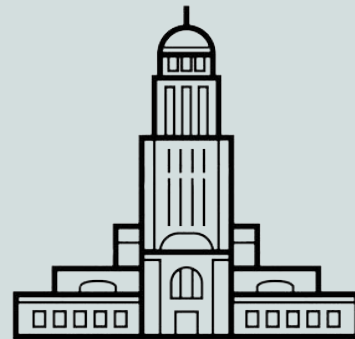


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Introduction

Nebraska has more than 200 statutorily created boards, commissions, and other similar entities (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 asked the Legislative Research Office to compile and annually update a list of statutorily created boards. This update reflects changes made by the 2017 Legislature, including new boards, repealed boards, and significant changes made to existing boards.

The Legislature's Role in Boards and Commissions

The Legislature plays a pivotal role in the establishment, administration, and operation of the state's boards and commissions.

First, as evidenced by the myriad statutorily created boards, the Legislature creates boards via passage of legislation.

Second, members of the Legislature are often required to confirm specific board members appointed by the Governor. Forty-six boards have members who must be confirmed by a majority vote of the Legislature.

Finally, legislators serve as ex officio board members and appoint members or provide nominees for appointment by the Governor.



2019 Board and Commission Legislation

In 2019, the Legislature created three new boards and eliminated three boards.



New Boards Enacted in 2019

Healthy Soils Task Force (Laws 2019, LB 243)

Protecting Nebraska's agriculturally productive soils is the goal of the Healthy Soils Task Force. Among the task force's duties are developing a comprehensive healthy soils initiative for Nebraska and an action plan to successfully carry out the initiative's goal. Voting members of the task force include: (1) the Director of Agriculture or his or her designee; (2) two representatives of natural resources districts; (3) two academic experts in agriculture and natural resources; (4) six representatives from production agriculture; (5) two representatives from agribusiness; and (6) two representatives from environmental organizations. The nonvoting members are the chairpersons of the Legislature's Agriculture Committee and Natural Resources Committee or their designees. The task force's report with recommendations is due to the Governor and the Agriculture Committee by January 1, 2021, and the task force terminates on that date.

Brain Injury Oversight Committee (Laws 2019, LB 481)

The committee is charged with providing financial oversight and developing criteria for expenditures from the Brain Injury Trust Fund, which is administered by the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The committee must also represent the interests of individuals with a brain injury and their families through advocacy, education, training, rehabilitation, research, and prevention. The committee is composed of nine public members appointed by the Governor, the Commissioner of Education, and the directors of the divisions of Behavioral Health and Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services or their designees. The fund is intended to provide services to individuals in Nebraska with brain injuries.

Nebraska Hemp Commission (Laws 2019, LB 657)

Promoting the state's newest agricultural crop—industrial hemp—is the job of the commission. Members of the commission are the dean of the University of Nebraska College of Agricultural Science and Natural Resource, a representative of postsecondary institutions other than the University of Nebraska, and three members appointed by the Governor. The appointed members must represent two Nebraska farmers interested in growing hemp and a manufacturer of hemp products. To implement its mandate, the commission is authorized to hire support staff to carry out the work of the commission, prepare and approve a budget, and adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to carry out its duties under the Nebraska Hemp Farming Act. The commission must periodically report to the Governor and the Legislature on hemp policies and practices.

Boards Repealed in 2019

The following boards were eliminated by legislation in 2019:

- Water Funding Task Force (LB 1)
- Radon Resistant New Construction Task Force (LB 130)
- Title IV-E Demonstration Project Committee (LB 600)



Changes to Existing Boards

This report tracks changes to existing boards if the changes affect integral components of the board's structure, such as name, membership, or termination dates or significantly alter a board's function or duties.

Public Employees Retirement Board (LB 33)

The per diem for board members is increased from \$50 to \$75.

Nebraska Grape and Winery Board (LB 75)

Beginning with appointments to the board in 2021, appointee terms are staggered so that the entire board's terms do not expire at the same time. Ultimately, board members will serve for three years and can be reappointed. The change is meant to preserve institutional knowledge believed lost when all terms expire at once.

Nebraska Educational, Health, and Social Services Finance Committee (LB 224)

The committee is renamed the Nebraska Educational, Health, Cultural, and Social Services Finance Authority.

