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Introduction

Nebraska has some 228 statutorily created boards, commissions, and other similar entities (hereinafter, collectively referred to as boards). Among the many tasks assigned to them, boards provide oversight of governmental programs, regulate licensed professionals, carry out studies, oversee implementation of new programs, advocate for certain constituencies, and advise state agencies.

In 1997, the Executive Board of the Legislative Council requested that the Legislative Research Division compile and annually update a list of statutorily created boards. This publication contains that list. The list does not purposefully include (1) boards created by executive order, by agency rule or regulation, or pursuant to federal mandates, unless enacted via state statute; (2) commissions or councils created pursuant to interstate compacts; or (3) boards created via state statute but which serve local governments.

Legislative Action Affecting Boards and Commissions

In 2006, the Legislature created seven new boards, eliminated four, and renamed two. The new boards were a reflection of some of the prominent issues in the 2006 legislative session: tax and Medicaid reform, education, and sex offenders; and the national insecurity: protecting the homeland.

New Boards

Conveyance Advisory Committee (LB 489). This committee was created to advise the Commissioner of Labor on issues relevant to elevators and similar conveyances such as escalators and dumbwaiters. The State Fire Marshal or designee and the state elevator inspector are designated permanent members. The other members, who are appointed by the Governor, must include representatives from an elevator manufacturing company, an elevator servicing company, and counties with a population greater than 100,000; a building manager; and an elevator mechanic.

Tax Policy Reform Commission (LB 542). This commission was created to look at all things tax-related and issue a report with recommendations for legislation to reform Nebraska's tax policy. Specific charges include evaluating how Nebraska's current tax policies relate to generally recognized tax policies of adequacy, equity, economic competitiveness, simplicity, and accountability. The 16-member commission includes the Director of Economic Development and the Tax Commissioner; eight state senators, one representative of the labor sector, and one representative of the

low-income sector, all appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council; and an economist, a representative of production agriculture, a representative of industry and manufacturing, and a representative of the telecommunications sector, all appointed by the Governor. The commission's final report is due by November 15, 2007. The commission terminates on December 31, 2007.

Homeland Security Policy Group (LB 940). The policy group was created to prepare the state for a terrorist attack. One of the group's specific charges is to annually report to the Executive Board of the Legislative Council how Nebraska has used its federal funds appropriated for homeland security. The policy group is not subject to the Open Meetings Act. The Director of Homeland Security, created via LB 940, serves as chairperson of the group. The Executive Board must select one member each from the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs and the Appropriations committees of the Legislature to serve as ex officio nonvoting members. The Governor appoints the other members, who serve at the will of the Governor. The bill does not specify the number of members.

Working Group to Study Sex Offender Treatment and Management Services (LB 1199). This working group was created to study sex offender treatment and management services and recommend improvements. The group's membership includes one senator appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council and the following gubernatorially appointed members: one representative each from the Nebraska Health and Human Services System, the courts, the Department of Correctional Services, probation, Board of Parole, law enforcement, private providers of sex offender treatment, and victim advocates; a licensed psychologist; a licensed alcohol and drug counselor; and a registered sex offender who is participating in a sex offender treatment program. Other interested persons may be appointed in a nonvoting capacity as needed. The working group is to assist the Director of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure in preparing a report to be presented to the Legislature and the Governor, which is due by December 1, 2006. The group terminates on that date also.

Distance Education Council (LB 1208). This council was created to coordinate distance education in Nebraska. The council's membership consists of one administrator, or his or her designee, from each educational service unit. The council must hire an administrator and personnel as necessary to carry out its statutory functions. Funding is provided via legislative appropriations and fees established for services provided to educational entities.

Medicaid Reform Council (LB 1248). This council was created to oversee the implementation of Medicaid reform in Nebraska. The membership of the council consists of 10 persons appointed by the Chairperson of the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee. The members must include representatives from provider groups, recipients of medical assistance and their advocates, business persons, insurers, and elected officials. The council terminates on June 30, 2010.

