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Friday, February 27, 2026

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Mark Smith, Royal Family Church, Omaha.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Lonowski.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., President Kelly presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Moser who was excused; and Senators M. Cavanaugh and Hunt who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the thirty-fourth day was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Urban Affairs

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1041. Placed on General File with amendment.

[AM2172](#)

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 sections:
3 Section 1. Section 19-5504, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
4 2024, is amended to read:
5 19-5504 (1) On or before July 1, 2021, and by each July 1 every two
6 years thereafter, each city shall electronically submit a report to the
7 Urban Affairs Committee of the Legislature detailing its efforts to
8 address the availability of and incentives for affordable housing through
9 its zoning codes, ordinances, and regulations. Such report shall include,
10 but not be limited to:
11 (a) An overview of the city's current residential zoning

12 requirements;
 13 (b) The percentage of areas within the corporate limits of the city
 14 zoned for residential use which permit the construction of multifamily
 15 housing and middle housing, including whether such areas are zoned
 16 specifically for residential use or generally allow residential use, and
 17 whether such construction is permitted with or without any additional
 18 permit requirements;
 19 (c) A breakdown of new residential construction within the corporate
 20 limits of the city over the previous five years, including the percentage
 21 of such construction that was single-family housing, multifamily housing,
 22 and middle housing;
 23 (d) A breakdown of residential units annexed by the city over the
 24 previous five years, including the percentage of such units that were
 25 single-family housing, multifamily housing, and middle housing;
 26 (e) An estimate of the per-unit cost of housing within the corporate
 27 limits of the city;
 1 (f) Whether such zoning codes, ordinances, and regulations provide
 2 for density bonuses or other concessions or incentives which encourage
 3 residential density, and the frequency with which such bonuses,
 4 concessions, or incentives are utilized;
 5 (g) Whether such zoning codes, ordinances, and regulations allow the
 6 construction of accessory dwelling units, what efforts have been made by
 7 the city to expand the use of accessory dwelling units, what obstacles
 8 exist to allowing more accessory dwelling units in the city and any
 9 strategies to overcome those obstacles, and which areas of the city allow
 10 for accessory dwelling units by right;
 11 (h) What incentives the city applies to encourage the development of
 12 affordable housing, including both direct incentives and regulatory
 13 relief;
 14 (i) The percentage of areas within the corporate limits of the city
 15 zoned for residential use which have been declared substandard and
 16 blighted areas under the Community Development Law;
 17 (j) The percentage of areas within the corporate limits of the city
 18 zoned for residential use which have been declared extremely blighted
 19 areas under the Community Development Law;
 20 (k) A demographic analysis of the city with trends and estimates of
 21 the housing need classified by housing type and price range; ~~and~~
 22 (l) Efforts to adopt an affordable housing action plan as required
 23 under section 19-5505 or efforts to implement an affordable housing
 24 action plan after such plan is adopted; ~~and~~;
 25 (m) Recommendations on actions that the state could take to assist
 26 cities in the construction of affordable housing.
 27 (2) The Urban Affairs Committee of the Legislature may require any
 28 city to present its report to the committee at a public hearing.
 29 Sec. 2. Original section 19-5504, Revised Statutes Cumulative
 30 Supplement, 2024, is repealed.

(Signed) Terrell McKinney, Chairperson

Education

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1224. Placed on General File with amendment.

[AM2228](#)

1 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments thereto and
 2 insert the following new sections:
 3 Section 1. Section 28-710, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is
 4 amended to read:
 5 28-710 (1) Sections 28-710 to 28-727 ~~and section 2 of this act shall~~
 6 be known and may be cited as the Child Protection and Family Safety Act.

7 (2) For purposes of the Child Protection and Family Safety Act:

8 (a) Alternative response means a comprehensive assessment of (i)

9 child safety, (ii) the risk of future child abuse or neglect, (iii)

10 family strengths and needs, and (iv) the provision of or referral for

11 necessary services and support. Alternative response is an alternative to

12 traditional response and does not include an investigation or a formal

13 determination as to whether child abuse or neglect has occurred, and the

14 subject of the report shall not be entered into the central registry of

15 child protection cases maintained pursuant to section 28-718;

16 (b) Child abuse or neglect means knowingly, intentionally, or

17 negligently causing or permitting a minor child to be:

18 (i) Placed in a situation that endangers his or her life or physical

19 or mental health;

20 (ii) Cruelly confined or cruelly punished;

21 (iii) Deprived of necessary food, clothing, shelter, or care;

22 (iv) Left unattended in a motor vehicle if such minor child is six

23 years of age or younger;

24 (v) Placed in a situation to be sexually abused;

25 (vi) Placed in a situation to be sexually exploited through sex

26 trafficking of a minor as defined in section 28-830 or by allowing,

27 encouraging, or forcing such person to engage in debauchery, public

1 indecency, or obscene or pornographic photography, films, or depictions;

2 or

3 (vii) Placed in a situation to be a trafficking victim as defined in

4 section 28-830;

5 (c) Child advocacy center means a community-based organization that

6 (i) provides an appropriate site for conducting forensic interviews as

7 defined in section 28-728 and referring victims of child abuse or neglect

8 and appropriate caregivers for such victims to needed evaluation,

9 services, and supports, (ii) assists county attorneys in facilitating

10 case reviews, developing and updating protocols, and arranging training

11 opportunities for the teams established pursuant to sections 28-728 and

12 28-729, and (iii) is a member, in good standing, of a state chapter as

13 defined in 34 U.S.C. 20302;