Nebraska Children's Commission (LB 600)

The legislation makes numerous changes to the Children's Commission. First and foremost, LB 600 eliminates the commission's termination date. The focus of the commission's work also shifts, from creating a statewide strategic plan to reform Nebraska's child welfare and juvenile justice programs and systems, to monitoring and evaluating those systems. The bill also tinkers with the membership, reducing the commission size from 17 to 15 voting members appointed by the Governor, making the executive director of the Foster Care Review Office a nonvoting member, and adding the Director of Behavioral Health of the Division of Behavioral Health to the nonvoting membership.

Nebraska Craft Brewery Board (LB 624)

Beginning with appointments to the board in 2022, appointee terms are staggered so that the termination dates for board members occur at different times. The changes to the board are for the same reason as the changes made to the Grape and Winery Board: to preserve institutional knowledge.



Nebraska Boards and Commissions Tables

Table 1 contains the new boards enacted by the Legislature in 2019. Table 2 is the Master List of all boards created by the Legislature and tracked by this report.

Table 1. Boards Created by the Legislature in 2019

| Board/Commission | Bill Number | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---------|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Healthy Soils Task Force | LB 243 | 2-402 | No | 1/1/2021 | Y |
| Brain Injury Oversight Committee | LB 481 | 71-3703 | No | | Y |
| Nebraska Hemp Commission | LB 657 | 2-517 | No | | Y |

Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|--|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 1. 911 Service System Advisory Committee | 86-1025.01 | | | N | |
| 2. Abstracters Board of Examiners | 76-540 | | | Y | \$50 |
| 3. Accountability and Disclosure Commission, Nebraska | 49-14,105 | Y | | Y | |
| 4. Accreditation Committee, State | 79-703 | | | N | |
| 5. Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Board of | 38-204 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 6. Aeronautics Commission, Nebraska | 3-104 | | | Y | |
| 7. Aging, Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care Advisory Commission on | 68-1101 | | | Y | |
| 8. Alcohol and Drug Counseling, Board of | 38-308 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 9. Anatomical Board, State | 71-1001 | | | N | |
| 10. Appraisers for Educational Lands and Funds, Board of | 72-224.03 | | | Y | \$50 |
| 11. Aquaculture Board | 2-5003 | | | Y | |
| 12. Arts Council, Nebraska | 82-309 | Y | | Y | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|---|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 13. Assessment Matrix, Committee of Experts to Advise the Department of Agriculture on the Development of | 81-2,294 | | | N | |
| 14. Athletic Training, Board of | 38-401 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 15. Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, Board of | 38-504 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 16. Barber Examiners, Board of | 71-221 | | | Y | \$75 |
| 17. Beginning Farmer Board | 77-5204 | Y | | Y | |
| 18. Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for the | 71-8604 | Y | | Y | \$70 |
| 19. Boiler Safety Code Advisory Board | 81-5,184 | Y | | Y | \$50 |
| 20. Brain Injury Oversight Committee | 71-3703 | | | Y | |
| 21. Brand Committee, Nebraska | 54-191 | | | Y | |
| 22. Breast and Cervical Cancer Advisory Committee | 71-7012 | | | Y | |
| 23. Building Renewal, Task Force for (LB 309 Task Force) | 81-174 | | | Y | Y ³ |
| 24. Canvassers, Board of State | 32-1037 | | | N | |
| 25. Capital Facilities Planning Committee, State Comprehensive | 81-1108.41 | | | N | |
| 26. Capitol Commission, Nebraska | 81-1108.32 | | | Y | |
| 27. Capitol Environs Commission, Nebraska State | 90-306 | | | N | |
| 28. Chief Stand Bear National Statuary Hall Selection Committee | 82-706 | | 6/30/23 | N | |
| 29. Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board, Nebraska | 43-1903 | Y | | Y | |
| 30. Child and Maternal Death Review Team, State | 71-3406 | | | Y | |
| 31. Child Support Advisory Commission | 43-3342.05 | | | Y | |
| 32. Children and Juveniles Data Feasibility Study Advisory Group | 43-1306 | | 12/31/19 | N | |
| 33. Children's Behavioral Health Task Force | 43-4001 | | 6/30/10 | Y | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 34. Children's Commission, Nebraska | 43-4202 | | 6/30/19 | Y | |
| 35. Chiropractic, Board of | 38-804 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 36. Claims Board, State | 81-8,220 | | | Y | |
| 37. Climate Assessment Response Committee | 2-4901 | Y | | Y | |
| 38. Collection Agency Licensing Board | 45-603 | | | Y | |
| 39. Committee of experts to advise the Department of Agriculture on the development of an assessment matrix | 81-2,294 | | | N | |
| 40. Committee to examine state policy regarding prescription and administration of psychotropic drugs to state wards | 43-4203 | | | N | |
| 41. Committee to examine structure and responsibilities of the Office of Juvenile Services | 43-4203 | | | N | |
| 42. Community College Student Performance and Occupational Education Grant Committee, Nebraska | 85-1539 | | | N | |
| 43. Comprehensive Health Insurance Pool Board of Directors | 44-4216 | | | Y | Y ⁴ |
| 44. Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act, State Board to Administer | 13-2603 | | | N | |
| 45. Conveyance Advisory Committee | 81-5,212 | | | Y | |
| 46. Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education | Const. Art. VII, sec. 14 85-1403 | Y | | Y | |
| 47. Corn Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board | 2-3604 | | | Y | \$25 |
| 48. Cosmetology, Electrology, Esthetics, Nail Technology, and Body Art, Board of | 38-1007 | | | Y | \$50 |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 49. County Attorney Standards Advisory Council | 23-1213 | | | Y | |
| 50. County Highway and City Street Superintendents, Board of Examiners for | 39-2304 | | | Y | |
| 51. Crime Victim's Reparations Committee | 81-1802 | Y | | Y | |
| 52. Craft Brewery Board, Nebraska | 53-501 | | | 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 | | Y | |
| 56. Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Special Committee for the Commission of the | 71-4728.03 | | | N | |
| 57. Dentistry, Board of | 38-1106 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 58. Developmental Disabilities, Advisory Committee on | 83-1212.01 | | | Y | |
| 59. Disability Services Stakeholder Olmstead Planning Advisory Committee ⁵ | 81-6,122 | | | N | |
| 60. Dispute Resolution, Advisory Council on | 25-2905 | | | Y | |
| 61. Dry Bean Commission | 2-3745 | | | Y | |
| 62. Early Childhood Education Endowment Board of Trustees | 79-1104.03 | | | Y | |
| 63. Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council | 43-3401 | | | Y | |
| 64. Economic Forecasting Advisory Board, Nebraska | 77-27,156 | | | Y | |
| 65. Education, State Board of | Const. Art. VII, sec. 3 79-301 | | | Y | |
| 66. Educational, Health, Cultural, and Social Services Finance Authority, Nebraska | 58-813 | | | Y | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 67. Educational Lands and Funds, Board of | Const. Art. VII, sec. 6 72-201 | Y | | Y | \$50 |
| 68. Educational Opportunity for Military Children, State Council on | 79-2204 | | | Y | |
| 69. Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council | 79-1245 | | | N | |
| 70. Educational Telecommunications Commission, Nebraska | 79-1313 | Y | | Y | |
| 71. Electrical Board, State | 81-2103 | Y | | Y | |
| 72. Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority, Nebraska | 79-1810 | | | Y | |
| 73. Emergency Medical Services, Board of | 38-1206 | Y | | Y | |
| 74. Emergency Response Commission, State | 81-15,210 | Y | | Y | |
| 75. Engineers and Architects, Board of | 81-3428 | | | Y | \$60 |
| 76. Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board | 86-461 | | | Y | |
| 77. Environmental Health Specialists, Board of Registered | 38-1307 | | | Y | \$25 |
| 78. Environmental Quality Council | 81-1503 | Y | | Y | \$40 |
| 79. Environmental Trust Board, Nebraska | 81-15,170 | Y | | Y | |
| 80. Equal Opportunity Commission, Nebraska | 48-1116 | | | Y | \$50 |
| 81. Ethanol Board, Nebraska | 66-1335 | Y | | Y | \$25 |
| 82. Fire Safety Appeals Board, Nebraska | 81-502.01 | | | Y | |
| 83. Foster Care Advisory Committee | 43-1302 | Y | | Y | |
| 84. Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee | 43-4216 | | | N | |
| 85. Funeral Directing and Embalming, Board of | 38-1405 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 86. Game and Parks Commission | 37-101 | Y | | Y | \$35 |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 87. Geographic Information Systems Council | 86-570 | | | Y | |
| 88. Geologists, Board of | 81-3520 | | | Y | Y ⁶ |
| 89. Governor's Residence Advisory Commission | 72-2101 | | | Y | |
| 90. Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board | 2-4002 | | | Y | |
| 91. Grape and Winery Board, Nebraska | 53-301 | | | Y | |
| 92. Hall of Fame Commission, Nebraska | 72-724 | | | N | |
| 93. Health Professions, Technical Advisory Committee for the Regulation of | 71-6224 | | | Y | |
| 94. Health, State Board of | 71-2601 | Y | | Y | \$20 |
| 95. Healthy Soils Task Force | 2-402 | | 1/1/2021 | Y | |
| 96. Hearing Instrument Specialists, Board of | 38-1503 | | | Y | \$25 |
| 97. Hemp Commission, Nebraska | 2-517 | | | Y | |
| 98. Highway Commission, State | 39-1101 | Y | | Y | \$20 |
| 99. Historical Society Board of Trustees, Nebraska State | 82-101 | | | Y | |
| 100. Homeland Security Policy Group | 81-830 | | | N | |
| 101. Housing and Homelessness, Nebraska Commission on ⁷ | 58-704; 81-1281 | | | Y | |
| 102. Housing and Homelessness Continuum of Care Committee, Nebraska Commission on ⁸ | 68-1605(3) | | | Y | |
| 103. Human Trafficking Issues, Task Force to Investigate | 81-1430 | | | Y | |
| 104. Indian Affairs, Commission on | 81-2501 | | | Y | \$50 |
| 105. Industrial Relations, Commission of | Const. Art. XV, sec. 9 48-803 | Y | | Y | \$475 |
| 106. Information Technology Commission, Nebraska | 86-515 | Y | | Y | |
| 107. Information Technology Commission, Technology Review Panel for the Nebraska | 86-521 | | | N | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 108. Interagency Management Committee | 71-7106 | | | N | |
| 109. Interpreter Review Board | 71-4728.05 | | | Y | |
| 110. Interrelated Water Review Board ⁹ | 46-719 | | | N | |
| 111. Invasive Species Council, Nebraska | 37-1403 | | | N | |
| 112. Invest Nebraska Board | 77-5508 | | | N | |
| 113. Investment Council, Nebraska | 72-1237 | Y | | Y | \$75 |
| 114. Investment Finance Authority, Nebraska (NIFA) | 58-226 | | | Y | |
| 115. Jail Standards Board | 83-4,124 | | | Y | |
| 116. Judicial Branch Education Advisory Committee | 24-205.01 | | | N | |
| 117. Judicial nominating commissions ¹⁰ | Const. Art. V, sec. 21 24-801 | | | N | |
| 118. Judicial Qualifications Commission | Const. Art. V, sec. 28 24-715 | | | Y | |
| 119. Judicial Resources Commission | 24-1201 | | | Y | |
| 120. Juvenile Justice, Nebraska Coalition for | 43-2411 | | | Y | |
| 121. Land Surveyors, Board of Examiners for | 81-8,110 | | | Y | |
| 122. Landscape Architects, State Board of | 81-8,186 | | | Y | |
| 123. Latino-Americans, Commission on | 81-8,262 | | | Y | \$35 |
| 124. Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, Nebraska Commission on | 81-1416 | | | Y | |
| 125. Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Board | 7-204 | | | Y | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|--|----------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 126. Library Commission, Nebraska | 51-401 | | | Y | |
| 127. Liquor Control Commission, Nebraska | 53-105 | Y | | Y | \$12,500 annual salary |
| 128. Massage Therapy, Board of | 38-1704 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 129. Medical Nutrition Therapy, Board of | 38-1805 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 130. Medical Radiography, Board of | 38-1903 | | | Y | |
| 131. Medical Review Panel | 44-2841 | | | Y | \$50 |
| 132. Medicine and Surgery, Board of | 38-2010 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 133. Mental Health Practice, Board of | 38-2105 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 134. Mental Health Services, State Advisory Committee on | 71-814 | | | Y | |
| 135. Military and Veteran Affairs, Commission on | 55-601 | | | Y | |
| 136. Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board | 60-1402 | Y | | Y | \$50 |
| 137. Natural Resources Commission, Nebraska | 2-1504 | Y ¹¹ | | Y | \$50 |
| 138. Natural Gas Fuel Board | 66-2001 | Y | | N | |
| 139. Nebraska Sesquicentennial Commission | 81-8,309 | | 6/30/2018 | Y | |
| 140. Niobrara Council | 72-2007 | Y | | Y | |
| 141. Nursing Board, Nebraska Center for | 71-1799 | | | Y | |
| 142. Nursing, Board of | 38-2204 | | | Y | \$100 |
| 143. Nursing Home Administration, Board of | 38-2406 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 144. Occupational Therapy Practice, Board of | 38-2505 | | | Y | |
| 145. Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Nebraska | 57-904 | Y | | Y | \$400 ¹² |
| 146. Optometry, Board of | 38-2603 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 147. Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Group | 71-4504 | | | Y | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

