Council, certain contributions by school districts, and the computation of certain tax withholdings relating to deferred compensation; to eliminate obsolete provisions under the Class V School Employees Retirement Act and the Class V School Employees Retirement Fund; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 821.** Introduced by Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee: Ballard, 21, Chairperson; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Juarez, 5; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to retirement; to amend sections 84-1309.01 and 84-1503, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 72-1243, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to eliminate provisions relating to certain verifications performed by the Public Employees Retirement Board and certain written plans of action; to provide for an annual report prepared by the Nebraska Investment Council; to provide for an annual report prepared by the Public Employees Retirement Board; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 822.** Introduced by Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee: Ballard, 21, Chairperson; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Juarez, 5; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to retirement; to amend sections 16-1001, 16-1002, 16-1003, 16-1004, 16-1006, 16-1007, 16-1008, 16-1009, 16-1010, 16-1011, 16-1012, 16-1013, 16-1014, 16-1015, 16-1016, 16-1017, 16-1018, 16-1019, and 81-8,317, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 18-1723, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 16-1005, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to rename the Police Officers Retirement Act as the Cities of the First Class Police Officers Retirement Act and change provisions of such act; to define terms; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 823.** Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to land-management burning; to amend sections 81-520.01, 81-520.03, and 81-520.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the permit and permit application for open burning; to define and redefine terms; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 824.** Introduced by Lonowski, 33; Conrad, 46; DeBoer, 10; Hardin, 48; Juarez, 5; Lippincott, 34; McKeon, 41; Murman, 38; Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to retirement; amend sections 79-920, 79-930, and 79-992, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 79-902 and 79-978, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to redefine termination of employment and termination and to change provisions relating to termination of employment under the School Employees Retirement Act and the Class V School Employees Retirement Act; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 825.** Introduced by Ballard, 21.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Mental Health Practice Act; to amend sections 38-2101 and 38-2123, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require training on domestic abuse as prescribed; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 826.** Introduced by DeKay, 40; Lippincott, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-3512 and 77-3514.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to late applications for homestead exemptions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 827.** Introduced by DeKay, 40; Ibach, 44; Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to natural resources districts; to amend section 2-3232, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for programs relating to soil and water; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 828.** Introduced by DeKay, 40; Clouse, 37; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to gift enterprises; to amend section 9-701, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 829.** Introduced by Lonowski, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Auditor of Public Accounts; to amend section 84-304, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to certain audit examinations; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 830.** Introduced by Lonowski, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to amend sections 50-123.01, 53-112, 71-1131, 75-106, 80-401.02, 81-183, 81-186, 83-191, 83-227.01, 83-227.02, 83-363, 83-364, 83-367, 83-370, 83-371, 83-375, 83-377, 83-378, 83-379, 83-380.01, 84-101.01, 84-201.01, 84-206, 84-314, 84-509, 84-608, and 84-721, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 72-201, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 24-201.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to require payment of salaries in equal installments; to provide for the use of deferred maintenance funds for federal facilities under the control of the Military Department; to eliminate provisions relating to county payments for state institutions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 83-380, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 831.** Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil actions; to provide limitations and requirements for civil actions relating to exposure to ethylene oxide; and to define terms.

### **RESOLUTION(S)**

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 283CA.** Introduced by DeKay, 40; Andersen, 49; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36; Lippincott, 34; Murman, 38.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article VI, section 1:

VI-1 ~~Only a~~ Every citizen of the United States who has attained the age of eighteen years on or before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November and has resided within the state and the county and voting precinct for the terms provided by law shall, except as provided in section 2 of this article, be an elector for the calendar year in which such citizen has attained the age of eighteen years and for all succeeding calendar years.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to state that only a United States citizen may be an elector.

