

**TWELFTH DAY - JANUARY 23, 2026****LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SESSION****TWELFTH DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska  
Friday, January 23, 2026

**PRAYER**

The prayer was offered by Pastor Justin Bossman, Crofton Congregational Church, Crofton.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator von Gillern.

**ROLL CALL**

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

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators DeBoer and Moser who were excused; and Senators Dover, Hunt and Sanders who were excused until they arrived.

**CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL**

On page 427, strike lines 3 and 4.  
The Journal for the tenth day was approved as corrected.  
The Journal for the eleventh day was approved.

**REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

<b>LB/LR</b>	<b>Committee</b>
LB1142	Banking, Commerce and Insurance (rereferred)
LB1160	Banking, Commerce and Insurance (rereferred)
LB1166	Nebraska Retirement Systems
LB1167	Appropriations
LB1168	Urban Affairs
LB1169	Judiciary

LB1170	Business and Labor
LB1171	Judiciary
LB1172	Natural Resources
LB1173	Business and Labor
LB1174	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB1175	Judiciary
LB1176	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB1177	Appropriations
LB1178	Judiciary
LB1179	Executive Board
LB1180	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB1181	Judiciary
LB1182	Education
LB1183	Revenue
LB1184	Education
LB1185	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB1186	Revenue
LB1187	Agriculture
LB1188	Agriculture
LB1189	Revenue
LB1190	Appropriations
LB1191	Revenue
LB1192	Revenue
LB1193	Revenue
LB1194	Health and Human Services
LB1195	Judiciary
LB1196	Education
LB1197	Natural Resources
LB1198	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB1199	Judiciary
LB1200	Health and Human Services
LB1201	Education
LB1202	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB1203	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB1204	Natural Resources
LB1205	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB1206	Revenue
LB1207	Education
LB1208	Education
LB1209	Appropriations
LB1210	Appropriations
LB1211	Health and Human Services
LB1212	Health and Human Services
LB1213	Health and Human Services
LB1214	Urban Affairs
LB1215	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB1216	Education
LB1217	Health and Human Services
LB1218	Appropriations
LB1219	Revenue
LB1220	Natural Resources

LB1221 Health and Human Services  
LB1222 Banking, Commerce and Insurance  
LB1223 Transportation and Telecommunications  
LB1224 Education  
LB1225 Judiciary  
LB1226 Natural Resources  
LB1227 Urban Affairs  
LB1228 Judiciary  
LB1229 Appropriations  
LB1230 Judiciary  
LB1231 Appropriations  
LB1232 Natural Resources  
LB1233 Health and Human Services  
LB1234 Health and Human Services  
LB1235 General Affairs  
LB1236 Executive Board  
LB1237 Executive Board  
LB1238 Revenue  
LB1239 Health and Human Services  
LB1240 Revenue  
LB1241 Education  
LB1242 Judiciary  
LB1243 Education  
LB1244 Revenue  
LB1245 Executive Board  
LB1246 Banking, Commerce and Insurance  
LB1247 Education  
LB1248 Appropriations  
LB1249 Business and Labor  
LB1250 Urban Affairs  
LB1251 Banking, Commerce and Insurance  
LB1252 Revenue  
LB1253 Revenue  
LB1254 Judiciary  
LB1255 Judiciary  
LB1256 Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
LB1257 Revenue  
LB1258 Agriculture  
LB1259 Natural Resources  
LB1260 Transportation and Telecommunications  
LR311CA Executive Board  
LR312CA Urban Affairs  
LR316CA Judiciary  
LR317CA Revenue  
Hawks, James W - State Highway Commission - Transportation and  
Telecommunications  
Mello, Heath - State Highway Commission - Transportation and  
Telecommunications