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|--|--|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 148. Pardons, Board of | Const. Art. IV, sec. 13 83-1,126 | | | N | |
| 149. Parole, Board of | Const. Art. IV, sec. 13 83-188 | Y | | N | Salaried |
| 150. Peer Review and Quality Assurance Panel | 83-4,164 | | | N | |
| 151. Personnel Board, State | 81-1318 | Y | | N | |
| 152. Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee | 68-953 | | | Y | |
| 153. Pharmacy, Board of | 38-2808 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 154. Physical Therapy, Board of | 38-2905 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 155. Physician Assistant Committee | 38-2056 | | | Y | |
| 156. Podiatry, Board of | 38-3003 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 157. Police Standards Advisory Council, Nebraska | 81-1406 | | | Y | |
| 158. Potato Development Committee, Nebraska | 2-1803 | | | Y | |
| 159. Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization, and Marketing Committee, Nebraska | 2-3404 | | | Y | \$25 |
| 160. Power Review Board, Nebraska | 70-1003 | Y | | Y | \$60 |
| 161. Priority School Intervention Team | 79-760.07 | | | Y | |
| 162. Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Advisory Committee | 81-15,245 | | | Y | |
| 163. Private Postsecondary Career Schools Advisory Council | 85-1607 | | | N | |
| 164. Problem Gambling, Nebraska Commission on | 9-1003 | Y | | Y | |
| 165. Professional Practices Commission | 79-861 | | | Y | |
| 166. Propane Education and Research Council | 66-1617 | | | N | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

