# STAFF MEETING MINUTES LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COUNTY-CITY BUILDING ROOM 113 - BILL LUXFORD STUDIO THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2016

8:30 A.M.

Commissioners Present: Roma Amundson, Chair

Todd Wiltgen, Vice Chair

Larry Hudkins Bill Avery

Commissioners Absent: Deb Schorr

Others Present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer

Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer

Dan Nolte, County Clerk

Ann Taylor, County Clerk's Office

Advance public notice of the Board of Commissioners Staff Meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and provided to the media on March 16, 2016.

The Chair noted the location of the Open Meetings Act and opened the meeting at 8:38 a.m.

# **AGENDA ITEM**

1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 10, 2016 STAFF MEETING

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the March 10, 2016

Staff Meeting minutes. Wiltgen, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Avery and Schorr were absent from voting. Motion carried 3-0.

2 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

A. City Library Board Appointment (Exhibits A & B)

**MOTION:** Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded approval of the addition to the

agenda. Hudkins, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Avery and Schorr

were absent from voting. Motion carried 3-0.

Avery arrived at the meeting at 8:41 a.m.

3 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - Gordon Kissel and Joe Kohout, Kissel/E&S Associates

Joe Kohout, Kissel/E&S Associates, presented a legislative update and legislative bills of interest report (Exhibits C & D), noting the following:

- Lobbyists met with members of the Lancaster County delegation regarding Legislative Bill (LB) 742 (Change county population thresholds) and no concerns were expressed.
- LB 774 (Provide a sales and use tax exemption for purchases by non-profit substance abuse treatment centers) is moving up the agenda.
   This bill contains LB 542 (Provide a sales tax exemption for purchases by county agricultural societies) as part of a Revenue Committee amendment (AM 2422). Kohout noted Wiltgen had inquired about the museum tax exemption and said it specifically deals with items of historic interest.
- Several amendments have been filed to LB 894 (Change provisions relating to juveniles). One amendment (AM 2610) says a county board may create a guardian at litem division.
- In terms of LB 958 (Change provisions relating to budgets, the valuation of agricultural land, and levy limitations), the Revenue Committee is looking at a two part bill that would: 1) Appropriate an additional \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000 into the Property Tax Relief Act, with the limitation that it is to be targeted to agricultural land, and 2) Provide for a 3% limitation applicable only to community colleges.
- LB 960 (Adopt the Transportation Innovation Act and provide transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund) advanced to Select File with broad support. (see talking points in Exhibit E).
- Senator Jim Smith is still working with the Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) and Nebraska Cattlemen Association to work out a compromise on LB 977 (Change provisions relating to implements of husbandry on highways).
- LB 1013 (Change tax on cigarettes and other tobacco products and provide for distribution of proceeds) is still held in the Revenue Committee.
- In terms of LB 1032 (Adopt the Transitional Health Insurance Program Act and provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services), the Health and Human Services Committee has chosen, via Committee Amendment (AM 2473), to close the cost gap by appropriating \$63,000,000 over a three-year period from the State Health Care Cash Fund (tobacco settlement dollars) (Exhibit F). The Act would sunset after three years.

Brent Meyer, Noxious Weed Control Superintendent, appeared and reported LB 711 (Change provisions of the Noxious Weed Control Act and create the Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force) has been amended into LB 1038 (Change water appropriation application provisions), noting the Natural Resources Committee has designated that bill a priority.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

A. Resolution Regarding the Proposed Sale of Vacated Portions of South 54<sup>th</sup> Street, Including Declaring that the Property no Longer Serves a County Purpose, Determining Fair Market Value and Setting the Date for Sale of the Property, as Amended

Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer, said it was brought to his attention that the Board's action at the March 15, 2016 County Board of Commissioners Meeting was to approve an amendment to the motion to approve a resolution regarding the proposed sale of vacated portions of South 54<sup>th</sup> Street, including declaring that the property no longer serves a County purposed, determining fair market value and setting the date for sale of the property to include the fair market value of \$116,000, but the Board did not vote on the original motion.

MOTION:

Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded to approve the original motion to approve the resolution. Avery, Wiltgen, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

# ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

A. Update on General Assistance (GA) Move to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD)

Amundson said the Public Building Commission (PBC) has decided to have Property Management remodel space in the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD) Building to house the General Assistance (GA) Office rather than hiring an outside firm.

