

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 126

Introduced by Wayne, 13.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to review recent efforts to evaluate the classification system of the Department of Correctional Services and the delivery of clinical and nonclinical programs to its incarcerated population.

In 2021, the Legislature provided funding to the department to conduct a study of its classification system. This study is anticipated to be finished in May 2023. This study is being done by the Nebraska Center for Justice Research of the University of Nebraska.

In Laws 2022, LB896, the Legislature required the department to contract with an academic institution located in Nebraska to evaluate the quality of all clinical programs and some nonclinical programs delivered to the department's incarcerated population. The first clinical program evaluation was started earlier this year by the Nebraska Center for Justice Research of the University of Nebraska.

This interim study shall include, but need not be limited to, a review of the results of the study of the department's classification system and an update on the progress of the program evaluations required by Laws 2022, LB896.

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

1. That the Judiciary Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.
2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.