14 (d) Comprehensive assessment means an analysis of child safety, risk

15 of future child abuse or neglect, and family strengths and needs on a

16 report of child abuse or neglect using an evidence-informed and validated

17 tool. Comprehensive assessment does not include a finding as to whether

18 the child abuse or neglect occurred but does determine the need for

19 services and support, if any, to address the safety of children and the

20 risk of future abuse or neglect;

21 (e) Department means the Department of Health and Human Services;

22 (f) Educational decisionmaker has the same meaning as in section

23 79-530;

24 (g) Exempt school means a school which elects pursuant to section

25 79-1601 not to meet accreditation or approval requirements;

26 (h)(f) Investigation means fact gathering by the department, using

27 an evidence-informed and validated tool, or by law enforcement related to

28 the current safety of a child and the risk of future child abuse or

29 neglect that determines whether child abuse or neglect has occurred and

30 whether child protective services are needed;

31 (i)(g) Kin caregiver means a person with whom a child in foster care

1 has been placed or with whom a child is residing pursuant to a temporary

2 living arrangement in a non-court-involved case, who has previously lived

3 with or is a trusted adult that has a preexisting, significant

4 relationship with the child or with a sibling of such child placed

5 pursuant to section 43-1311.02;

6 (j)(h) Law enforcement agency means the police department or town

7 marshal in incorporated municipalities, the office of the sheriff in

8 unincorporated areas, and the Nebraska State Patrol;

9 (k)(+) Member of a military family means an individual who is:

10 (i) Serving active duty service in the armed forces of the United
11 States, including any reserve component or the National Guard; or
12 (ii) Is a dependent, as defined in 50 U.S.C. 3911, of a person

13 described in subdivision (2)(k)(i)(2)(i)(+) of this section;

14 (l)(+) Non-court-involved case means an ongoing case opened by the
15 department following a report of child abuse or neglect in which the
16 department has determined that ongoing services are required to maintain
17 the safety of a child or alleviate the risk of future abuse or neglect
18 and in which the family voluntarily engages in child protective services
19 without a filing in a juvenile court;

20 (m)(k) Out-of-home child abuse or neglect means child abuse or
21 neglect occurring outside of a child's family home, including in day care
22 homes, foster homes, day care centers, residential child-caring agencies
23 as defined in section 71-1926, other child care facilities or
24 institutions, and the community. Out-of-home child abuse or neglect also
25 includes cases in which the subject of the report of child abuse or
26 neglect is not a member of the child's household, no longer has access to
27 the child, is unknown, or cannot be identified;

28 (n)(4) Relative caregiver means a person with whom a child is placed
29 by the department and who is related to the child, or to a sibling of
30 such child pursuant to section 43-1311.02, by blood, marriage, or
31 adoption or, in the case of an Indian child, is an extended family member
1 as defined in section 43-1503;

2 (o)(m) Report means any communication received by the department or
3 a law enforcement agency pursuant to the Child Protection and Family
4 Safety Act that describes child abuse or neglect and contains sufficient
5 content to identify the child who is the alleged victim of child abuse or
6 neglect;

7 (p)(n) Review, Evaluate, and Decide Team means an internal team of
8 staff within the department and shall include no fewer than two
9 supervisors or administrators and two staff members knowledgeable on the
10 policies and practices of the department, including, but not limited to,
11 the structured review process. County attorneys, child advocacy centers,
12 or law enforcement agency personnel may attend team reviews upon request
13 of a party;

14 (q)(e) School employee means a person nineteen years of age or older
15 who is employed by a public, private, denominational, or parochial school
16 approved or accredited by the State Department of Education;

17 (r)(p) Student means a person less than nineteen years of age
18 enrolled in or attending a public, private, denominational, or parochial
19 school approved or accredited by the State Department of Education, or
20 who was such a person enrolled in or who attended such a school within
21 ninety days of any violation of section 28-316.01;

22 (s)(q) Traditional response means an investigation by a law
23 enforcement agency or the department pursuant to section 28-713 which
24 requires a formal determination of whether child abuse or neglect has
25 occurred; and

26 (t)(*) Subject of the report of child abuse or neglect or subject of
27 the report means the person or persons identified in the report as
28 responsible for the child abuse or neglect.

29 Sec. 2. (1) The subject of a substantiated report of child abuse or
30 neglect shall not be permitted to transfer or otherwise disenroll a
31 student for whom such subject is a parent, legal guardian, or educational
1 decisionmaker from the student's current school until the filing of a
2 petition under the Nebraska Juvenile Code or fourteen days after
3 notification to the subject of the report pursuant to section 28-713.01,
4 whichever occurs first.

5 (2) For any substantiated report involving a subject who is a parent
6 of a student, legal guardian of a student, or educational decisionmaker

7 for a student, the department shall notify each such student's current
8 school and the Commissioner of Education that such student shall not be
9 transferred or otherwise disenrolled from such school by a parent, legal
10 guardian, or educational decisionmaker until further notice and that any
11 new election filed under section 79-1601 for such student to attend an
12 exempt school shall be invalid until further notice.

13 (3) If an election is filed under section 79-1601 in violation of
14 this section or if such student's current school receives a request to
15 transfer or disenroll such student, the Commissioner of Education or the
16 school shall immediately notify the department of the filing or the
17 request and that such notice is being given pursuant to this section.