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson  
Executive Board

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

Senator Spivey filed the following amendment to LB441:  
AM1738

1 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments thereto and  
 2 insert the following new sections:  
 3 Section 1. Section 71-6401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,  
 4 2024, is amended to read:  
 5 71-6401 Sections 71-6401 to 71-6408 and section 2 of this act shall  
 6 be known and may be cited as the Building Construction Act.  
 7 Sec. 2. (1) For purposes of this section:  
 8 (a) Authorized inspector means an individual credentialed with the  
 9 state agency, county, city, or village issuing permits or a third-party  
 10 inspector registered or licensed with the State of Nebraska contracted as  
 11 a result of project specification requirements. Authorized inspector does  
 12 not include an individual performing a self-performed inspection for the  
 13 individual's own permit or building; and  
 14 (b) Inspection records means the pass or fail results, including the  
 15 reasons for failure or deviation from project specifications, of any  
 16 inspection required by the permitting entity as a condition of  
 17 construction in association with the address of the permit requested or  
 18 issued.  
 19 (2)(a) Any state agency, county, city, or village that requires an  
 20 inspection as part of a building permit may allow for virtual inspection  
 21 by an authorized inspector if the following conditions are met:  
 22 (i) The inspection is of an area of a single-family or two-family  
 23 residential building that is less than three stories in height and under  
 24 ten thousand square feet;  
 25 (ii) The individual requesting or holding the building permit has  
 26 provided a list of personnel who are licensed or registered in such  
 27 state, county, city, or village and who are completing the work to be  
 1 virtually inspected; and  
 2 (iii) Except as provided in subdivision (b) of this subsection, the  
 3 virtual inspection is conducted live with both the individual requesting  
 4 or holding the building permit and the authorized inspector.  
 5 (b) Inspections required for building permits of a nonstructural  
 6 nature, as determined by the permitting entity, may be conducted using  
 7 video or photo documentation for any reinspection.  
 8 (3) Any state agency, county, city, or village that utilizes virtual  
 9 inspections shall not be required to publicize the list of personnel  
 10 provided in subdivision (2)(a) of this section.  
 11 Sec. 3. Original section 71-6401, Revised Statutes Cumulative  
 12 Supplement, 2024, is repealed.

Senator Spivey filed the following amendment to LB440:  
AM1699

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new  
 2 sections:  
 3 Section 1. Section 79-838, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
 4 amended to read:  
 5 79-838 (1) Any school board, upon written request, may grant a leave  
 6 of absence to a permanent certificated employee for such reasons as the  
 7 school board deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, study,  
 8 military service, or professional improvement or because of physical  
 9 disability or sickness, or as otherwise required by law, subject to such  
 10 rules and regulations governing leaves of absence as may be adopted by  
 11 the school board. A school board may require a permanent certificated  
 12 employee, because of physical disability or sickness, to take a leave of

13 absence for a period not exceeding one year. In any such case, the  
14 procedure to be followed and the rights of the permanent certificated  
15 employee shall be the same as those prescribed in sections 79-824 to  
16 79-842 for termination of a permanent certificated employee.  
17 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law or any provision in a  
18 collective bargaining agreement to the contrary, for each contract year,  
19 a certificated employee who is on leave under the federal Family and  
20 Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. 2601 et seq., as such act existed on  
21 January 1, 2026, shall receive full pay and benefits for the first thirty  
22 service days of such leave, to be known as paid family and medical leave.  
23 Paid family and medical leave shall be funded exclusively from existing  
24 local school district funds and shall not be supported by any new state  
25 appropriations, state aid, or other state-related funding sources.  
26 (3) Paid family and medical leave provided under this section shall  
27 not be charged against or deducted from the employee's sick leave,  
1 personal leave, or other leave provided under the collective bargaining  
2 agreement or otherwise available to the employee.  
3 Sec. 2. Section 79-1028.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is  
4 amended to read:  
5 79-1028.01 (1) For each school fiscal year, a school district may  
6 exceed its budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures  
7 as calculated pursuant to section 79-1023 for such school fiscal year by  
8 a specific dollar amount for the following exclusions:  
9 (a) Expenditures for repairs to infrastructure damaged by a natural  
10 disaster which is declared a disaster emergency pursuant to the Emergency  
11 Management Act;  
12 (b) Expenditures for judgments, except judgments or orders from the  
13 Commission of Industrial Relations, obtained against a school district  
14 which require or obligate a school district to pay such judgment, to the  
15 extent such judgment is not paid by liability insurance coverage of a  
16 school district;  
17 (c) Expenditures pursuant to the Retirement Incentive Plan  
18 authorized in section 79-855 or the Staff Development Assistance  
19 authorized in section 79-856;  
20 (d) Expenditures of amounts received from educational entities as  
21 defined in section 79-1201.01 for providing distance education courses  
22 through the Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council to such  
23 educational entities;  
24 (e)(i) Expenditures to pay for employer contributions pursuant to  
25 subsection (2) of section 79-958 to the School Employees Retirement  
26 System of the State of Nebraska to the extent that such expenditures  
27 exceed the employer contributions under such subsection that would have  
28 been made at a contribution rate of seven and thirty-five hundredths  
29 percent.  
30 (ii) For school fiscal years 2025-26 and 2026-27, the amount of the  
31 expenditures described in subdivision (1)(e)(i) of this section for  
1 school fiscal year 2024-25 may be carried over and included in the budget  
2 authority for the general fund budget of expenditures for school fiscal  
3 years 2025-26 and 2026-27;  
4 (f) Expenditures to pay for school district contributions pursuant  
5 to subdivision (1)(c)(i) or (1)(d)(i) of section 79-9,113 to the  
6 retirement system established pursuant to the Class V School Employees  
7 Retirement Act to the extent that such expenditures exceed the school  
8 district contributions under such subdivision that would have been made  
9 at a contribution rate of seven and thirty-seven hundredths percent;  
10 (g) Expenditures for incentives agreed to be paid by a school  
11 district to certificated employees in exchange for a voluntary  
12 termination of employment occurring prior to July 1, 2009, occurring on  
13 or after the last day of the 2010-11 school year and prior to the first  
14 day of the 2013-14 school year, or, to the extent that a district