Early Childhood Education Endowment Board of Trustees (LB 1256). This board was created to administer the Early Childhood Education Grant Program. It is composed of the Commissioner of Education and the Director of Health and Human Services, or their designees; and four persons appointed by the Governor: an early childhood professional representing an urban at-risk area; an early childhood professional representing a rural at-risk area; and two persons nominated by the private endowment provider selected to run the Early Childhood Education Endowment by the State Department of Education. For administrative support and budgetary purposes only, the board is housed within the education department.

Repealed Boards

- **State Behavioral Health Council (LB 994).**
- **Excellence in Education Council (LB 1208).**
- **Distance Education Enhancement Task Force (LB 1208).**
- **Medicaid Reform Advisory Council (LB 1248).**

Actions Affecting Existing Boards

This annual publication does not track every change made to existing boards. However, significant changes (for example, changes affecting a board's structure, function, funding, or termination date) are briefly noted below.

Interpreter Review Board (LB 87). Effective June 30, 2007, the board membership must include: the Director of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Executive Director of the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, or their designees; one qualified interpreter; two representatives of local government; and one deaf or hard of hearing person. Members, except for the Director of HHS and the Executive Director of the commission, whose terms do not expire, are prohibited from serving more than two consecutive three-year terms.

Accountability and Disclosure Commission (LB 188). The commission gains the power to subpoena for purposes of conducting preliminary investigations under either the Campaign Finance Limitation Act or the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act. The district court has jurisdiction to enforce the commission's subpoenas.

Real Estate Appraiser Board (LB 778). The board is renamed the Real Property Appraiser Board.

State Real Estate Commission (LB 819). The commission's membership requirement is updated to reflect the fact that the state now has three congressional districts, not four as was the case when the commission was created in 1973. The Governor must select one member to serve from each of the state's congressional districts. Further, one of the three at-large gubernatorial appointees must be an active and licensed real estate broker who has engaged in the real estate business as a broker or associate broker for at least five years.

State Racing Commission (LB 1111). The commission's members, who are appointed by the Governor, now must be confirmed by the Legislature.

State Disbursement and Child Support Advisory Commission (LB 1113). The commission's name is changed to the Child Support Advisory Commission. Further, the Supreme Court is given the task of appointing the two commission members who are drawn from the ranks of district court judges whose jurisdiction includes domestic relations. The two commission members from the Legislature now must be the chairpersons of the Judiciary Committee and the Health and Human Services Committee. Finally, the State Treasurer, the State Court Administrator, and the Director of the Title IV-D Division are given regular membership. Previously, they were ex officio members.

Nebraska Boards and Commissions Tables

The following tables list statutorily created boards and commissions. The first table lists those boards created during the 2006 legislative session and the second table provides, it is hoped, a comprehensive list of all of Nebraska's boards, with the exception of those entities as noted in the introduction. Additionally, termination dates refer to the termination date listed in statute for that particular board; however, terminated boards and commissions continue to be listed until they are actually removed from statute.

TABLE 1

Nebraska Boards and Commissions Created by the Legislature in 2006

Board/Commission	Bill Number	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses	Per Diem
1. Conveyance Advisory Committee	LB 489	48-2503			Y	N
2. Tax Policy Reform Commission	LB 542	77-6002		12/31/07	Y	N
3. Homeland Security Policy Group	LB 940	81-830			N	N
4. Working Group to Study Sex Offender Treatment and Management Services	LB 1199	71-1228		12/1/06	N	N
5. Distance Education Council	LB 1208	79-1333			N	N
6. Medicaid Reform Council	LB 1248	68-948		6/30/10	Y	N
7. Early Childhood Education Endowment Board of Trustees	LB 1256	79-1104.03			Y	N