For

Against.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 284CA.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article VI, section 1:

VI-1 Every citizen of the United States who has attained the age of ~~sixteen~~sixteen years on or before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November and has resided within the state and the county and voting precinct for the terms provided by law shall, except as provided in section 2 of this article, be an elector for the calendar year in which such citizen has attained the age of ~~sixteen~~sixteen years and for all succeeding calendar years.

Article VI, section 1, of the Constitution of Nebraska is repealed.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to permit persons who have attained the age of sixteen years on or before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November to vote in the calendar year in which such persons attain the age of sixteen years.

For

Against.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 285.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

WHEREAS, Gary Sadlemyer, after nearly fifty years at KFAB radio network, retired on December 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Gary was a Minnesota native with a dream for radio and started that journey at KFAB in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Gary has been at KFAB and has talked his listeners through the first plane flying into the World Trade Center, stayed on the air to report



on the Von Maur shooting, and became a major lifeline to those effected after the 1997 snowstorm; and

WHEREAS, Gary will be a substitute for his replacement if necessary and will be around the station that was his home away from home after nearly fifty years; and

WHEREAS, Gary will enjoy time vacationing and spending much needed time with his family for years to come; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes Gary for his dedication and his love for radio throughout his years at KFAB.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Gary Sadlemyer on almost fifty years at KFAB.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Gary Sadlemyer.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 286.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

WHEREAS, the 2025 NSAA Class B Boys Golf State Championship was held in Gering, Nebraska, at Monument Shadows on May 27 and 28; and

WHEREAS, the Elkhorn North Wolves landed a first-day score of 307, earned the title with their second-day score of 298, and finished with a two-day score of 605; and

WHEREAS, after an extensive trip and a downpour on day one, the Wolves earned the win unphased giving it their all for the title; and

WHEREAS, such a team achievement was not possible without the help of the community, coaches, teachers, and parents; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of Nebraska.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates the Elkhorn North High School boys golf team on securing the 2025 NSAA Boys Golf State Championship title.

2. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Elkhorn North High School boys golf team and Coach Calvin Thompson.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 287.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

WHEREAS, the 2025 NSAA Class B Boys Golf State Championship was held in Gering, Nebraska, at Monument Shadows on May 27 and 28; and

WHEREAS, junior Andrew Neitfeldt supported Elkhorn North's championship title by hitting a 2 under par 70 earning the best round of the day by three shots; and

WHEREAS, Andrew worked overtime for his individual title finishing 3 under par 139 against players from York High School and Gretna High School; and

WHEREAS, Andrew's habitual consistency to scoring at or below par and his skilled support in earning Elkhorn North's championship title deserves recognition; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of Nebraska.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Andrew Neitfeldt on earning the 2025 NSAA Class B Boys State Golf Individual Championship title.

2. That copies of this resolution be sent to Elkhorn North High School and Andrew Neitfeldt.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 288.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Department of Education recognized seven schools as 2025 Blue Ribbon Schools; and

WHEREAS, to be named a 2025 Blue Ribbon School, educational institutions across the state qualified by exhibiting two categories. One, Exemplary High Performance measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests, and two, Exemplary Achievement Gap Closing measured by achievement gaps between different student groups and the overall student body; and

WHEREAS, Hillrise Elementary School located in Elkhorn, Nebraska, received such honor as it is a school where students are the number one priority and the dedicated staff and supportive school community provide a safe and respectful learning environment; and

WHEREAS, Hillrise Elementary School implements a rigorous curriculum and provides students with high levels of achievement by delivering effective evidence-based strategies to develop student's ability for life-long learning; and

WHEREAS, Hillrise Elementary School's faculty members foster student's growth with intention by greeting each student at the start of every day thus promoting student's self-worth and sense of hope; and

WHEREAS, Hillrise Elementary School's continued dedication to its students, educators, and community deserves recognition.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Hillrise Elementary School for being named a Nebraska Department of Education 2025 Blue Ribbon School.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Hillrise Elementary School.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 289.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Department of Education recognized seven schools as 2025 Blue Ribbon Schools; and