B. County Board Representative for Mayor and County Recognition for National Service (April 15, 2016, 3:00-4:00 p.m. at Tower Plaza, 13<sup>th</sup> & P Streets) **NOTE:** The correct date is April 5, 2016

Amundson agreed to represent the County Board at the event. It was noted a resolution will be scheduled on the April 5, 2016 County Board of Commissioners Meeting agenda to recognize AmeriCorps and Senior Corps volunteers.

**SOUTH BELTWAY UPDATE** - Mike Owen, Engineer VII, Lorraine Legg, Engineer V, and Andrew Mansfield, Engineer, III, Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR); Pam Dingman, County Engineer; Mike Breinzo, Transportation Planner, Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department

Mike Owen, Engineer VII, Lorraine Legg, Engineer V, and Andrew Mansfield, Engineer, III, Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR), discussed the South Beltway (a four-lane divided highway) project which will link Nebraska Highway 2 and U.S. Highway 77. It was noted there will be interchanges at Saltillo Road, U.S. Highway 77, South 27<sup>th</sup> Street, South 68<sup>th</sup> Street, South 84<sup>th</sup> Street, and South 120<sup>th</sup> Street/Nebraska Highway 2 (See Exhibits G-I for information on the purpose and need, project schedule, project overview, proposed typical section, design details, and maps). An agreement with Lancaster County will outline proposed construction on county roads, changes in the county road network, and funding and responsibilities for lighting, traffic control, county road closures, municipal separate storm water sewer systems (MS4) treatments, etc. Construction of the South Beltway, which is anticipated to start in 2020, is projected to cost \$200,000,000 (80% State/Federal funds and 20% City funds) and is anticipated to take five to seven years to build. It was noted the design for the South Beltway also accommodates the future East Beltway.

Mansfield outlined the following changes and impacts to the County road network:

- Rokeby Road (close the existing at-grade crossing of Rokeby Road and U.S. Highway 77, construct cul-de-sacs on both sides of Rokeby Road, and build a frontage road on the west side of U.S. Highway 77 to provide access to properties).
- Saltillo Road (close the existing at-grade crossing at U.S. Highway 77, reconstruct Saltillo Road and put it on a grade-separated structure over the South Beltway and U.S. Highway 77, construct roundabouts (circular intersections) at the ramp terminals in addition to reconstructing the access drives to get into Shrine Way (a private road accessing the Sesostris Shrine Center) on the west side of U.S. Highway 77 and a five-legged roundabout on the east ramp terminal with legs to Saltillo Road, South 14<sup>th</sup> Street, and access to Shoemakers Truck Stop and accesses to the ramps.
- Closing a segment of South 14<sup>th</sup> Street and existing accesses to Conoco/Phillips Products terminal and the former Silver Spoke Saloon and reconstruct frontage roads to provide access to those properties.
- Construct a cul-de-sac at Bennet Road east and west of U.S. Highway 77, regrade and resurface the road with gravel from U.S. Highway 77 west to Southwest 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and east to South 25<sup>th</sup> Street, and build a small frontage road on the west side of U.S. Highway 77 to provide access to a residential development.