TABLE 2

Nebraska Boards and Commissions

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
1.	Abstracters Board of Examiners	76-540			Y	\$50
2.	Accountability and Disclosure Commission, Nebraska	49-14, 105	✓		Y	\$50
3.	Accreditation Committee, State (Department of Education)	79-703			N	
4.	Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Board of	71-17,134			Y	\$30
5.	Advisory Council, State (Department of Labor)	48-610			Y	Y ³
6.	Aeronautics Commission, Nebraska	3-104			Y	
7.	Affirmative Action Committee	81-1363			Y	
8.	Affordable Housing Committee, Nebraska	81-1281			N	
9.	Aging Advisory Committee	68-1101			Y	
10.	Agricultural Opportunities and Value-Added Partnership Act, Committee to Carry Out the Purposes of	2-5423		1/1/11	N	
11.	Airline Authority, Nebraska State	3-804	✓		Y	Y ⁴
12.	Alcohol and Drug Counseling, Board of	71-112(q)			Y	\$30
13.	Anatomical Board, State	71-1001			N	
14.	Appraisers for Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	72-224.03			Y	\$50
15.	Aquaculture Board	2-5003			Y	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
16.	Arts Council, Nebraska	82-309	✓		Y	
17.	Athletic Advisory Committee	81-8, 139.01			Y	
18.	Athletic Training, Board of	71-112(b)			Y	\$30
19.	Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, Board of	71-112(j)			Y	\$30
20.	Barber Examiners, Board of	71-221			Y	\$75
21.	Beginning Farmer Board	77-5204	✓		Y	
22.	Behavioral Health Oversight Commission of the Legislature	71-818	✓ ⁵	6/30/08	Y	
23.	Biopower Steering Committee	66-1701		12/31/08	Y	
24.	Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for the	71-8604	✓		Y	\$70
25.	Boiler Safety Code Advisory Board	48-739	✓		Y	\$50
26.	Brand Committee, Nebraska	54-191			Y	
27.	Breast and Cervical Cancer Advisory Committee	71-7012			Y	
28.	Broadband Services Task Force	86-599		12/1/06	N	
29.	Building Renewal, Task Force for (LB 309 Task Force)	81-174			Y	Y ⁶
30.	Canvassers, Board of State	32-1037			N	
31.	Capital Facilities Planning Committee, State Comprehensive	81-1108.41			N	
32.	Capitol Commission, Nebraska	81-1108.32			Y	
33.	Capitol Environs Commission, Nebraska State	90-306			N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
34.	Carbon Sequestration Advisory Committee	2-5302			Y	
35.	Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board, Nebraska	43-1903	✓		Y	
36.	Child Death Review Team	71-3406			Y	
37.	Child Support Advisory Commission	43-3342.05			Y	
38.	Chiropractic, Board of	71-112(d)			Y	\$30
39.	Claims Board, State	81-8, 220			Y	
40.	Climate Assessment Response Committee	2-4901	✓		Y	
41.	Collection Agency Licensing Board	45-603			Y	
42.	Community College Aid, Grant, and Contract Review Committee, Nebraska	85-1539			N	
43.	Community Corrections Council	47-622	✓ ⁷		Y	
44.	Community Development Block Grant Program Advisory Committee	81-1201.08			N	
45.	Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act, State Board to Administer	13-2603			N	
46.	Conveyance Advisory Committee	48-2503			Y	
47.	Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education	85-1403; Const. Art. VII, sec. 14	✓		Y	
48.	Corn Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-3604			Y	\$25
49.	Cosmetology Examiners, Board of	71-373			Y	\$50
50.	County Attorney Standards Advisory Council	23-1213			Y	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
51.	County Highway and City Street Superintendents, Board of Examiners for	39-2304			Y	
52.	Crime Victim's Reparations Committee	81-1802	✓		Y	
53.	Critical Incident Stress Management Council	71-7105			N	
54.	Dairy Industry Development Board, Nebraska	2-3951			Y	
55.	Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Commission for the	71-4720	✓		Y	
56.	Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Special Committee for the Commission of the	71-4728.03			N	
57.	Dentistry, Board of	71-112(e)			Y	\$30
58.	Developmental Disabilities, Advisory Committee on	83-1212.01			Y	
59.	Developmental Disabilities, Workgroup on Special Services	83-1216		12/1/04	N	
60.	Dispute Resolution, Advisory Council on	25-2905			Y	
61.	Distance Education Council	79-1333			N	
62.	Donor Registry of Nebraska Advisory Board	71-4823			N	
63.	Dry Bean Commission	2-3745			Y	
64.	Early Childhood Education Endowment Board of Trustees	79-1104.03			Y	
65.	Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council	43-3401			Y	
66.	Economic Development Commission	81-1201.02			Y	
67.	Economic Forecasting Advisory Board, Nebraska	77-27, 156			Y	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
68.	Education, State Board of	79-301; Const. Art. VII, sec. 3			Y	
69.	Educational Finance Authority, Nebraska	85-1710			Y	
70.	Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	72-201	✓		Y	\$40
71.	Educational Technology Consortium, State	79-1301			N	
72.	Educational Telecommunications Commission, Nebraska	79-1313	✓		Y	
73.	Electrical Board, State	81-2103	✓		Y	
74.	Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority, Nebraska	79-1810			Y	
75.	Emergency Medical Services, Board of	71-5176	✓		Y	
76.	Emergency Response Commission, State	81-15,210	✓		Y	
77.	Engineers and Architects, Board of	81-3428			Y	\$60
78.	Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board	86-461			Y	
79.	Environmental Health Specialists, Board of Registration for	71-3705.01			Y	\$25
80.	Environmental Quality Council	81-1503	✓		Y	\$40
81.	Environmental Quality, Technical Advisory Committee to the Department of	81-15, 189		3/1/02	Y	
82.	Environmental Trust Board, Nebraska	81-15, 170	✓		Y	
83.	Equal Opportunity Commission, Nebraska	48-1116			Y	\$50
84.	Ethanol Board, Advisory Committee to the ⁸	66-1337			N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
85.	Ethanol Board, Nebraska	66-1335	✓		Y	\$25
86.	Families With Special Housing Needs, Advisory Committee on	68-1605			N	
87.	Fire Safety Appeals Board, Nebraska	81-502.01			Y	
88.	Foster Care Review Board	43-1302	✓		Y	
89.	Funeral Directing and Embalming, Board of	71-112(l)			Y	\$30
90.	Game and Parks Commission	37-101	✓		Y	\$35
91.	Geographic Information System Steering Committee	86-570			Y	
92.	Geologists, Board of	81-3520			Y	Y ⁹
93.	Governor's Residence Advisory Commission	72-2101			Y	
94.	Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-4002			Y	
95.	Grape and Winery Board, Nebraska	53-301			Y	
96.	Greenbelt Advisory Committee	77-1355			Y	
97.	Hall of Fame Commission, Nebraska	72-724			N	
98.	Health Advisory Board, (Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles)	60-4,118.02			Y	
99.	Health Care Council, Nebraska	71-7614	✓		Y	
100.	Health Professions, Technical Advisory Committee for the Regulation of	71-6224			Y	
101.	Health, State Board of	71-2601	✓		Y	\$20