15 demonstrates to the State Board of Education pursuant to subsection (3)  
 16 of this section that the agreement will result in a net savings in salary  
 17 and benefit costs to the school district over a five-year period,  
 18 occurring on or after the first day of the 2013-14 school year and prior  
 19 to September 1, 2017;  
 20 (h) Expenditures by a school district with budgeted expenditures  
 21 otherwise equal to the budget authority for the general fund budget of  
 22 expenditures for such school district as calculated pursuant to section  
 23 79-1023 for such school fiscal year for current and future qualified  
 24 voluntary termination incentives for certificated teachers pursuant to  
 25 subsection (3) of section 79-8,142 that are not otherwise included in an  
 26 exclusion pursuant to this subsection;  
 27 (i) Expenditures by a school district with budgeted expenditures  
 28 otherwise equal to the budget authority for the general fund budget of  
 29 expenditures for such school district as calculated pursuant to section  
 30 79-1023 for such school fiscal year for seventy-five percent of  
 31 incentives agreed to be paid to certificated employees in exchange for a  
 1 voluntary termination of employment occurring between September 1, 2017,  
 2 and August 31, 2018, as a result of a collective-bargaining agreement in  
 3 force and effect on September 1, 2017, that are not otherwise included in  
 4 an exclusion pursuant to this subsection;  
 5 (j) Expenditures by a school district with budgeted expenditures  
 6 otherwise equal to the budget authority for the general fund budget of  
 7 expenditures for such school district as calculated pursuant to section  
 8 79-1023 for such school fiscal year for fifty percent of incentives  
 9 agreed to be paid to certificated employees in exchange for a voluntary  
 10 termination of employment occurring between September 1, 2018, and August  
 11 31, 2019, as a result of a collective-bargaining agreement in force and  
 12 effect on September 1, 2017, that are not otherwise included in an  
 13 exclusion pursuant to this subsection;  
 14 (k) Expenditures by a school district with budgeted expenditures  
 15 otherwise equal to the budget authority for the general fund budget of  
 16 expenditures for such school district as calculated pursuant to section  
 17 79-1023 for such school fiscal year for twenty-five percent of incentives  
 18 agreed to be paid to certificated employees in exchange for a voluntary  
 19 termination of employment occurring between September 1, 2019, and August  
 20 31, 2020, as a result of a collective-bargaining agreement in force and  
 21 effect on September 1, 2017, that are not otherwise included in an  
 22 exclusion pursuant to this subsection;  
 23 (l) The special education budget of expenditures;  
 24 (m) Expenditures of special grant funds; ~~and~~  
 25 (n) Expenditures of funds received as federal impact aid pursuant to  
 26 20 U.S.C. 7701 to 7714, as such sections existed on January 1, 2016, due  
 27 to a district having land within its boundaries that is federal property  
 28 classified as Indian lands under 20 U.S.C. 7713(7), as such section  
 29 existed on January 1, 2016, and funds received as impact aid due to  
 30 children in attendance who resided on Indian lands in accordance with 20  
 31 U.S.C. 7703(a)(1)(C), as such section existed on January 1, 2016; ~~and~~;  
 1 (o) Expenditures for substitute personnel costs incurred as a result  
 2 of certificated employees taking paid family and medical leave pursuant  
 3 to subsection (2) of section 79-838.  
 4 (2) For each school fiscal year, a school district may exceed its  
 5 budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures as  
 6 calculated pursuant to section 79-1023 for such school fiscal year by a  
 7 specific dollar amount and include such dollar amount in the budget of  
 8 expenditures used to calculate budget authority for the general fund  
 9 budget of expenditures pursuant to section 79-1023 for future years for  
 10 the following exclusions:  
 11 (a) The first school fiscal year the district will be participating  
 12 in Network Nebraska for the full school fiscal year, for the difference