- South Beltway will go over South 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Salt Creek, the Homestead Trail and Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway. South 25<sup>th</sup> Street will remain open.
- A roundabout will be constructed on Saltillo Road and South 27<sup>th</sup> Street, which currently ends at Saltillo Road, will be extended south of Saltillo Road to a diamond interchange (South 27<sup>th</sup> Street will be on a bridge over the South Beltway) and the alignment will be tied back into South 38<sup>th</sup> Street/Bennet Road south of the interchange. Concrete surfacing will end south of the interchange ramps and transition back to a gravel roadway. Cul-de-sacing of South 38<sup>th</sup> Street, north and south of the South Beltway, is also proposed. Small frontage roads will provide access, north and south, at the South 38<sup>th</sup> Street/Bennet Road corner.
- South 54<sup>th</sup> Street will be placed on a grade-separated structure over the South Beltway and a segment of South 54<sup>th</sup> Street will be reconstructed.
- South 68<sup>th</sup> Street will be a diamond interchange over the South Beltway and will tie into a roundabout at the Saltillo Road/South 70<sup>th</sup> Street interchange. South 68<sup>th</sup> Street will be closed north of the South Beltway with a cul-de-sac and a roundabout will be constructed.
- South 82<sup>nd</sup> Street/South 84<sup>th</sup> Street interchange will be a folded diamond interchange because there are wetlands on the southeast side of the interchange. A small frontage road will be constructed to provide access to acreages. South 82<sup>nd</sup> Street will be cul-de-saced on both sides. A roundabout will be constructed at South 84<sup>th</sup> Street/Saltillo Road to correct the offset "T" intersection that currently exists.
- Saltillo Road will be placed on a bridge over the South Beltway so South 96<sup>th</sup> Street will be realigned east of the existing intersection of South 98<sup>th</sup> Street and South 98<sup>th</sup> Street will be relocated north of the South Beltway to provide for better site distance. South 96<sup>th</sup> Street will be eliminated from Saltillo Road to the South Beltway.
- South Beltway will go over the existing Omaha Public Power District (OPPD) Railway Track and relocated South 120<sup>th</sup> Street and Nebraska Highway 2 (which is being called Business 2) will be tied together and put together on a grade-separated structure over the South Beltway as it continues to the east to tie into the existing Nebraska Highway 2. South 120<sup>th</sup> Street will be cul-de-saced south of the South Beltway, north of the OPPD Rail Spur, and a new at-grade rail crossing will be constructed to tie into the bridge over the South Beltway. The existing Rokeby Road/OPPD Rail Spur crossing will be closed. The existing South 98<sup>th</sup> Street/OPPD Rail Spur crossing would also be closed and a segment of South 98<sup>th</sup> Street and Breagan Road reconstructed with a new at-grade crossing. The number of OPPD Rail Spur crossings would remain the same.
- Rokeby Road, east of the OPPD Rail Spur, and South 120<sup>th</sup> Street, north of the South Beltway, would be closed.

• A frontage roadway on the south side of Nebraska Highway 2, east of the interchange, would be closed with a cul-de-sac and would be tied in with a frontage road back to South 134<sup>th</sup> Street. South 134<sup>th</sup> Street will be placed on a grade-separated structure over the South Beltway and the existing South 134<sup>th</sup> Street/Nebraska Highway 2 intersection will be closed. A series of frontage roads on the northeast, southeast and southwest side will be constructed to provide access to residential and farm properties. The existing South 134<sup>th</sup> Street at-grade crossing with the OPPD Rail Spur will be shifted slightly to the east and a frontage road will be constructed back to South 134<sup>th</sup> Street, north of Nebraska Highway 2, to provide access to properties.

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, remarked the South Beltway design takes care of a lot of safety issues in the area with minimal impact to businesses.

Hudkins questioned the need to close the Rokeby Road and U.S. Highway 77 intersection, noting it carries a lot of traffic to Trinity Chapel Church. Mansfield said traffic would need to exit at Warlick Boulevard or at the Saltillo Road interchange. Owen said the intent is to create a freeway system so interchanges have to be spaced to logical points. A certain distance is also required to add and drop lanes. Avery inquired about the spacing standards for exits. Owen said it is one mile apart in an urban interchange system and a minimum of two miles apart in a rural system. Hudkins asked whether they considered off road access for traffic coming from Lincoln. Owen said "right-ins and right-outs" need to be eliminated in order to get to freeway standards. Access will just be by interchanges. Owen noted NDOR also plans to move the West Bypass from expressway standards to freeway standards in the future. Hudkins said County residents are opposed to that.

Avery asked why Bennet Road will have gravel surfacing instead of pavement. Dingman explained that section of Bennet Road is dirt so a gravel surface would be a major improvement. She said the County doesn't pave a road until there are traffic counts of 300 to 400 vehicles a day.

Hudkins expressed concern regarding truck traffic on the Saltillo Road roundabouts. Legg said Shoemakers Truck Stop is aware of the design. Owen said there are similar roundabouts on U.S. Highway 75 with significant truck traffic.

Wiltgen asked whether the South Beltway will alleviate traffic on Old Cheney Road. Dingman said that issue will be addressed in the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan.