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|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 167. Psychology, Board of | 38-3103 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 168. Public Accountancy, Educational Advisory Committee to the Board of | 1-113 | | | N | |
| 169. Public Accountancy, Nebraska State Board of | 1-107 | | | Y | \$100 |
| 170. Public Advocacy, Commission on | 29-3923 | | | Y | |
| 171. Public Employees Retirement Board | 84-1501 | Y | | Y | \$75 |
| 172. Public Guardianship, Advisory Council on | 30-4106 | | | Y | |
| 173. Public Roads Classifications and Standards, Board of | 39-2106 | Y | | Y | \$20 ¹³ |
| 174. Public Service Commission | Const. Art. IV, sec. 20 | | | N | \$75,000 annual salary |
| 175. Public Water Supply, Advisory Council on | 71-5311 | | | Y | |
| 176. Quality Jobs Board | 77-4908 | | | N | |
| 177. Racial Profiling Advisory Committee | 20-506 | | | N | |
| 178. Racing Commission, State | 2-1201 | Y | | Y | |
| 179. Real Estate Commission, State | 81-885.07 | | | Y | \$100 ¹⁴ |
| 180. Real Property Appraiser Board | 76-2222 | | | Y | \$100 |
| 181. Redevelopment Board, Nebraska | 58-503 | | | N | |
| 182. Rent-Restricted Housing Projects Valuation Committee | 77-1333 | | | N | |
| 183. Residual Malpractice Insurance Authority | 44-2837 | | | N | |
| 184. Respiratory Care Practice, Board of | 38-3203 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 185. Review, Evaluate, and Decide Team | 28-712.01 | | | N | |
| 186. Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force | 2-967 | | 6/30/15 | Y | |
| 187. Rural Broadband Study Task Force | 86-1102 | | | Y | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 188. Rural Health Advisory Commission | 71-5654 | Y | | Y | |
| 189. Safety Center Advisory Council, Nebraska | 85-1008 | | | N | |
| 190. School Districts, State Committee for the Reorganization of | 79-435 | | | Y | |
| 191. Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel | 81-1505.3 | | | Y | |
| 192. Sports Arena Facility Financing Act, board to administer | 13-3102 | | | N | |
| 193. Solid waste management programs, advisory committee to advise the Department of Environmental Quality regarding the study on the status of | 81-15,159.01 | | | N | |
| 194. State Colleges, Board of Trustees of Nebraska | Const. Art. VII, sec. 13 85-301 | Y | | Y | |
| 195. State Fair Board, Nebraska | 2-101 | Y ¹⁵ | | N | |
| 196. State Records Board | 84-1204 | | | Y | |
| 197. Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee | 71-8803 | Y | | Y | Y ¹⁶ |
| 198. Strengthening Families Act Committee, Nebraska | 43-4216 | | | N | |
| 199. Stroke System of Care Task Force | 71-4209 | | | N | |
| 200. Substance Abuse Services, State Advisory Committee on | 71-815 | | | Y | |
| 201. Suggestion Award Board | 81-1348 | | | Y | |
| 202. Tax Equalization and Review Commission | Const. Art. IX, sec. 28 77-5003 | Y | | Y | Salaried |
| 203. Teacher Education and Certification Advisory Committee | 79-808 | | | Y | |
| 204. Technical Committee to Review Statewide Assessment and Reporting Plan | 79-760.03 | Y | | Y | |