13 of the estimated expenditures for such school fiscal year for  
 14 telecommunications services, access to data transmission networks that  
 15 transmit data to and from the school district, and the transmission of  
 16 data on such networks as such expenditures are defined by the department  
 17 for purposes of the distance education and telecommunications allowance  
 18 minus the dollar amount of such expenditures for the second school fiscal  
 19 year preceding the first full school fiscal year the district  
 20 participates in Network Nebraska;  
 21 (b) Expenditures for new elementary attendance sites in the first  
 22 year of operation or the first year of operation after being closed for  
 23 at least one school year if such elementary attendance site will most  
 24 likely qualify for the elementary site allowance in the immediately  
 25 following school fiscal year as determined by the state board;  
 26 (c) For the first school fiscal year for which early childhood  
 27 education membership is included in formula students for the calculation  
 28 of state aid, expenditures for early childhood education equal to the  
 29 amount the school district received in early childhood education grants  
 30 pursuant to section 79-1103 for the prior school fiscal year, increased  
 31 by the basic allowable growth rate; and  
 1 (d) For school fiscal year 2013-14, an amount not to exceed two  
 2 percent over the previous school year if such increase is approved by a  
 3 seventy-five percent majority vote of the school board of such district.  
 4 (3) The state board shall approve, deny, or modify the amount  
 5 allowed for any exclusions to the budget authority for the general fund  
 6 budget of expenditures pursuant to this section.  
 7 Sec. 3. Original section 79-838, Reissue Revised Statutes of  
 8 Nebraska, and section 79-1028.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, are  
 9 repealed.

Senator Sorrentino filed the following amendment to [LB1125](#):  
[AM1770](#)

1 1. Insert the following new section:  
 2 Sec. 2. If any section in this act or any part of any section is  
 3 declared invalid or unconstitutional, the declaration shall not affect  
 4 the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions.  
 5 2. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

## REPORT OF REGISTERED LOBBYISTS

Following is a list of all lobbyists who have registered as of January 22,  
 2026, in accordance with Section 49-1481, Revised Statutes of Nebraska.  
 Additional lobbyists who have registered will be filed weekly.

(Signed) Brandon Metzler  
 Clerk of the Legislature

CP Strategies LLC  
 Petros PACE Finance llc  
 Day, Jen  
 Women's Fund of Greater Omaha, Inc.  
 Eathington, Adam  
 National Insurance Crime Bureau  
 Grisham, Kent  
 Peetz & Schrader  
 HBS

Associated General Contractors of America, Nebraska Chapter  
Herrmann, Jessica  
University of Nebraska  
Josh Pruett Services, LLC  
National Association of Tobacco Outlets Inc  
Kissel Kohout ES Associates, LLC  
Elk Creek Resources Corp  
Kratz, Jeffrey P.  
University of Nebraska  
Nebraska Strategies  
Global Kratom Coalition  
Lincoln Premium Poultry  
Reaman, Darren  
Custom Electronics Design and Installation Assn.  
Rubin, Barry R.  
Omaha Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO  
Omaha Professional Firefighters Association  
Responsive Gov Action  
Zulkoski Weber LLC  
Nebraska Operators of Music and Amusements (NOMA)

### REPORTS

Agency reports electronically filed with the Legislature can be found on the [Nebraska Legislature's website](#).

### GENERAL FILE

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 400.** Committee [AM702](#), found on page 1238, First Session, 2025, and considered on pages 426, 429, 456, and 465, was renewed.

Senator Hallstrom renewed [AM1750](#), found on page 443 and considered on page 466, to the committee amendment.

The Hallstrom amendment was withdrawn.

Senator Wordekemper asked unanimous consent to withdraw [MO283](#), to recommit to the Business and Labor Committee.