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
102.	Hearing Aid Instrument Dispensers and Fitters, Board of	71-4715			Y	\$25
103.	Highway Commission, State	39-1101	✓		Y	\$20
104.	Historical Society Board of Trustees, Nebraska State	82-101			Y	
105.	Homeland Security Policy Group	81-830			N	
106.	Housing Advisory Committee to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund	58-704			N	
107.	Indian Affairs, Commission on	81-2501			Y	\$50
108.	Indigent Defense Standards Advisory Council	29-3932			Y	
109.	Industrial Competitiveness Alliance Board	81-1201.14			N	
110.	Industrial Relations, Commission of	48-803	✓		Y	\$250
111.	Information Technology Commission, Nebraska	86-515	✓		Y	
112.	Information Technology Commission, Technology Review Panel for the Nebraska	86-521			N	
113.	Inquiry and Review, Board of (Department of Veterans' Affairs)	80-318			Y	
114.	Interagency Management Committee (to the Critical Incident Stress Management Committee)	71-7106			N	
115.	Intergovernmental Data Communications Advisory Council	86-539			Y	
116.	Interpreter Review Board	71-4728.05			Y	
117.	Interrelated Water Review Board ¹⁰	46-719			N	
118.	Invest Nebraska Board	77-5508			N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
119.	Investment Council, Nebraska	72-1237	✓		Y	\$75
120.	Investment Finance Authority, Nebraska (NIFA)	58-226			Y	
121.	Jail Standards Board	83-4,124			Y	
122.	Judicial Branch Education Advisory Committee	24-205.01			N	
123.	Judicial Nominating Commission ¹¹	24-801; Const. Art. V, sec. 21			N	
124.	Judicial Qualifications Commission	24-715			Y	
125.	Judicial Resources Commission	24-1201			Y	
126.	Juvenile Justice, Nebraska Coalition for	43-2411			Y	
127.	Land Surveyors, Board of Examiners for	81-8,110			Y	
128.	Landscape Architects, State Board of	81-8, 186			Y	
129.	Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, Nebraska Commission on	81-1416			Y	
130.	Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission, Nebraska	81-8,307		12/31/07	Y	
131.	Library Commission, Nebraska	51-401			Y	
132.	Liquor Control Commission, Nebraska	53-105	✓		Y	
133.	Livestock Auction Market Board	54-1160			Y ¹²	\$50
134.	Massage Therapy, Board of	71-112(g)			Y	\$30
135.	Medicaid Reform Council	68-948		6/30/10	Y	
136.	Medical Nutrition Therapy, Board of	71-112(k)			Y	\$30