WHEREAS, to be named a 2025 Blue Ribbon School, educational institutions across the state qualified by exhibiting two categories. One, Exemplary High Performance measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests, and two, Exemplary Achievement Gap Closing measured by achievement gaps between different student groups and the overall student body; and

WHEREAS, Mount Michael Benedictine School received such honor as it is a school of effective and innovative practices fostering core values of community, hospitality, integrity, moderation, and service; and

WHEREAS, Mount Michael Benedictine School is a college-preparatory school for young men that values academic excellence, personal growth, strong character development, and a close-knit and faith-filled environment; and

WHEREAS, Mount Michael Benedictine School's faculty members serve as expert educators that value student's well-being serving as their mentors, coaches, and role models; and

WHEREAS, Mount Michael Benedictine School's continued dedication to its students, educators, and community deserves recognition.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Mount Michael Benedictine School for being named a Nebraska Department of Education 2025 Blue Ribbon School.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mount Michael Benedictine School.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 290.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

WHEREAS, the NSAA Class B Boys State Tennis Championship was held in October at Woods Tennis Complex in Lincoln, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Mount Michael Benedictine School secured the championship title by winning in three divisions and successfully defended their 2024 title; and

WHEREAS, Mount Michael Benedictine School claimed their fourth crown in six seasons; 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 Nebraska.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Mount Michael Benedictine School for winning the NSAA Class B Boys State Tennis Championship.
2. That copies of this resolution be sent to Mount Michael Benedictine School and coach Chase Petersen.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 291.** Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

WHEREAS, the 2025 NSAA Class B Girls Cross Country State Championship was held on October 24 in Kearney, Nebraska, at the Kearney Country Club; and

WHEREAS, the Elkhorn North High School Wolves earned the championship title and picked up their second-straight title; and

WHEREAS, the course at Kearney Country Club provides constant changes in elevation making it difficult to keep a steady pace, but the lady Wolves remained composed and relied on each other for support; 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 Nebraska.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates the Elkhorn North High School girls cross country team for earning the 2025 NSAA Class B Girls Cross Country State Championship title.
2. That copies of this resolution be sent to Elkhorn North High School and coach Jordan Fuglestad.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 292CA.** Introduced by Andersen, 49; Clouse, 37; Hansen, 16; Holdcroft, 36; Lonowski, 33; Raybould, 28; Sanders, 45; Sorrentino, 39.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article VIII, section 1, and add new sections 14 and 15 to Article VIII:

VIII-1 The necessary revenue of the state and its governmental subdivisions shall be raised by taxation in such manner as the Legislature may direct. Notwithstanding Article I, section 16, Article III, section 18, or