No objections. So ordered.

Senator Hallstrom offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

[FA923](#)

On page 3, strike lines 29-31.

Speaker Arch requested to pass over LB400.

Pending.



**LEGISLATIVE BILL 417.** Title read. Considered.

Committee [AM748](#), found on page 1104, First Session, 2025, was offered.

The committee amendment was adopted with 25 ayes, 19 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Senator Holdcroft moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 31 ayes, 6 nays, and 12 not voting.

Failed to advance to Enrollment and Review Initial with 18 ayes, 25 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

**COMMITTEE REPORT(S)**  
Banking, Commerce and Insurance

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 718.** Placed on General File.

(Signed) Mike Jacobson, Chairperson

**NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)**  
Judiciary  
Room 1525 1:30 PM

Friday, January 30, 2026

LB1148  
LB1199  
LB1100  
LB1161  
LB1228

Room 1525 1:30 PM

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

LB871  
LB809  
LB880  
LB1230  
LB1007  
LB980

Room 1525 1:30 PM

Thursday, February 5, 2026

LB1096  
LB1123

LB1036  
LB1153  
LB1195

Room 1525 1:30 PM

Friday, February 6, 2026

LB1000  
LB1020  
LB1088  
LB1059  
LB1181

(Signed) Carolyn Bosn, Chairperson

Nebraska Retirement Systems  
Room 1524 12:00 PM

Friday, February 6, 2026

LB1166  
LB1102

(Signed) Beau Ballard, Chairperson

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

Senator Wordekemper filed the following amendment to LB400:

[FA922](#)

On page 2, line 3, strike the semicolon and insert a colon.

**GENERAL FILE**

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 653.** Senator McKinney offered [MO355](#), found on page 332, to indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

Senator Murman opened on LB653.

Senator McKinney opened on MO355.

Senator McKinney asked unanimous consent to withdraw [MO355](#), to indefinitely postpone prior to the bill being read.

No objections. So ordered.

Pending.

**NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)**

Business and Labor

Room 1200 1:30 PM

Monday, February 2, 2026

LB861  
LB744  
LB819  
LR303CA  
LB1173

(Signed) Kathleen Kauth, Chairperson

Banking, Commerce and Insurance  
Room 1507 1:30 PM

Monday, February 9, 2026

LB1185  
LB1174  
LB1119  
LB1083  
LB1160  
LB1014

Room 1507 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

LB1118  
LB1006  
LB1078  
LB1152  
LB953  
LB999  
LB1205

Room 1507 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

AM1710  
Amending LB525  
LB1003  
LB939  
LB810  
LB768  
LB1251  
LB1246

Room 1507 1:30 PM

Monday, February 23, 2026

LB987  
LB793

LB1042  
LB1035  
LB1157  
LB728  
LB1198

Room 1507 1:30 PM

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

LB805  
LB780  
LB762  
LB971  
LB1069  
LB1222  
LB1142

(Signed) Mike Jacobson, Chairperson

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

Senator Storer filed the following amendment to LB1258:

[FA925](#)

On page 1, line 10, strike "Protection" and insert "Dead Capitol"

**GENERAL FILE**

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 653.** Title read. Considered.

Committee [AM995](#), found on page 1105, First Session, 2025, was offered.

Senator McKinney asked unanimous consent to withdraw the following motions:

[MO353](#), found on page 332, to bracket until April 16, 2026.

[MO354](#), found on page 332, to recommit to the Education Committee.

No objections. So ordered.

Senator Murman asked unanimous consent to withdraw [FA107](#), found on page 1105, First Session, 2025, to the committee amendment, and replace it with substitute amendment, [AM1701](#), found on page 237 to the committee amendment. No objections. So ordered.

The Murman amendment was adopted with 33 ayes, 8 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Senator Murman withdrew the following amendments:

[FA108](#), found on page 1105, First Session, 2025, to the committee amendment.

[FA109](#), found on page 1105, First Session, 2025, to the committee amendment.

Senator McKinney withdrew [FA155](#), found on page 1268, First Session, 2025, to the committee amendment.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 34 ayes, 3 nays, 8 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

#### **SENATOR DEKAY PRESIDING**

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 30 ayes, 6 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

#### **MOTION - Suspend Rules**

Speaker Arch offered the following motion:  
Suspend Rule 3, Sec. 14, to permit the cancellation and the scheduling of public hearings with less than seven calendar days' notice.