Table 2. Nebraska Boards and Commissions (continued)

| Board/Commission | Statute | Legislative Confirmation Required | Termination Date | Expenses ¹ | Per Diems ² |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 205. Telecommunications Relay System Act, Special Advisory Committee to Administer the | 86-315 | | | N | |
| 206. Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Advisory Board | 86-327 | | | N | |
| 207. Tourism Commission, Nebraska | 81-3710 | Y | | N | |
| 208. Trauma Advisory Board, State | 71-8236 | | | Y | |
| 209. University of Nebraska Board of Regents | Const. Art. VI, sec. 10 85-103 | | | Y | |
| 210. Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee | 72-812 | | | N | |
| 211. Veterans' Advisory Commission | 80-401.06 | | | Y | |
| 212. Veterans' Homes Board | 80-318 | | | Y | |
| 213. Veterinary Medicine and Surgery, Board of | 38-3306 | | | Y | \$30 |
| 214. Veterinary Prescription Monitoring Program Task Force | 71-2454.01 | | | N | |
| 215. Violence Prevention, Advisory Council to the Office of | 81-1447 | | | Y | |
| 216. Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Board | 46-1217 | | | Y | |
| 217. Wheat Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board, Nebraska | 2-2302 | | | Y | |
| 218. Whiteclay Public Health Emergency Task Force | 50-601 | | 12/31/19 | N | |
| 219. Willa Cather National Statuary Hall Selection Committee | 82-702 | | 6/30/23 | N | |
| 220. Women's Health Initiative Advisory Council | 71-702 | | | Y | |
| 221. Worker Training Board, Nebraska | 48-622.03 | | | N | |
| 222. Wyuka Cemetery Board of Trustees | 12-101 | | | N | |
| 223. Young Adult Bridge to Independence Advisory Committee | 43-4513 | | | N | |



(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. Compensation for the Task Force for Building Renewal members is “established by the Governor on a per diem basis. . . .”
4. Paid only when traveling for business of the CHIP board, at the rate set by the pool administrator.
5. The Disability Services Stakeholder Olmstead Planning Advisory Committee is the name chosen by committee members for the committee, which was not formally given a name in Laws 2016, LB 1033.
6. 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.”
7. The Commission on Housing and Homelessness was formed by Executive Order 98-4 and combines two statutorily created advisory committees previously listed as the Housing Advisory Committee to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the Nebraska Affordable Housing Committee, both under the authority of the Department of Economic Development.
8. In 2002, the former Advisory Committee on Families with Special Needs Housing became the Commission on Housing and Homelessness Continuum of Care Committee, which serves as the advisory committee to the Nebraska Homeless Assistance Program. Its parent agency is the Department of Health and Human Services.
9. “The board, when appointed and convened, shall continue in existence only until it has resolved a dispute referred to it pursuant [to Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 46-719(1a)].”
10. There are actually 33 commissions of nine members each representing the various judicial districts and courts within the state.
11. The Legislature confirms the three gubernatorial appointees to the 16-member commission.
12. Laws 2018, LB 713 increased the per diem from \$50 to no more than \$400 per day and set the annual maximum from \$2,000 to \$4,000.
13. 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.
14. All members of the Real Estate Commission receive a per diem except the chairman, who is an ex officio member and the Nebraska Secretary of State.
15. Four of the 11 members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature.
16. Committee members who are not employed by Nebraska medical schools receive a stipend per meeting. The amount is determined by the Division of Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services based on standard consultation fees.