18 (4) Upon the filing of a petition under the Nebraska Juvenile Code
19 or fourteen days after notification to the subject of the report pursuant
20 to section 28-713.01, whichever occurs first, the department shall notify
21 such student's current school and the Commissioner of Education that
22 there is no longer a restriction under subsection (2) of this section.

23 (5) Notices pursuant to this section are confidential investigation
24 records and shall not contain any information other than the name of the
25 student and whether or not to allow such student to transfer or otherwise
26 disenroll from the school pursuant to this section.

27 (6) The department may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to
28 carry out this section.

29 Sec. 3. Section 79-1601, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
30 amended to read:

31 79-1601 (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) through (6) of
1 this section, all private, denominational, and parochial schools in the
2 State of Nebraska and all teachers employed or giving instruction in such
3 schools shall be subject to and governed by the provisions of the general
4 school laws of the state so far as the same apply to grades,
5 qualifications, and certification of teachers and promotion of students.
6 All private, denominational, and parochial schools shall have adequate
7 equipment and supplies, shall be graded the same, and shall have courses
8 of study for each grade conducted in such schools substantially the same
9 as those given in the public schools which the students would attend in
10 the absence of such private, denominational, or parochial schools.

11 (2) All private, denominational, or parochial schools shall either
12 comply with the accreditation or approval requirements as prescribed
13 pursuant to section 79-318 or, for those schools which elect not to meet
14 accreditation or approval requirements, the requirements prescribed in
15 subsections (2) through (6) of this section. Standards and procedures for
16 approval and accreditation shall be based upon the program of studies,
17 guidance services, the number and preparation of teachers in relation to
18 the curriculum and enrollment, instructional materials and equipment,
19 science facilities and equipment, library facilities and materials, and
20 health and safety factors in buildings and grounds. Rules and regulations
21 governing procedures for private, denominational, and parochial schools
22 which elect, pursuant to the procedures prescribed in subsections (2)
23 through (6) of this section, not to meet state accreditation or approval
24 requirements shall be based upon an assurance that such schools offer a
25 program of instruction leading to the acquisition of basic skills in the
26 language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, and health. The
27 assurance required pursuant to this subsection shall be satisfied by a
28 signed statement by the parent, legal guardian, or educational
29 decisionmaker of a student that the education provided complies with
30 subsections (2) through (6) of this section. Rules and regulations which
31 govern procedures under this section are limited to procedures for
1 receiving information from a parent, legal guardian, or educational
2 decisionmaker of a student or a parent representative when such
3 individual files the election not to meet accreditation or approval
4 requirements under this section and procedures for carrying out section 2

5 of this act.

6 (3) The provisions of subsections (3) through (6) of this section
 7 shall apply to any private, denominational, or parochial school in the
 8 State of Nebraska which elects not to meet state accreditation or
 9 approval requirements. Except as provided in section 2 of this act, an
 10 election pursuant to such subsections shall be effective when a statement
 11 is received by the Commissioner of Education signed by a parent, legal
 12 guardian, or educational decisionmaker of each student attending such
 13 private, denominational, or parochial school, stating that (a) either
 14 specifically (i) the requirements for approval and accreditation required
 15 by law and the rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the State
 16 Board of Education violate sincerely held religious beliefs of the
 17 parent, legal guardian, or educational decisionmaker or (ii) the
 18 requirements for approval and accreditation required by law and the rules
 19 and regulations adopted and promulgated by the State Board of Education
 20 interfere with the decisions of the parent, legal guardian, or
 21 educational decisionmaker in directing the student's education, (b) an
 22 authorized representative of such parent, legal guardian, or educational
 23 decisionmaker will annually submit to the Commissioner of Education an
 24 assurance that the requirements of subdivisions (4)(a) through (c) of
 25 this section are and will continue to be satisfied, (c) the school offers
 26 the courses of instruction required by subsections (2), (3), and (4) of
 27 this section, and (d) the parent, legal guardian, or educational
 28 decisionmaker is satisfied that individuals monitoring instruction at
 29 such school are qualified to monitor instruction in the basic skills as
 30 required by subsections (2), (3), ~~and (4)~~, and (5) of this section.
 31 (4) Each such private, denominational, or parochial school shall (a)
 1 meet minimum requirements relating to health, fire, and safety standards
 2 prescribed by state law and the rules and regulations of the State Fire
 3 Marshal, (b) report attendance pursuant to section 79-201, (c) maintain a
 4 sequential program of instruction designed to lead to basic skills in the
 5 language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, and health, and (d)
 6 comply with the immunization requirements in section 79-217 if the
 7 statement signed by the parent, legal guardian, or educational
 8 decisionmaker indicates a nonreligious reason pursuant to subdivision (3)
 9 (a)(ii) of this section for the student attending a private,
 10 denominational, or parochial school which elects not to meet state
 11 accreditation or approval requirements. The State Board of Education
 12 shall establish procedures for receiving information and reports required
 13 by subsections (3) through (6) of this section from authorized parent
 14 representatives who may act as agents for the parent, legal guardian, or
 15 educational decisionmaker of a student attending such schools.
 16 ~~(5)(a)(5)~~ Individuals employed or utilized by schools which elect
 17 not to meet state accreditation or approval requirements shall not be
 18 required to meet the certification requirements prescribed in sections
 19 79-801 to 79-815.
 20 (b) Individuals monitoring or providing instruction at a school
 21 which elects not to meet state accreditation or approval requirements
 22 shall not have been convicted of any felony offense under sections 28-319
 23 to 28-322.05 or section 28-316.01, 28-323, 28-703, or 28-707.
 24 (6) Any school which elects not to meet state accreditation or
 25 approval requirements and does not meet the requirements of subsections
 26 (2) through (6) of this section shall not be deemed a school, and the
 27 parent, legal guardian, or educational decisionmaker of any students
 28 attending such school shall be subject to prosecution pursuant to section
 29 79-201 or any statutes relating to habitual truancy.
 30 (7) For purposes of this section, educational decisionmaker means a
 31 person designated or ordered by a court to make educational decisions on
 1 behalf of a child.
 2 Sec. 4. Original section 79-1601, Reissue Revised Statutes of