Hudkins asked why full interchanges are planned at South 70<sup>th</sup> Street and South 84<sup>th</sup> Street. Owen said they were laid out in the late 1990's and said he lacks the background to provide an answer. Legg thought it was based off public input. Dingman said South 70<sup>th</sup> Street and South 84<sup>th</sup> Street are major corridors and were always part of the Long-Range Traffic Plan.

Hudkins asked why traffic is not provided access to old "Old Nebraska Highway 2" to come into Lincoln. Legg explained it is becomes complicated with the possibility of an East Beltway being added. It was felt it would be better to bring traffic in through an interchange.

Amundson inquired about the impact to the unincorporated community of Cheney. Dingman did not feel it would be significant. Dingman said you would not want to route significant traffic through Cheney, given the condition of its infrastructure, adding NDOR is aware of the concerns.

Owen asked the Board to review a draft agreement and submit its comments to NDOR within the next four to six weeks, adding NDOR would like to reach an agreement before taking the plan to the public. **NOTE:** The County Clerk's Office was not provided a copy of the agreement.

5 UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS - Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer; Liz Thanel, Accountant, Budget and Fiscal Office; Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director

Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer, said the County has been carrying some old uncollectible accounts for the Community Mental Health Center (CMHC), Mental Health Crisis Center and General Assistance (GA) because Medicaid only covered a portion of services provided and suggested the Board take action to "write off" those accounts. He reported a total of \$169,537.13 for the mental health portion with balances ranging in amounts from less than \$10.00 up to \$400.00.

In response to a question from Wiltgen, Liz Thanel, Accountant, Budget and Fiscal Office, said the accounts are 18 months to 2 years old. She said, in the past, CMHC wrote off the uncollectible accounts at the end of the year as a routine action. Meyer added he believes Board needs to take action on uncollectible accounts, not the department.

Hudkins asked whether there would be value in stepping-up the collection procedure to try to collect more. Thorpe said these accounts were for CMHC clients and said CMHC was not successful in locating them.

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, reported a balance of \$92,446.38 for uncollectible accounts, ranging from \$1.98 to over \$200.00, for GA clients. She said the accounts cover the period of 2006 to 2014 and reflect pharmacy claims that were not reimbursed by Medicaid. Hoyle noted the County had contracted with Wagey Drug and said it is her understanding that Medicaid would not provide reimbursement in some instances because it had assigned another pharmacy to the client. **NOTE:** Wagey Drug submitted claims to the County and the County paid the pharmacy, which in turn sought

reimbursement from Medicaid on behalf of the County. She said she is working with Eagan, Dave Derbin, Deputy County Attorney and Medicaid to try to designate the County as the surface provider so it can directly seek reimbursement.

**MOTION:** Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded to direct the County Attorney's Office to prepare a resolution to write off the uncollectible accounts.

Wiltgen, who serves on the GA Monitoring Committee, said there has been a significant increase in revenues to offset the expense.

**ROLL CALL:** Wiltgen, Hudkins, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

# ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

C. Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) Records Manager Update

Eagan noted meetings were held with the department heads who had expressed concerns about allowing access to their records.

Wiltgen said he still has concerns about internal controls and sent an e-mail to Erik Willsey, Kapish Software Company, regarding safeguards in the HP Records Manager (HP RM) system (Exhibit J).

D. Prudential Client Conference (May 11-13, 2016 in Colorado Springs, Colorado)

Eagan said the Prudential has extended an invitation to attend the Client Conference and will pay all costs other than travel. He said he and Doug Cyr would like to attend and said their travel costs could be paid out of the Lancaster County Retirement Expense Account. **NOTE:** Eagan and Cyr are members of the Pension Review Committee (PRC).

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded to authorize Kerry Eagan and Doug Cyr to attend the Prudential Client Conference with travel costs paid out of the Lancaster County Retirement Expense Account. Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

**6 RURAL TRANSIT UPDATE** - Randy Jones, Aging Partners Director

Randy Jones, Aging Partners Director, gave an update on the Rural Transit Program noting a significant increase in ridership (see Exhibits K & L). He said there have been some staffing changes and salary savings have been used to increase marketing of the program. Fares were compared with neighboring counties and were found to be

consistent for one way transport. There appears to be some confusion regarding after hours fares and those fares are being reviewed. Jones said they are also looking at restructuring the routes to provide more access to the northern and southern portions of the County.