Article VIII, section 4, of this Constitution or any other provision of this Constitution to the contrary: (1) Except as otherwise provided in or permitted by this Constitution, real property shall all be taxed in accordance with Article VIII, section 14, of this Constitution and there shall be two valuations for each parcel of real property: Fair market value and taxable market value. Fair market value shall be dynamic and determined by the assessor of the property. Taxable market value shall be used to establish the baseline valuation for tax liability for the individual property owner. Fair market value shall be assessed uniformly and proportionately upon all real property and franchises as defined by the Legislature. Taxes shall be levied by valuation uniformly and proportionately upon all real property and franchises as defined by the Legislature except as otherwise provided in or permitted by this Constitution; (2) tangible personal property, as defined by the Legislature, not exempted by this Constitution or by legislation, shall all be taxed at depreciated cost using the same depreciation method with reasonable class lives, as determined by the Legislature, or shall all be taxed by valuation uniformly and proportionately; (3) the Legislature may provide for a different method of taxing motor vehicles and may also establish a separate class of motor vehicles consisting of those owned and held for resale by motor vehicle dealers which shall be taxed in the manner and to the extent provided by the Legislature and may also establish a separate class for trucks, trailers, semitrailers, truck-tractors, or combinations thereof, consisting of those owned by residents and nonresidents of this state, and operating in interstate commerce, and may provide reciprocal and proportionate taxation of such vehicles. The tax proceeds from motor vehicles taxed in each county shall be allocated to the county and the cities, villages, and school districts of such county; (4) the Legislature may provide that agricultural land and horticultural land, as defined by the Legislature, shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of taxation and may provide for a different method of taxing agricultural land and horticultural land which results in values that are not uniform and proportionate with all other real property and franchises but which results in values that are uniform and proportionate upon all property within the class of agricultural land and horticultural land; (5) the Legislature may enact laws to provide that the value of land actively devoted to agricultural or horticultural use shall for property tax purposes be that value which such land has for agricultural or horticultural use without regard to any value which such land might have for other purposes or uses; (6) the Legislature may prescribe standards and methods for the determination of the value of real property at uniform and proportionate values; (7) in furtherance of the purposes for which such a law of the United States has been adopted, whenever there exists a law of the United States which is intended to protect a specifically designated type, use, user, or owner of property or franchise from discriminatory state or local taxation, such property or franchise shall constitute a separate class of property or franchise under the laws of the State of Nebraska, and such property or franchise may not be taken into consideration in determining whether taxes are levied by valuation uniformly or proportionately upon any property or franchise, and the Legislature may enact laws which statutorily recognize such class and

which tax or exempt from taxation such class of property or franchise in such manner as it determines; and (8) the Legislature may provide that livestock shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of taxation and may further provide for reciprocal and proportionate taxation of livestock located in this state for only part of a year. Each actual property tax rate levied for a governmental subdivision shall be the same for all classes of taxed property and franchises. Taxes uniform as to class of property or the ownership or use thereof may be levied by valuation or otherwise upon classes of intangible property as the Legislature may determine, and such intangible property held in trust or otherwise for the purpose of funding pension, profit-sharing, or other employee benefit plans as defined by the Legislature may be declared exempt from taxation. Taxes other than property taxes may be authorized by law. Existing revenue laws shall continue in effect until changed by the Legislature.

VIII-14 (1) Beginning January 1, 2027:

(a) Real property shall be valued, for property tax purposes, at its taxable market value unless such property is exempt from tax pursuant to this Constitution; and

(b) The property taxes levied on any parcel of real property shall not increase, from one year to the next, by more than the allowable growth percentage, except in those cases when the taxable market value is adjusted pursuant to subdivision (2)(e) of this section.

(2) For purposes of this section:

(a) Agricultural land means real property that is primarily used for agricultural or horticultural purposes;

(b) Agricultural or horticultural purposes means used for the commercial production of any plant or animal product in a raw or unprocessed state that is derived from the science and art of agriculture, aquaculture, or horticulture;

(c) Allowable growth percentage means the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, or its successor index, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, for the twelve-month period ending on June 30 of the year in which the relevant property taxes are determined;

(d) Nonagricultural land means any real property other than agricultural land; and

(e) Taxable market value means the assessed value of the real property for 2026, except that a property's taxable market value shall be adjusted when purchased, when newly constructed, when combining parcels, or when a change of ownership has occurred after the 2026 assessment. In such case, the taxable market value shall be adjusted as follows:

(i) For nonagricultural land, the taxable market value shall be adjusted to one hundred percent of the property's fair market value; or

(ii) For agricultural land, the taxable market value shall be adjusted to seventy-five percent of the property's fair market value, except that for property taxes levied by a school district to pay the principal and interest on bonds that are approved by a vote of the people on or after January 1, 2022,

the taxable market value shall be adjusted to fifty percent of the property's fair market value.

(3) For purposes of subdivision (2)(e) of this section, the term "newly constructed" does not include the construction, installation, removal, or modification of any portion or structural component of an existing building or structure or the rebuilding of a house destroyed by a tornado, flood, or other natural disaster.