3 Nebraska, and section 28-710, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, are
4 repealed.

(Signed) Dave Murman, Chairperson

REPORT OF REGISTERED LOBBYISTS

Following is a list of all lobbyists who have registered as of February 26, 2026, in accordance with Section 49-1481, Revised Statutes of Nebraska. Additional lobbyists who have registered will be filed weekly.

Hack Merlo, Rachel
Google LLC and its Affiliates (Withdrawn 02/20/2026)
Koenen, Kristopher
Americans for Prosperity
Nebraska Strategies
Tesla, Inc.
Rubin, Barry R.
Hageman Capital
Salazar, Miguel
American Clean Power Association (ACP)
Tabor, Noah
United Church Funds (UCF)

(Signed) Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

REPORTS

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

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1001A. Title read. Considered.

Senator Holdcroft offered [AM2175](#) found on page 798.

The Holdcroft amendment was adopted with 36 ayes, 0 nays, 10 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 36 ayes, 0 nays, 10 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1127A. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 40 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

MOTION(S) - Confirmation Report(s)

Senator Holdcroft moved the adoption of the General Affairs Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 802:

Nebraska Arts Council
 Brenda Davis
 Crystal Dunning
 Shari Hofschire
 Timothy Jeffrey
 Lori Williams

Voting in the affirmative, 40:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Lippincott	Rountree
Arch	Conrad	Hardin	Meyer, F.	Sanders
Armendariz	DeKay	Holdcroft	Meyer, G.	Sorrentino
Ballard	Dover	Hughes	Murman	Storer
Bostar	Dungan	Ibach	Prokop	Storm
Brandt	Fredrickson	Jacobson	Quick	Strommen
Cavanaugh, J.	Guereca	Juarez	Raybould	von Gillern
Clements	Hallstrom	Kauth	Riepe	Wordekemper

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 7:

Bosn	Dorn	Lonowski	Spivey
DeBoer	Hunt	McKinney	

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointments were confirmed with 40 ayes, 0 nays, 7 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Holdcroft moved the adoption of the General Affairs Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 802:

State Racing and Gaming Commission
 Randall Conroy

Voting in the affirmative, 40:

Andersen	Clouse	Hallstrom	Kauth	Sanders
Arch	Conrad	Hansen	Lippincott	Sorrentino
Ballard	DeBoer	Hardin	Lonowski	Spivey
Bosn	DeKay	Holdcroft	Murman	Storer
Bostar	Dover	Hughes	Prokop	Storm
Brandt	Dungan	Ibach	Quick	Strommen
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Jacobson	Raybould	von Gillern
Clements	Guereca	Juarez	Rountree	Wordekemper

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 7:

Armendariz	Hunt	Meyer, F.	Riepe
Dorn	McKinney	Meyer, G.	

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointment was confirmed with 40 ayes, 0 nays, 7 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Holdcroft moved the adoption of the General Affairs Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 802:

State Electrical Board
Boyd L Pedersen
Tyler C Ritz

Voting in the affirmative, 44:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders
Arch	Conrad	Hardin	Meyer, F.	Sorrentino
Armendariz	DeKay	Holdcroft	Meyer, G.	Spivey
Ballard	Dorn	Hughes	Murman	Storer
Bosn	Dover	Ibach	Prokop	Storm
Bostar	Dungan	Jacobson	Quick	Strommen
Brandt	Fredrickson	Juarez	Raybould	von Gillern
Cavanaugh, J.	Guereca	Kauth	Riepe	Wordekemper
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Rountree	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 3:

DeBoer	Hunt	McKinney
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Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointments were confirmed with 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator DeKay moved the adoption of the Agriculture Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 810:

Nebraska Brand Committee
Susan J Connell

Voting in the affirmative, 38:

Andersen	Clouse	Hughes	Meyer, F.	Spivey
Arch	Conrad	Hunt	Meyer, G.	Storer
Ballard	Dorn	Ibach	Murman	Storm
Bosn	Dover	Jacobson	Prokop	Strommen
Bostar	Guereca	Juarez	Quick	von Gillern
Brandt	Hallstrom	Kauth	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, J.	Hansen	Lippincott	Riepe	
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sorrentino	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 9:

Armendariz	DeKay	Fredrickson	McKinney	Sanders
DeBoer	Dungan	Holdcroft	Rountree	

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointment was confirmed with 38 ayes, 0 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator DeKay moved the adoption of the Agriculture Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 810:

State Fair Board
Mark Hesser

Voting in the affirmative, 36:

Ballard	Dorn	Ibach	Murman	Storm
Bosn	Dover	Jacobson	Prokop	Strommen
Brandt	Fredrickson	Juarez	Quick	von Gillern
Clements	Guereca	Kauth	Raybould	Wordekemper
Clouse	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Riepe	
Conrad	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders	
DeBoer	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Spivey	
DeKay	Hunt	Meyer, G.	Storer	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 11:

Andersen	Bostar	Hardin	Rountree
Arch	Cavanaugh, J.	Hughes	Sorrentino
Armendariz	Dungan	McKinney	

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointment was confirmed with 36 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Murman moved the adoption of the Education Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 814:

Board of Educational Lands and Funds
Jon Abegglen

Voting in the affirmative, 35:

Arch	DeKay	Holdcroft	Lippincott	Riepe
Armendariz	Dorn	Hughes	Lonowski	Sanders
Bosn	Dover	Hunt	Meyer, F.	Storer
Brandt	Fredrickson	Ibach	Meyer, G.	Storm
Cavanaugh, J.	Guereca	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Clements	Hallstrom	Juarez	Prokop	von Gillern
Clouse	Hansen	Kauth	Quick	Wordekemper

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 12:

Andersen	Conrad	Hardin	Rountree
Ballard	DeBoer	McKinney	Sorrentino
Bostar	Dungan	Raybould	Spivey

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointment was confirmed with 35 ayes, 0 nays, 12 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Murman moved the adoption of the Education Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 814:

Technical Advisory Committee for Statewide Assessment
Chad W Buckendahl
Joshua Fields

Voting in the affirmative, 32:

Ballard	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer, F.	Storer
Bosn	Dorn	Hunt	Meyer, G.	Storm
Brandt	Dover	Ibach	Murman	Strommen
Cavanaugh, J.	Hallstrom	Jacobson	Prokop	von Gillern
Clements	Hansen	Kauth	Quick	
Clouse	Hardin	Lippincott	Riepe	
Conrad	Holdercroft	Lonowski	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 15:

Andersen	Bostar	Fredrickson	McKinney	Sorrentino
Arch	DeBoer	Guereca	Raybould	Spivey
Armendariz	Dungan	Juarez	Rountree	Wordekemper

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointments were confirmed with 32 ayes, 0 nays, 15 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Murman moved the adoption of the Education Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 814:

Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
Paul J Von Behren
William Wilson

Voting in the affirmative, 35:

Arch	Clements	Holdcroft	Lippincott	Riepe
Armendariz	Clouse	Hughes	Lonowski	Sanders
Ballard	Conrad	Hunt	Meyer, F.	Storer
Bosn	Dorn	Ibach	Meyer, G.	Storm
Bostar	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Brandt	Dungan	Juarez	Prokop	von Gillern
Cavanaugh, J.	Hansen	Kauth	Quick	Wordekemper

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 12:

Andersen	Fredrickson	Hardin	Rountree
DeBoer	Guereca	McKinney	Sorrentino
DeKay	Hallstrom	Raybould	Spivey

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointments were confirmed with 35 ayes, 0 nays, 12 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Brandt moved the adoption of the Natural Resources Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 831:

Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
Dallen R Juelfs

Voting in the affirmative, 36:

Andersen	Clouse	Ibach	Murman	Storer
Arch	Conrad	Jacobson	Quick	Storm
Armendariz	Dorn	Juarez	Raybould	von Gillern
Ballard	Dungan	Kauth	Riepe	Wordekemper
Bostar	Hansen	Lippincott	Rountree	
Brandt	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	
Cavanaugh, J.	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Sorrentino	
Clements	Hunt	Meyer, G.	Spivey	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 11:

Bosn	Dover	Hallstrom	Prokop
DeBoer	Fredrickson	Hughes	Strommen
DeKay	Guereca	McKinney	

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointment was confirmed with 36 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Brandt moved the adoption of the Natural Resources Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on page 831:

Environmental Quality Council
Lynn Mayhew
Amy Staples

Voting in the affirmative, 41:

Andersen	Clouse	Hunt	Murman	Storer
Arch	Conrad	Ibach	Prokop	Storm
Armendariz	DeKay	Jacobson	Quick	Strommen
Ballard	Dorn	Juarez	Raybould	von Gillern
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Riepe	Wordekemper
Bostar	Hansen	Lippincott	Rountree	
Brandt	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	
Cavanaugh, J.	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Sorrentino	
Clements	Hughes	Meyer, G.	Spivey	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 6:

DeBoer	Dungan	Guereca
Dover	Fredrickson	McKinney

Excused and not voting, 2:

Cavanaugh, M. Moser

The appointments were confirmed with 41 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Judiciary

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1055. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1084. Placed on General File.

(Signed) Carolyn Bosn, Chairperson

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Judiciary

Room 1524 12:00 PM

Thursday, March 5, 2026
AM2313 Amending LB1096

(Signed) Carolyn Bosn, Chairperson

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator von Gillern filed the following amendment to LB954:
[AM2209](#)

1 1. Strike section 2 and insert the following new section:
2 Sec. 2. (1) If a taxpayer who has met the required levels of
3 employment and investment contained in an agreement for a tier 6 project
4 sells or transfers a portion of the business operations that were subject
5 to such agreement, whether through a sale or other disposition pursuant
6 to section 355 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and the business
7 operations that were sold or transferred continue to operate under an
8 entity that is not part of the same unitary group as the taxpayer, the
9 Department of Revenue shall recalculate the taxpayer's base-year
10 employees by subtracting the number of equivalent employees employed at
11 the business operations that were sold or transferred from the number of
12 base-year employees calculated for the taxpayer on the last Form 312N
13 filed prior to the date of the sale or transfer.
14 (2) This section shall not apply:
15 (a) If the business operations that were sold or transferred as
16 described in subsection (1) of this section cease all operations within
17 twenty-four months after the date of the sale or transfer; or
18 (b) If the primary business purpose of the sale or transfer
19 described in subsection (1) of this section was to close a location.
20 (3) Any credits or other incentives generated prior to a sale or
21 transfer described in subsection (1) of this section shall not be
22 recalculated.
23 (4) This section applies to agreements entered into after December
24 31, 2016.