The motion to suspend the rules prevailed with 39 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

#### **SPEAKER ARCH PRESIDING**

#### **NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)**

Judiciary  
Room 1525 1:30 PM

Thursday, January 29, 2026  
LB1178

(Signed) Carolyn Bosn, Chairperson

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT(S)**

Enrollment and Review

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 60.** Placed on Select File.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 212.** Placed on Select File with amendment.

#### **[ER94](#)**

1 1. On page 1, strike lines 2 through 5 and insert "sections 77-4004,  
2 77-4009, and 77-4014, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section  
3 77-4017, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections  
4 77-4001 and 77-4002, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to require  
5 licensure and regulation of persons engaged in remote retail sales of  
6 covered tobacco products as prescribed; to provide for taxation of such  
7 sales; to define and redefine terms; to provide an operative date; and to  
8 repeal the original sections."

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 207.** Placed on Select File.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 463.** Placed on Select File with amendment.[ER95](#)

1 1. Strike section 1 and insert the following new section:

2 Section 1. Section 68-996, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is

3 amended to read:

4 68-996 (1) The Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund is created.

5 The fund shall contain money returned to the State Treasurer pursuant to

6 subdivision (1)(c) of section 68-995.

7 (2) The fund shall first be used to offset any losses under

8 subdivision (1)(b) of section 68-995 and then to provide for (a) services

9 addressing the health needs of adults and children under the Medical

10 Assistance Act, including filling service gaps, (b) system improvements,

11 (c) evidence-based early intervention home visitation programs, (d)

12 medical respite services, (e) translation and interpretation services,

13 (f) coverage for continuous glucose monitors as described in section

14 68-911, (g) other services sustaining access to care, (h) services under

15 the Nebraska Prenatal Plus Program, (i) grants pursuant to the

16 Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Grant Program, (j) evidence-

17 based nurse home visiting services, (k) domestic violence services, (l)

18 reimbursement of the actual costs of providing eligible activities and

19 services described in section 81-2222, ~~and~~ (m) the Family Resource and

20 Juvenile Assessment Center Pilot Program, ~~and (n) grants for costs~~

21 ~~associated with a cardiac emergency response plan pursuant to section 7~~

22 ~~of this act~~, as determined by the Legislature. The fund shall only be

23 used for the purposes described in this section.

24 (3) Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested

25 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital

26 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act. Beginning

27 October 1, 2024, any investment earnings from investment of money in the

1 fund shall be credited to the General Fund.

2 2. On page 1, line 4, strike "Cumulative Supplement, 2024" and

3 insert "Supplement, 2025"; in line 8 after "Reporting" insert "System";

4 and in line 11 after "school" insert "districts".

5 3. On page 10, line 16, strike "Cumulative Supplement, 2024" and

6 insert "Supplement, 2025".

(Signed) Dunixi Guereca, Chairperson

**GENERAL FILE****LEGISLATIVE BILL 203.** Title read. Considered.

Committee [AM611](#) found on page 820, First Session, 2025, was offered.

Pending.

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

Senator Spivey filed the following amendment to [LB441](#):

[FA924](#)

On page 1, section 2 (ii), strike "personnel" and insert "contractor".

Senator Fredrickson filed the following amendment to [LB203](#):

[AM1781](#)

1 1. On page 8, line 23, strike "the next regularly scheduled meeting  
 2 of the board" and insert "a regular or emergency meeting of the board.  
 3 Any duties required to be carried out by a public body under this  
 4 subdivision may be completed using virtual conferencing when permitted  
 5 under subsection (7) of section 84-1411. For purposes of this  
 6 subdivision, written includes electronic records or documents".  
 7 2. On page 9, line 26, strike "the next regularly scheduled meeting  
 8 of the board" and insert "a regular or emergency meeting of the board.  
 9 Any duties required to be carried out by a public body under this  
 10 subdivision may be completed using virtual conferencing when permitted  
 11 under subsection (7) of section 84-1411. For purposes of this  
 12 subdivision, written or in writing includes electronic records or  
 13 documents".

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

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following motion to [LB774](#):

[MO363](#)

Withdraw LB774.

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following motion to [LB775](#):

[MO364](#)

Withdraw LB775.

**RESOLUTION(S)**

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 318.** Introduced by Hughes, 24.