(4) For purposes of subdivision (2)(e) of this section, the terms "purchased" and "change of ownership" do not include the purchase or transfer of real property between spouses since January 1, 2027, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(a) Transfers to a trustee for the beneficial use of a spouse, or the surviving spouse of a deceased transferor, or by a trustee of such a trust to the spouse of the trustor;

(b) Transfers to a spouse that take effect upon the death of a spouse;

(c) Transfers to a spouse or former spouse in connection with a property settlement agreement or decree of dissolution of a marriage or legal separation;

(d) The creation, transfer, or termination, solely between spouses, of any co-owner's interest; or

(e) The distribution of a legal entity's property to a spouse or former spouse in exchange for the interest of the spouse in the legal entity in connection with a property settlement agreement or a decree of dissolution of a marriage or legal separation.

(5) For purposes of subdivision (2)(e) of this section, the term "combining parcels" means combining two or more parcels of real property with any established buildings for the purpose of fully or partially rebuilding any such established buildings.

VIII-15 An emergency shall only be declared by an appropriate government official, as determined by the Legislature. During an officially declared emergency if there is a financial need for any local taxing entity which cannot be funded by previously appropriated funds, an election may be conducted to authorize a special bond levy, as determined by the Legislature. Such authorization shall at a minimum require at least half of the registered voters of such local taxing entity to vote in the election and at least two-thirds of votes cast in the election in favor of the authorization.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to provide a new method of valuing real property for property tax purposes, provide a limit on property tax increases, provide certain exceptions, provide requirements for declared emergencies, provide for emergency bond levies, and eliminate conflicting constitutional provisions.

For

Against.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 293.** Introduced by Kauth, 31; Andersen, 49; Bosn, 25; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Guereca, 7; Holdcroft, 36; Lippincott, 34; Murman, 38; Sanders, 45.

WHEREAS, national veteran suicide crises data indicates that as many as twenty-two veterans commit suicide every day; and

WHEREAS, traumatic brain injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder can be causes of suicide; and

WHEREAS, data collected between 2000 to 2019 by the Department of Defense of Active, Guard, and Reserve members in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marines indicate that for all severities of traumatic brain injuries, a total of 413,858 service members suffer from traumatic brain injuries; and

WHEREAS, the number of veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder varies by service era but ranges from approximately eleven percent to approximately thirty percent; and

WHEREAS, one of the many societal costs of traumatic brain injuries among the veteran population in Nebraska are the large fiscal impacts; and

WHEREAS, traumatic brain injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder both involve physical injury to brain tissue; and

WHEREAS, a tragically high number of veterans with traumatic brain injury and chronic pain have become victims of the opioid use disorder epidemic; and

WHEREAS, current standards of care approved for veterans with traumatic brain injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder focus on medication and counseling; and

WHEREAS, additional treatments, vocational counseling, and rehabilitation therapies exist that have been clinically proven to mitigate symptoms and improve recovery when used alone or integrated with counseling. Additional therapies to treat traumatic brain injuries and post-traumatic stress disorder include physical therapy, occupational therapy, cognitive therapy, speech therapy, and hyperbaric oxygen therapy; and

WHEREAS, hyperbaric oxygen therapy couples hyperbaric oxygen chamber treatment, which promotes oxygen for healing and restoring injured brain tissue, together with counseling; and

WHEREAS, access to a variety of treatments improves a veteran's opportunities for healing and recovery; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans National Traumatic Injury Treatment Act, 2023 H.R. 3649, would require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a pilot program to furnish hyperbaric oxygen therapy to veterans suffering from traumatic brain injury or post-traumatic stress disorder.

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

1. That the Legislature strongly urges members of the United States Congress to swiftly enact legislation to provide for veterans' access to treatments for traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder that include hyperbaric oxygen therapy, such as the Veterans National Traumatic Injury Treatment Act, and any other legislation improving or authorizing



access to other important therapies and counseling, and legislation fostering research and development of additional therapies.