BILLS ON FINAL READING

The following bill was read and put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 548.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to natural gas systems; to provide for cities of the first and second classes and villages to contract with industrial users of natural gas; and to provide requirements for such contracts.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 47:

Andersen	Clouse	Hardin	McKinney	Sorrentino
Arch	Conrad	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Spivey
Armendariz	DeBoer	Hughes	Meyer, G.	Storer
Ballard	DeKay	Hunt	Murman	Storm
Bosn	Dorn	Ibach	Prokop	Strommen
Bostar	Dover	Jacobson	Quick	von Gillern
Brandt	Dungan	Juarez	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Kauth	Riepe	
Cavanaugh, M.	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Rountree	
Clements	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 1:

Guereca*

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

*Senator was Present Not Voting at the time of the recorded vote (Rule 6, Sec. 9).

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

Dispense With Reading at Large

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB70 with 44 ayes, 1 nay, 3 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 70.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to children and families; to amend sections 43-104.15, 43-107, 43-512.04, 43-1402, 43-1404, 43-1405, and 43-1410, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 43-101, 43-101.01, 43-102, 43-104, 43-104.08, 43-104.13, and 43-2924, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 43-1401, Revised Statutes Supplement,

2025; to provide for adoption by a second adult person; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to consent to adoption, home studies, terminology, child support and medical support, and the applicability of the Parenting Act; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 47:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Lonowski	Sorrentino
Arch	Conrad	Hardin	McKinney	Spivey
Armendariz	DeBoer	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Storer
Ballard	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer, G.	Storm
Bosn	Dorn	Hunt	Prokop	Strommen
Bostar	Dover	Ibach	Quick	von Gillern
Brandt	Dungan	Jacobson	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Juarez	Riepe	
Cavanaugh, M.	Guereca	Kauth	Rountree	
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 1:

Murman*

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

*Senator was Present Not Voting at the time of the recorded vote (Rule 6, Sec. 9).

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

The following bill was read and put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 110.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to define terms; to state findings; and to provide requirements for intimate examinations as prescribed.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 48:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders
Arch	Conrad	Hardin	McKinney	Sorrentino
Armendariz	DeBoer	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Spivey
Ballard	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer, G.	Storer
Bosn	Dorn	Hunt	Murman	Storm
Bostar	Dover	Ibach	Prokop	Strommen
Brandt	Dungan	Jacobson	Quick	von Gillern
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Juarez	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, M.	Guereca	Kauth	Riepe	
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Rountree	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

MOTION(S) - Recommit LB653 to Committee

Senator McKinney offered the following motion:

[MO468](#)

Recommit to the Education Committee.

Senator McKinney asked unanimous consent to withdraw his motion to recommit to committee.

No objections. So ordered.

BILLS ON FINAL READING

Dispense With Reading at Large

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB653 with 42 ayes, 5 nays, 1 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 653.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend sections 79-238, 79-265, 79-265.01, and 79-268, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to acceptance of students under the enrollment option program; to change provisions relating to requirements for disciplining students under the Student Discipline Act; and to repeal the original sections.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 33:

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

Voting in the negative, 15:

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

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

The following bills were read and put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 741.

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.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 48:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders
Arch	Conrad	Hardin	McKinney	Sorrentino
Armendariz	DeBoer	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Spivey
Ballard	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer, G.	Storer
Bosn	Dorn	Hunt	Murman	Storm
Bostar	Dover	Ibach	Prokop	Strommen
Brandt	Dungan	Jacobson	Quick	von Gillern
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Juarez	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, M.	Guereca	Kauth	Riepe	
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Rountree	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 751.

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

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 47:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	McKinney	Sorrentino
Arch	Conrad	Hardin	Meyer, F.	Spivey
Armendariz	DeBoer	Holdcroft	Meyer, G.	Storer
Ballard	DeKay	Hughes	Murman	Storm
Bosn	Dorn	Hunt	Prokop	Strommen
Bostar	Dover	Ibach	Quick	von Gillern
Brandt	Dungan	Jacobson	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Juarez	Riepe	
Cavanaugh, M.	Guereca	Kauth	Rountree	
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 1:

Lonowski*

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

*Senator was Present Not Voting at the time of the recorded vote (Rule 6, Sec. 9).

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

Dispense With Reading at Large

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB783 with 44 ayes, 1 nay, 3 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 783.

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.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 48:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders
Arch	Conrad	Hardin	McKinney	Sorrentino
Armendariz	DeBoer	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Spivey
Ballard	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer, G.	Storer
Bosn	Dorn	Hunt	Murman	Storm
Bostar	Dover	Ibach	Prokop	Strommen
Brandt	Dungan	Jacobson	Quick	von Gillern
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Juarez	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, M.	Guereca	Kauth	Riepe	
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Rountree	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

MOTION(S) - Recommit LB807 to Committee

Senator M. Cavanaugh offered the following motion:

[MO471](#)

Recommit to the Agriculture Committee.

Senator M. Cavanaugh asked unanimous consent to withdraw her motion to recommit to committee.

No objections. So ordered.