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
137.	Medical Radiographer Advisory Committee	71-3512			Y	
138.	Medical Review Panel	44-2841			Y	\$50
139.	Medicine and Surgery, Board of	71-112(a)			Y	\$30
140.	Mental Health Practice, Board of	71-112(p)			Y	\$30
141.	Mental Health Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-814			Y	
142.	Mexican-Americans, Commission on	81-8,262			Y	\$35
143.	Motor Fuel Trust Fund, Committee to Oversee the	66-737			N	
144.	Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board	60-1402	✓		Y	\$50
145.	Natural Resources Commission, Nebraska	2-1504	✓ ¹³		Y	\$50
146.	Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission	81-12,123		12/31/10	Y	
147.	Niobrara Council	72-2007			Y	
148.	Nursing Board, Nebraska Center for	71-1799		7/1/10	Y	
149.	Nursing, Board of	71-1,132.07			Y	\$100
150.	Nursing Home Administration, Board of Examiners in	71-6065			Y	\$30
151.	Nursing Home Advisory Council	71-6044			Y	
152.	Occupational Therapy Practice, Board of	71-6115			Y	
153.	Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Nebraska	57-904	✓		Y	\$50
154.	Optometry, Board of	71-112(f)			Y	\$30
155.	Pardons, Board of	83-1,126			N	
156.	Parole, Board of	83-188	✓		N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
157.	Peer Review and Quality Assurance Panel (Department of Correctional Services)	83-4,164			N	
158.	Personnel Board, State	81-1318	✓		N	
159.	Pharmacy, Board of	71-112(i)			Y	\$30
160.	Physical Therapy, Board of	71-112(h)			Y	\$30
161.	Physician Assistant Committee	71-1,107.25			Y	
162.	Podiatry, Board of	71-112(m)			Y	\$30
163.	Police Standards Advisory Council, Nebraska	81-1406			Y	
164.	Potato Development Committee, Nebraska	2-1803			Y	
165.	Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization, and Marketing Committee, Nebraska	2-3404			Y	\$25
166.	Power Review Board, Nebraska	70-1003	✓		Y	\$60
167.	Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Advisory Committee	81-15,245			Y	
168.	Private Postsecondary Career Schools Advisory Council	85-1607			N	
169.	Private Postsecondary Career Schools Tuition Recovery Cash Fund Advisory Committee	85-1655			N	
170.	Problem Gambling and Addiction Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-816			Y	
171.	Professional Practices Commission	79-861			Y	
172.	Propane Education and Research Council	66-1617			N	
173.	Psychologists, Board of	71-112(n)			Y	\$30