2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President and the Secretary of the United States Senate, and each member of the Nebraska Congressional delegation.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 294.** Introduced by Kauth, 31; Andersen, 49; Bostar, 29; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Holdcroft, 36; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Meyer, 17; Murman, 38.

#### NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT

WHEREAS, Elizabeth O'Connor currently serves on the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, serving since 2019 and recently re-elected in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth O'Connor was in a two-vehicle crash on May 21, 2025, in Omaha, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth O'Connor was charged with driving under the influence (DUI) causing serious bodily injury, a Class IIIA felony, after law enforcement determined that she was operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and that she caused the crash; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, section 5, of the Constitution of Nebraska states that "A civil officer of this state shall be liable to impeachment for any misdemeanor in office"; and

WHEREAS, Article III, section 17, of the Constitution of Nebraska provides that the Legislature has "the sole power of impeachment".

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

1. That the Legislature calls upon Elizabeth O'Connor to resign her seat on the Board of Regents immediately.

2. That the Legislature hereby calls upon the Governor, pursuant to section 32-573, Nebraska Revised Statutes, to fill Elizabeth O'Connor's vacated seat, pending an election to fill the vacated seat.

3. That if Elizabeth O'Connor fails to resign, articles of impeachment will be filed against her, to be heard by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature.

4. That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to send, upon passage, a copy of this resolution, by certified mail with return receipt requested, to Elizabeth O'Connor at her last-known address.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 295.** Introduced by Kauth, 31; Andersen, 49; Bostar, 29; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Holdcroft, 36; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Murman, 38.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTING ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT

The Legislature finds:

1. Elizabeth O'Connor currently serves on the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, serving since 2019 and recently re-elected in 2024.
2. Elizabeth O'Connor was in a two-vehicle crash on May 21, 2025, in Omaha, Nebraska.
3. Elizabeth O'Connor was charged with driving under the influence (DUI) causing serious bodily injury, a Class IIIA felony, after law enforcement determined that she was operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and that she caused the crash.
4. Elizabeth O'Connor is a civil officer of this State and, as such, is liable to impeachment for any misdemeanor in office. Neb. Const. Art. IV, § 5.
5. The Legislature has "the sole power of impeachment." Neb. Const. Art. III, § 17. Impeachment occurs by the adoption, by a majority of the members of the Legislature, of a resolution setting forth articles of impeachment. The articles are then tried before the Nebraska Supreme Court.
6. Clear and convincing evidence exists to establish that Elizabeth O'Connor committed the offense identified in the articles of impeachment in this resolution. Furthermore, this is an impeachable offense. "[A]n impeachable high crime or misdemeanor is one in its nature or consequences subversive of some fundamental or essential principle of government or highly prejudicial to the public interest, and this may consist of a violation of the constitution, of law, of an official oath, or of duty by an act committed or omitted, or, without violating a positive law, by the abuse of discretionary powers from improper motives or for an improper purpose." State v. Douglas, 217 Neb 199, 202, 349 N.W.2d 870, 875 (1984) (quoting State v. Hastings, 37 Neb. 96, 114-15, 55 N.W. 774, 780 (1893)).

## ACTS CONSTITUTING IMPEACHABLE OFFENSES:

Article 1: Driving Under the Influence Causing Serious Bodily Injury  
(Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-6,198)

1. On or about May 21, 2025, Elizabeth O'Connor was driving her motor vehicle near the area of North 63rd Street and Blondo Street in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska.
2. Elizabeth O'Connor was traveling eastbound on Blondo Street when her motor vehicle crossed over into the westbound lane and into oncoming traffic, where her motor vehicle collided with another motor vehicle.
3. Officers with the Omaha Police Department arrived and found Elizabeth O'Connor to be displaying obvious signs of intoxication. She displayed bloodshot and watery eyes, slurred speech, and the moderate odor of an alcoholic beverage emitting from her breath.
4. A half empty bottle of Fireball Cinnamon Whisky was found in Elizabeth O'Connor's vehicle.
5. Officers conducted Standardized Field Sobriety Testing on Elizabeth O'Connor and she displayed clear signs of intoxication.
6. As Elizabeth O'Connor appeared to have minor injuries, she was transported to the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC).