BILLS ON FINAL READING**Dispense With Reading at Large**

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB807 with 44 ayes, 1 nay, 2 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 807.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to riparian vegetation management; to amend sections 2-945.01 and 2-958.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 61-218, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to eliminate the Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force; to change the uses of the Water Resources Cash Fund; to provide for grants for the removal of certain riparian vegetation and for certain equipment; to provide duties for the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment; to define terms; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 2-970, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 2-969, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 39:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders
Arch	DeBoer	Hardin	Meyer, F.	Sorrentino
Armendariz	DeKay	Holdcroft	Meyer, G.	Storer
Ballard	Dorn	Hughes	Murman	Storm
Bosn	Dover	Ibach	Prokop	Strommen
Bostar	Fredrickson	Jacobson	Quick	von Gillern
Brandt	Guereca	Kauth	Raybould	Wordekemper
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Riepe	

Voting in the negative, 9:

Cavanaugh, J.	Conrad	Hunt	McKinney	Spivey*
Cavanaugh, M.*	Dungan*	Juarez	Rountree	

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

*Senator was Present Not Voting at the time of the recorded vote (Rule 6, Sec. 9).

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

Dispense With Reading at Large

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB836 with 45 ayes, 1 nay, 2 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 836.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banking and finance; to amend sections 8-108, 8-603, 8-605, 8-606, and 8-607, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 8-601 and 8-604, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change provisions relating to charges for the examination of financial institutions, the levying of assessments, fees, and costs on certain financial entities, and transfers from the Financial Institution Assessment Cash Fund; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 48:

Andersen	Clouse	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders
Arch	Conrad	Hardin	McKinney	Sorrentino
Armendariz	DeBoer	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Spivey
Ballard	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer, G.	Storer
Bosn	Dorn	Hunt	Murman	Storm
Bostar	Dover	Ibach	Prokop	Strommen
Brandt	Dungan	Jacobson	Quick	von Gillern
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Juarez	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, M.	Guereca	Kauth	Riepe	
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Rountree	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

WITHDRAW - Motion to LB877

Senator Conrad asked unanimous consent to withdraw [MO424](#), found on page 731, to recommit to the Judiciary Committee.

No objections. So ordered.

WITHDRAW - Amendments to LB877

Senator Conrad withdrew [FA983](#), found on page 732, to LB877.

Senator Conrad withdrew [FA984](#), found on page 732, to LB877.

BILL ON FINAL READING

Dispense With Reading at Large

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB877 with 43 ayes, 1 nay, 4 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 877.

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

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 42:

Andersen	Clouse	Hardin	Meyer, G.	Spivey
Arch	Conrad	Holdcroft	Murman	Storer
Armendariz	DeKay	Hughes	Prokop	Storm
Ballard	Dorn	Ibach	Quick	Strommen
Bosn	Dungan	Juarez	Raybould	von Gillern
Bostar	Fredrickson	Kauth	Riepe	Wordekemper
Brandt	Guereca	Lippincott	Rountree	
Cavanaugh, J.	Hallstrom	Lonowski	Sanders	
Clements	Hansen	Meyer, F.	Sorrentino	

Voting in the negative, 6:

Cavanaugh, M.*	Dover*	Jacobson*
DeBoer*	Hunt	McKinney

Excused and not voting, 1:

Moser

* Senator was Present Not Voting at the time of the recorded vote (Rule 6, Sec. 9).

A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

MOTION(S) - Recommit LB795 to Committee

Senator Conrad offered [MO423](#), found on page 731, to recommit to the Judiciary Committee

The Conrad motion to recommit to committee failed with 12 ayes, 29 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

MOTION(S) - Return LB795 to Select File

Senator Conrad moved to return LB795 to Select File for the specific amendment, [FA977](#), found on page 732.

Senator Conrad withdrew her motion to return to committee.

The Conrad amendment, FA977, was not considered.

WITHDRAW - Amendments to LB795

Senator Conrad withdrew [FA978](#), found on page 732, to LB795.

Senator Conrad withdrew [FA979](#), found on page 732, to LB795.

Senator Conrad withdrew [FA981](#), found on page 732, to LB795

Senator Conrad withdrew [FA982](#), found on page 732, to LB795.

BILL ON FINAL READING

Dispense With Reading at Large

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB795 with 39 ayes, 1 nay, 5 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 795.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 28-405, 28-416, 28-1354, and 28-1701, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to designate bromazolam as a controlled substance; to correct the spelling of certain substances; to provide a penalty enhancement for certain offenses involving fentanyl; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 32:

Andersen	Clouse	Hughes	Meyer, G.	Storm
Arch	DeKay	Ibach	Murman	Strommen
Ballard	Dorn	Jacobson	Prokop	von Gillern
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Riepe	Wordekemper
Bostar	Hansen	Lippincott	Sanders	
Brandt	Hardin	Lonowski	Sorrentino	
Clements	Holdcroft	Meyer, F.	Storer	

Voting in the negative, 14:

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

Excused and not voting, 3:

Armendariz	Dover	Moser
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A constitutional majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed and the title agreed to.

PRESIDENT SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the President signed the following: LBs 548, 70, 110, 653, 741, 751, 783, 807, 836, 877, and 795.

MOTION(S) - Return LB771 to Select File

Senator Fredrickson moved to return LB771 to Select File for the specific amendment, [AM2262](#), found on page 817.

The Fredrickson motion to return prevailed with 46 ayes, 0 nays, and 3 excused and not voting.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 771. Senator Fredrickson offered [AM2262](#), found on page 817.