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174.	Public Accountancy, Educational Advisory Committee to the Board of	1-113			N	
175.	Public Accountancy, Nebraska State Board of	1-107			Y	\$100
176.	Public Advocacy, Commission on	29-3923			Y	
177.	Public Employees Retirement Board	84-1501	✓		Y	\$50
178.	Public Health Clinic Formulary Advisory Committee	71-1, 147.59			N	
179.	Public Roads Classifications and Standards, Board of	39-2106	✓		Y	\$20 ¹⁴
180.	Public Service Commission	Ne. Const., Art. IV, sec. 20			N	
181.	Public Water Supply, Advisory Council on	71-5311			Y	
182.	Quality Jobs Board	77-4908			N	
183.	Quarter Design Committee, Nebraska State	90-120			Y	
184.	Racial Profiling Advisory Committee	20-506			N	
185.	Racing Commission, State	2-1201	✓		Y	
186.	Railway Council, Nebraska	74-1413	✓		Y	\$60
187.	Real Estate Commission, State	81-885.07			Y	\$100 ¹⁵
188.	Real Property Appraiser Board	76-2222			Y	\$100
189.	Redevelopment Board, Nebraska	58-503			N	
190.	Regional Interoperability Advisory Board	86-418.01		1/1/09	Y	
191.	Residual Malpractice Insurance Authority (Department of Insurance)	44-2837			N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
192.	Respiratory Care Practice, Board of	71-112(c)			Y	\$30
193.	Rural Development Commission	81-3601			Y	
194.	Rural Health Advisory Commission	71-5654	✓		Y	
195.	Safety Center Advisory Council, Nebraska	85-1008			N	
196.	Sex Offender Treatment and Management Services, Working Group to Study	71-1228		12/1/06	N	
197.	School Districts, State Committee for the Reorganization of	79-435			Y	
198.	Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel	81-1505.3			Y	
199.	Small Employer Health Reinsurance Board, Nebraska	44-5261			N	
200.	State Colleges, Board of Trustees of Nebraska	85-301	✓		Y	
201.	State Fair Board, Nebraska	2-101	✓ ¹⁶		N	
202.	State Records Board	84-1204			Y	
203.	Substance Abuse Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-815			Y	
204.	Suggestion Award Board	81-1348			Y	
205.	Tax Equalization and Review Commission	Const. Art. IX, sec. 2877-5003	✓		Y	
206.	Tax Policy Reform Commission	77-6002		12/31/07	Y	
207.	Teacher Education and Certification Advisory Committee	79-808			Y	
208.	Teen Tobacco Education and Prevention Project Committee	71-5715		2004 ¹⁷	Y	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
209.	Telecommunications Relay System Act, Special Advisory Committee to Administer the	86-315			N	
210.	Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Advisory Board	86-327			N	
211.	Transit and Rail Advisory Council, Nebraska	74-1504	✓	6/30/05	Y	
212.	Trauma Advisory Board, State	71-8236			Y	
213.	University of Nebraska Board of Regents	85-103 Const. Art. VI, sec 10			Y	
214.	Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee	72-812			N	
215.	Veterans' Advisory Commission	80-401.06			Y	
216.	Veterans Cemetery Advisory Board, Nebraska	12-1301			Y	
217.	Veterinary Medicine and Surgery, Board of	71-112(o)			Y	\$30
218.	Vocational Education, State Board of ¹⁸	79-321			Y	
219.	Vote Nebraska Initiative	32-1701		12/31/04	Y	
220.	Water Policy Task Force	46-2,132		12/31/09	N	
221.	Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Board	46-1217			Y	
222.	Wheat Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board, Nebraska	2-2302			Y	
223.	Women, Nebraska Commission on the Status of	81-8,255			N	
224.	Women's Health Initiative Advisory Council	71-702		12/31/09	Y	
225.	Worker Training Board, Nebraska	48-622.03			N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
226.	Workforce Investment Board, Nebraska	48-1623			N	
227.	Wyuka Cemetery Board of Trustees	12-101			N	
228.	Youth Service Workers, Work Group to Develop Recommendations for the Training of	43-2414		12/1/05	N	