7. Officer Keith Lambert filed an affidavit and application for a search warrant to obtain a sample of Elizabeth O'Connor's whole blood for chemical testing. That application was granted, a search warrant was issued, and officers obtained a sample of whole blood from Elizabeth O'Connor.

8. Tests were conducted on Elizabeth O'Connor's whole blood. It was determined that her blood alcohol concentration (BAC) at the time of the accident was 0.321 of one gram by weight of alcohol per one hundred milliliters of her blood. Elizabeth O'Connor's BAC was more than four times the legal BAC maximum of 0.08.

9. Officers determined that there were five individuals in the motor vehicle struck by Elizabeth O'Connor's motor vehicle, including three children. The driver and the three children were also transported to UNMC.

10. The fifth individual in the victims' motor vehicle, Latonda Johnson, was in the front passenger seat. She was transported to UNMC in serious condition.

11. At UNMC, Latonda Johnson was found to have a broken back and broken pelvis. She has undergone several months of recovery and faces several more.

12. Elizabeth O'Connor's operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol in violation of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-6,196 or § 60-6,197 did proximately cause serious bodily injury to Latonda Johnson in violation of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 60-6,198, a Class IIIA felony.

13. Elizabeth O'Connor's misconduct is related, but inimical, to her duties in office. Her misconduct was subversive of fundamental and essential principles of government and highly prejudicial to the public interest.

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

1. That Elizabeth O'Connor, member of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, is hereby impeached, saving unto the Legislature of the State of Nebraska at any time hereafter any further articles or other accusations or impeachment against Elizabeth O'Connor, and also of replying to her answers which she shall make to the articles herein preferred against her, and of offering proof to the same and every part thereof, and all and every other article, accusation, or impeachment which shall be exhibited as the case shall require.

2. That the Legislature demands that Elizabeth O'Connor be put to answer for the misdemeanor in office herein charged against her, and that such proceedings, examination, trials, and judgments may be thereupon had and given as may be agreeable to law and justice.

Laid over.

#### **AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal**

Senator Andersen filed the following amendment to LR292CA:

[FA343](#)

On page 1, line 3, strike the period after the number one.

Senator Kauth filed the following amendment to LB831:

[FA344](#)

Strike the enacting clause.

Senator Hallstrom filed the following amendment to LB831:

[FA342](#)

Strike Section 5, on page 3, lines 14-18.

Senator Holdcroft filed the following amendment to LB213:

[AM1651](#)

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM645)

1 1. In line 2, strike "line 24," and insert "line 18, strike "2026"

2 and insert "2027"; in line 21 strike "2026-27" and insert "2027-28"; in

3 line 24".

### **MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR**

January 5, 2026

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 individual is being appointed to the State Racing and Gaming Commission:

Randall Conroy, 12603 S 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Papillion, NE 68046, Experience in  
Gaming Industry/Independent

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Background information is included for your review.

Sincerely,  
(Signed) Jim Pillen  
Governor

Enclosures

### **UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)**

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

Senator Juarez name added to LB256.

Senator Rountree name added to LB304.

Senator Raybould name added to LB304.

Senator Raybould name added to LB594.

**WITHDRAW - Cointroducer(s)**

Senator Quick name withdrawn from LB693.

**VISITOR(S)**

Visitors to the Chamber were Black, Brown, and Red Coalition, Omaha; Omaha Youth 360, Omaha.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:42 p.m., on a motion by Senator Spivey, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, January 8, 2026.

Brandon Metzler  
Clerk of the Legislature