Jones said he will be bringing forward the annual public transportation operating assistance funding request in April and said the County will be asked to provide match in the amount of \$16,697 (a 12% reduction).

# ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

E. Lincoln Marathon Volunteers

Amundson and Hudkins indicated they will not be available on April 29<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> to assist with the event.

F. City-County Common Meeting Date Change

Minette Genuchi, Administrative Assistant to the County Board, appeared and said Trent Fellers, Lincoln City Council Chair, has asked that the meeting be rescheduled from May 2<sup>nd</sup> to sometime in June and said June 27<sup>th</sup> is the first Monday that all County Board members will be available. There was no objection to the request.

G. Merit Pay for Directors

Avery said he and Amundson met with Doug McDaniel, Lincoln-Lancaster County Human Resources Director, to discuss the issue and concluded the Board should not provide merit pay to directors since there are no standards in place to evaluate merit. Amundson said the current format, which involves a conversation with each director, would have to become more formal. She added the Board's recent action to set the salary of Kim Etherton, Community Corrections Director, was a salary, rather than a merit, increase.

H. Mental Health Crisis Center Tentative Open House Date (April 15, 2016)

Informational only.

7 INTRODUCTION OF JENNIFER DUROW, NEW ACCOUNTANT IN THE COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE - Andy Stebbing, County Treasurer; Candace Meredith, Chief Deputy Treasurer

Andy Stebbing, County Treasurer, introduced Jennifer Durow, the new accountant in the County Treasurer's Office.

Durow discussed her banking background and said she working to become a Certified Public Accountant (CPA).

Hudkins suggested the County Treasurer's Office consult the Nebraska Public Agency Investment Trust (NPAIT) regarding investment of funds.

Stebbing also reported on the 2016 Public Delinquent Tax Lien Sale that was held March 7<sup>th</sup> noting the sale brought in \$1,000,000.

Avery exited the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

# ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

A. City Library Board Appointment (Exhibits A & B)

There was general consensus to schedule appointment of Marcy Baker to the Library Board on the March 22, 2016 County Board of Commissioners Meeting agenda.

Avery returned to the meeting at 10:38 a.m.

# **DISCUSSION OF BOARD MEMBER MEETINGS**

A. Information Services Policy Committee (ISPC) - Wiltgen

Wiltgen said Steve Henderson, Chief Information Officer, Information Services (IS), gave an update on the cost allocation for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 and FY 2017-18. He said the average increase next year will be 2.93% and 3.98% the following year, adding there hasn't been any significant "push back" from any of the users thus far. Wiltgen said they also received information about the City's Open Data Project which would create a standard for electronic data.

B. Public Building Commission (PBC) - Amundson/Hudkins

Amundson said they approved changes and an extension of the completion date for remodel of the Benesch Building to house the Mental Health Crisis Center. Hudkins noted the window film the architects specified does not provide sufficient screening and the architect has been asked to absorb the \$7,000 to \$9,000 cost to correct it. Amundson said they also discussed moving General Assistance (GA) to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department (LLCHD), security issues, an Active Shooter Policy and the upcoming severe weather drill.

**PENDING AND POTENTIAL LITIGATION** - Doug Cyr, Chief Deputy County Attorney; David Derbin, Deputy County Attorney

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded to enter Executive Session at 10:40 a.m. for the purpose of protecting the public interest with regards to pending and potential litigation. Hudkins, Avery, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

The Chair restated the reason for the Board entering Executive Session.

**MOTION:** Wiltgen moved and Avery seconded to exit Executive Session at 11:15 a.m. Avery, Wiltgen, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

9 PRUDENTIAL GUIDESPARK PILOT PROGRAM - Crystal Vacura, Security Education Counselor, Prudential Retirement

Crystal Vacura, Security Education Counselor, Prudential Retirement, provided information on Prudential's GuideSpark, a tool to help participants in the County's retirement plan to assess and improve their financial well-being, and asked the Lancaster County to serve as a pilot for the program (Exhibit M). She said there will be no cost to the County or participants.

There was consensus to serve as a pilot for GuideSpark.

#### 10 ACTION ITEMS

A. Resolution Regarding the Proposed Sale of Vacated Portions of South 54<sup>th</sup> Street, Including Declaring that the Property no Longer Serves a County Purpose, Determining Fair Market Value and Setting the Date for Sale of the Property, as Amended

Item was moved forward on the agenda.