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Endnotes

¹ A “Y” in this column indicates that a provision authorizing expenses exists in the statute creating the board or commission; an “N” indicates the enacting statute makes no mention of allowing expenses. However, Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 81-1178 provides that “Any member of any state commission, council, committee, or board which has been created by statute shall be entitled to be reimbursed for expenses in the same manner as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177 for state employees whether or not specific reference is made to such sections.”

² Unless otherwise noted, per diems listed are the maximum allowable in statute for that particular board. Since some statutes indicate that the permissible per diem is “at least” or “up to”, the actual per diem paid to a given board member could be less than that listed. As per Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 71-112, the professional boards in the various health-related fields receive expenses as well as a per diem not to exceed \$30. Additionally, the per diem and expenses cannot be greater than “is received in fees from the applicants taking the examination in any particular profession.” Each individual board sets its own per diem within those parameters. Additionally, these boards may set per diems and pay the expenses up to this rate for any subcommittees they create.

³ The State Advisory Council members are paid a fee, set by the Commissioner of Labor, for each day of active service .

⁴ The Nebraska State Airline Authority members “shall receive a per diem as the Governor shall determine.” However, there is no record that this authority, which was created in 1990, has ever been appointed.

⁵ Confirmation is required by a majority of the Legislature’s Health and Human Services Committee members.

⁶ Compensation for the Task Force for Building Renewal members is “established by the Governor on a per diem basis. . . .”

⁷ Legislative confirmation is required for the seven members who are gubernatorial appointees.

⁸ The advisory committee is an ad hoc, informal entity comprised of representatives from the University of Nebraska, the Department of Economic Development, the Department of Agriculture, and the State Energy Office that provides counsel to the Ethanol Board on an as needed basis, according to Todd Sneller, executive director of the Ethanol Board.

⁹ LB 1161 states, “Each member of the board shall receive as compensation the same per diem and travel expenses as other state employees for each day actually spent in traveling to and from and while attending sessions of the board and its committees or authorized meetings of the National Association of State Boards of Geology, or their subdivisions or committees, and all necessary expenses incident to the performance of his or her duties under the Geologists Regulation Act as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.”

¹⁰ “The board, when appointed and convened, shall continue in existence only until it has resolved a dispute referred to it pursuant [to statute].” Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 46-719(1a).

¹¹ There are actually 33 commissions of nine members each representing the various judicial districts and courts within the state.

¹² The Livestock Auction Market Board is a three-person board with one appointed member, who receives expenses.

¹³ The Legislature confirms the three gubernatorial appointees to the 16-member commission.

¹⁴ The three lay members of the board are the only members to receive a per diem, which is set at the same rate as that paid to the members of the State Highway Commission.

¹⁵ The chairman of the Real Estate Commission is the Secretary of State, who does not receive a per diem.

¹⁶ Four of the 11 members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature.

¹⁷ The committee is no longer awarding grants and exists only statutorily while the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education Commission continues to administer the remaining multiple-year grants. See, Laws 2003, LB 574.

¹⁸ Membership is comprised of the State Board of Education.