WHEREAS, One thousand seven hundred Nebraska citizens have been elected to serve on local public school and Education Service Unit boards throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, board members have a responsibility to lead towards a vision that meets the current and future needs of Nebraska's students; and

WHEREAS, local boards of education are a uniquely American institution that have made public schools both flexible and responsible to the needs of local communities, our state, and our nation while keeping alive the American ideal of representative government; and

WHEREAS, all Nebraskans should recognize and acknowledge the significant contributions made by our locally elected, volunteer school board and Education Service Unit members, who work to ensure the delivery of quality education to Nebraska's children.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes January 25, 2026, through January 31, 2026, as School Board Member Week.

2. That the Legislature encourages all citizens to take note of such observance.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 319.** Introduced by Hughes, 24.

WHEREAS, the 2025 Great Plains Athletic Conference Soccer Championship was held on November 11, 2025, at Bulldog Stadium in Seward, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the Concordia University Bulldogs defeated the Morningside College Mustangs 2-1 after an uncommon season and slow start to the conference; and

WHEREAS, this is the Bulldogs first time in program history that the Great Plains Athletic Conference Championship title was won at the Bulldog's home stadium; 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 collegiate students of our state.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes the Concordia University men's soccer team for winning the 2025 Great Plains Athletic Conference Soccer Championship title.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Concordia University men's soccer team.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 320.** Introduced by Spivey, 13; McKinney, 11.

WHEREAS, the Omaha North High Magnet School girls varsity basketball team achieved an outstanding athletic accomplishment by winning the Metro Holiday Tournament; and

WHEREAS, the Metro Holiday Tournament is one of the most competitive high school basketball tournaments in Nebraska, featuring top programs from across the Omaha metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, the Omaha North Lady Vikings defeated Omaha Westview by a score of 56 to 43 in the championship game to secure the tournament title; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of head coach Michaela Dailey the Lady Vikings demonstrated exceptional teamwork, discipline, and perseverance throughout the tournament; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Omaha North varsity girls basketball program reflects the dedication of its student-athletes, coaching staff, families, educators, and the broader Omaha community; and

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

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



1. That the Legislature congratulates the Omaha North High Magnet School girls varsity basketball team on winning the Metro Holiday Tournament.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Omaha North High Magnet School to commemorate this significant achievement.

Laid over.

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 321.** Introduced by Bosn, 25.

WHEREAS, Joshua Bush of Nebraska represented Nebraska and the United States as a member of Team USA at the 2025 Veteran Fencing World Championships, an international competition bringing together the world's best veteran fencers, aged forty and above, competing across all three fencing weapons in both individual and team events; and

WHEREAS, Joshua, competing as part of Team USA, earned a bronze medal by placing third in the men's saber team event; and

WHEREAS, Joshua further distinguished himself by finishing among the top eight competitors in the men's saber individual event; and

WHEREAS, Joshua's accomplishments reflect a sustained commitment to athletic excellence, sportsmanship, and lifelong competition, and he further contributes to his community by volunteering his time and expertise as a coach at the Lincoln Fencing Club; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of Nebraska recognizes the importance of honoring citizens whose accomplishments reflect positively on our state and inspire others through dedication and service.

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

1. That the Legislature hereby congratulates Joshua Bush on his noteworthy achievements at the 2025 Veteran Fencing World Championships and his representation of Nebraska and the United States on the international stage.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Joshua Bush.

Laid over.

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

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

Senator Raybould name added to LB548.

Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB740.

Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB744.

Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB753.

Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB755.

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Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB762.

Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB773.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB779.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB780.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB805.  
Senator Hardin name added to LB814.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB825.  
Senator Conrad name added to LB826.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB827.  
Senator Hallstrom name added to LB833.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB855.  
Senator Hardin name added to LB868.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB878.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB880.  
Senator Conrad name added to LB882.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB938.  
Senator Hardin name added to LB938.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB970.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB971.  
Senator Juarez name added to LB974.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB984.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB1017.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB1087.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB1088.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB1097.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB1147.  
Senator Dungan name added to LB1186.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB1215.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB1217.  
Senator J. Cavanaugh name added to LB1237.

#### **VISITOR(S)**

Visitors to the Chamber were Naasir Spivey, Omaha; Tom, Henry, and Boone Wiens.

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 11:52 a.m., on a motion by Senator Conrad, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Monday, January 26, 2026.

Brandon Metzler  
Clerk of the Legislature