# 11 CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items.

# 12 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

- A. Update on General Assistance (GA) Move to the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department
- B. County Board Representative for Mayor and County Recognition for National Service (April 15, 2016, 3:00-4:00 p.m. at Tower Plaza, 13<sup>th</sup> & P Streets)

- C. Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) Records Manager Update
- D. Prudential Client Conference (May 11-13, 2016 in Colorado Springs, Colorado)
- E. Lincoln Marathon Volunteers
- F. City-County Common Meeting Date Change
- G. Merit Pay for Directors
- H. Mental Health Crisis Center Tentative Open House Date (April 15, 2016)

Items A-H were moved forward on the agenda.

#### 13 PENDING

There were no pending items.

# 14 DISCUSSION OF BOARD MEMBER MEETINGS

- A. Information Services Policy Committee (ISPC) Wiltgen
- B. Public Building Commission (PBC) Amundson/Hudkins

Items A & B were moved forward on the agenda.

C. Parks & Recreation Advisory Board - Hudkins

Hudkins said it was originally proposed that ballfields in the area that Speedway Properties and Nelnet are planning to redevelop near 21<sup>st</sup> and N Streets would be replaced in close proximity to the neighborhood. He said other locations are now being proposed, including 84<sup>th</sup> and "O" Streets and South 84<sup>th</sup> Street and Yankee Hill Road, which he said the Advisory Board does not support. Hudkins said they also received a recommendation from the Golf Committee to raise golf fees at the Highlands and Pioneers Golf Courses.

D. Juvenile Justice Review Committee (JJRC) - Amundson

Meeting was rescheduled.

E. Region V Services Executive Committee - Wiltgen

Meeting was cancelled.

F. Region V Services Governing Board- Wiltgen

Wiltgen said Dave Merrill, Region V Services Executive Director, gave an overview of services and mentioned that March is Developmental Disability Awareness Month.

# G. Region V Systems Governing Board - Wiltgen

Wiltgen said they approved a new contract with the Healthy Families Project to relocate their offices from Trabert Hall and approved contract amendments including \$109,000 for additional services (medical management, outpatient and dual residence) with CenterPointe, Inc. He noted Region V received additional dollars from a redistribution of unused state funds and said there will be a three-to-one match to draw down the funds. Wiltgen said those costs will be passed along to the counties that make up Region V and said Lancaster County's contribution for the next fiscal year will be increased by 27.54%.

H. Region V Systems Executive Committee - Wiltgen

Meeting was cancelled.

I. Lincoln Independent Business Association (LIBA) Budget Monitoring Committee - Amundson

Amundson said discussion focused on the Railroad and Transportation Safety District's (RTSD's) 33<sup>rd</sup> and Cornhusker Study, the City's proposed storm water bond issue, and the City's budget process.

J. General Assistance (GA) Monitoring Committee - Wiltgen

Wiltgen said Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer, gave a budget update and Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, presented statistics on usage. He said the Committee discussed proposed revisions to the GA Guidelines. Eagan said any references to behavioral health services and related assisted living services will be eliminated because they are Region V responsibilities. Wiltgen said they also received an update on Health360, a new community program designed to provide uninsured individuals with access to free or discounted medications, assistance in finding a medical home and access to specialty medical care, and the health care exchange. Eagan said they will continue to look at using GA dollars to pay insurance premiums for GA clients on the health care exchange, noting there is a question of whether the County would forfeit its right to be reimbursed by Medicaid if it does so.

K. Parks and Recreation Futures Committee - Hudkins

Hudkins reported on revisions to the plans to expand the Lincoln Children's Zoo, including moving most of the parking across A Street. He said the Committee feels a pedestrian bridge across A Street would be needed.

Avery inquired about plans for the Ager Indoor Play Center. Hudkins said it would be eliminated under the new proposal.

# 15 EMERGENCY ITEMS AND OTHER BUSINESS

There were no emergency items or other business.

# **16 ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Avery moved and Wiltgen seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:49 a.m.

Avery, Wiltgen, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent

from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

Dan Nolte

Lancaster County Clerk



# ARTICLE X ORDER OF BUSINESS

Agenda; Public Comment on Agenda Items; Approval of minutes of previous meeting; Reports from Standing Committees; Reports from Special Committees; Old Business; New Business; Report from President; Report from Library Director; Public Comment.