The Fredrickson amendment was adopted with 46 ayes, 0 nays, and 3 excused and not voting.

Readvanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Health and Human Services

LEGISLATIVE BILL 867. Placed on General File with amendment.

[AM2270](#) is available in the Bill Room.

The Health and Human Services Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointment(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

David Owens - Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee:

Aye: 7. Ballard, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hardin, Meyer, G., Quick, Riepe.
Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

The Health and Human Services Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointment(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

April Dexter - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission
Kate Hesser - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission
Katherine Kusek - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission
Myra Stoney - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission
Jim Ulrich - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission
Tracy Zamora - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission

Aye: 7. Ballard, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hardin, Meyer, G., Quick, Riepe.
Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

The Health and Human Services Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointment(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Cheryl Livingston - Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
Linda Mentink - Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Aye: 7. Ballard, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hardin, Meyer, G., Quick, Riepe.
Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

The Health and Human Services Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointment(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Mark Bertch - State Board of Health
Jaime Dodge - State Board of Health
Patricia Kucera - State Board of Health
Ryan Palmer - State Board of Health
David Reese - State Board of Health
Jeremiah Rethwisch - State Board of Health
Jacob Sikes - State Board of Health
Dan Vehle - State Board of Health

Aye: 7. Ballard, Fredrickson, Hansen, Hardin, Meyer, G., Quick, Riepe.
Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

(Signed) Brian Hardin, Chairperson

Agriculture

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1188. Placed on General File with amendment.

[AM2029](#)

1 1. On page 4, line 3, strike "The" and insert "Beginning on July 1,
2 2028, the".

(Signed) Barry DeKay, Chairperson

MOTION(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Conrad filed the following motions to [LB965](#):

[MO470](#)

Indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

[MO472](#)

Bracket until April 17, 2026.

[MO473](#)

Recommit to the Judiciary Committee.

[MO474](#)

Bracket until April 17, 2026.

[MO475](#)

Recommit to the Judiciary Committee.

[MO476](#)

Indefinitely postpone.

[MO477](#)

Recommit to the Judiciary Committee.

Senator Conrad filed the following motions to [LB1059](#):

[MO478](#)

Indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

[MO479](#)

Bracket until April 17, 2026.

[MO480](#)

Recommit to the Judiciary Committee.

[MO481](#)

Bracket until April 17, 2026.

[MO482](#)

Recommit to the Judiciary Committee.

[MO483](#)

Indefinitely postpone.

[MO484](#)

Recommit to the Judiciary Committee.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

Pursuant to Rule 1, Sec. 19, Senator Hardin has filed a Potential Conflict of Interest Statement under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act. The statement is on file in the Clerk of the Legislature's Office.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 353. Introduced by Clouse, 37; Andersen, 49; Arch, 14; Armendariz, 18; Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Bostar, 29;

Brandt, 32; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Cavanaugh, M., 6; Clements, 2; Conrad, 46; DeBoer, 10; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Dover, 19; Dungan, 26; Fredrickson, 20; Guereca, 7; Hallstrom, 1; Hansen, 16; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36; Hughes, 24; Hunt, 8; Ibach, 44; Jacobson, 42; Juarez, 5; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; McKinney, 11; Meyer, F., 41; Meyer, G., 17; Murman, 38; Prokop, 27; Quick, 35; Raybould, 28; Riepe, 12; Rountree, 3; Sanders, 45; Sorrentino, 39; Spivey, 13; Storer, 43; Storm, 23; Strommen, 47; von Gillern, 4; Wordekemper, 15.

WHEREAS, Mike Yanney was born in 1933 to Elias (E.K.) and Mary Yanney, the youngest of nine children, in Kearney, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yanney graduated from Kearney State College, took courses through the American Institute of Banking, and served in the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, in 1960, Mr. Yanney married his wife Dr. Gail Walling Yanney and moved to Omaha, Nebraska, where he went to work for Omaha National Bank; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yanney founded America First Companies, now known as Burlington Capital, in 1984 which became one of Omaha's most notable privately held investment companies under his leadership; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yanney received the Horatio Alger Award in 2005 from the Horatio Alger Association, an award given to exceptional leaders who have triumphed over adversity to achieve success and embody the American Dream; and

WHEREAS, in May 2024, Mr. Yanney was presented with the University of Nebraska at Kearney's highest honor, the Ron and Carol Cope Cornerstone of Excellence Award, which is awarded to community leaders whose lasting gifts of service or financial support have left an indelible mark on the institution; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yanney served as volunteer chairman of Omaha's Riverfront Development Project, was active in fund raising for the University of Nebraska Medical Center, helped develop the E.K. and Mary Yanney Heritage Park in Kearney in honor of his parents, and in 1986, together with his wife, founded Partnership 4 Kids, a mentoring and scholarship program; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yanney passed away on February 14, 2026, and is survived by his wife Dr. Gail Walling Yanney, daughter Lisa Roskens, son-in-law William Roskens, and grandchildren Charlie and Mary Roskens; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Yanney's passion for mentorship and his focus on funding community projects, sharing his financial acumen, and finding the potential to create a better future will be missed by his family, friends, and community.

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

1. That the Legislature extends condolences to the family, friends, and community of Mike Yanney.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Mike Yanney.

Laid over.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were Trinity Chappellear, Omaha; Samuel Wishman, Hampton; Greggery Hartman, Scottsbluff.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Joe Miller, Lincoln.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:12 p.m., on a motion by Senator Hunt, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 3, 2026.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