# ARTICLE XI POWERS OF THE BOARD

The Board shall have the power to establish rules and regulations not inconsistent with the Lincoln Municipal Code. These By-Laws are for the government of the Library, and the care and preservation of all Library properties.

# ARTICLE XII BY-LAWS AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting by the affirmative vote of five members of the Board, provided notice has been given at the last regular meeting before the proposed amendment is presented for consideration, and the amendment proposed is placed on file with the Secretary. No amendment shall be effective until reported to the City Council and a copy is filed with the City Clerk.

# ARTICLE XIII County Representative to the Library Board

- Section 1. Representative: The Library Board shall select a resident of Lancaster County who lives outside the Lincoln City limits to serve as a non-voting County Representative on the Library Board. The County Representative shall have all of the rights and responsibilities of board members, except the Representative shall not have a vote during Library Board meetings.
- Section 2. Method of Appointment and Term:
  - (a)The Library Board shall accept applications for the position of County Representatives. The Board will review those applications and forward the applications and the Board's recommendation for an appointment to the Lancaster County Board.
  - (b) The County Board shall appoint the County Representative from among the people who applied for the position. The County Representative shall serve for a seven (7) year term.

Section 3. Effect on Quorum: The County Representative shall not count toward the Board's quorum requirement.





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March 16, 2016

Roma Amundson, Chair Lancaster County Board of Commissioners 555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 110 Lincoln, NE 68508

Dear Ms. Amundson:

Attached is the application of Marcy Baker, a Lancaster county resident living outside the Lincoln city limits, who is interested in being appointed to the newly created County Liaison position.

Along with a media release announcing the liaison opportunity, notice was posted on the library's website. One additional individual expressed interest, however he did not qualify since he lived within the Lincoln city limits.

The Library Board Committee on Administration reviewed Ms. Baker's qualifications and presented its report and recommendation to the Library Board at the Board's March 15, 2016, meeting.

After thorough review, the Library Board recommends Marcy Baker for appointment to the Library Board's County Liaison position. When the County Board completes its appointment process, Ms. Baker will be contacted and the orientation process begun.

Thank you for your consideration. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Pat Leach Library Director February 29, 2016

Candidate Search Lincoln City Libraries 136 S. 14<sup>th</sup> St. Lincoln NE 68508

Dear Library Board:

Please find enclosed my application for the Library Board Liaison position posted on the library website. I look forward to your consideration. Please contact me with any questions you might have. My daytime phone number is 402-437-4609 and my home number is 402-786-2337.

Thank you,

Marcy Baker

# LINCOLN CITY LIBRARIES BOARD APPOINTMENT INFORMATION

The purpose of this form is to obtain general information for use in the nomination and confirmation process for appointment of a **County Liaison** to the Library Board of Lincoln City Libraries. If you have recently prepared a biography or resume, please attach it to this form. Complete both sides and return to: Library Board, Lincoln City Libraries, 136 So. 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, NE 68508

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Are you available for monthly library board meetings – generally Tuesday mornings or Tuesday evenings?

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Marcy Baker - Addendum to Application for Board Appointment

Outline your experience in budgeting, human resources/personnel, accounting, tech/internet, and legal matters relating to government or nonprofit organizations.

I am currently a Senior Claims Administrator for Assurity Life. I've worked here since 2000, and been in a supervisory role since 2005. I manage 16 claims analysts who process thousands of dollars daily in claim payouts. My job is to ensure that they are processing claims correctly within the confines of the policy contract, as well as the state and federal laws that insurance companies must follow. I help monitor expenses as well as claim payouts through auditing and several reporting methods. We use technology and the internet every day — a lot of our work is done using internet resources such as Google, medical terminology websites, medical record ordering, etc. We are under strict adherence to be compliant in all matters related to claims, such as number of days to respond to a new claim, number of days to pay or deny a claim, etc. We have several methods for following these guidelines, including utilizing our legal department. While I don't work for a government or nonprofit company, I imagine many things are similar.

What are your goals and philosophy for providing public library service?

I think communication and visibility are very important. I have talked to people I know who are not even aware that the library has dvds or e-books to check out. There are many programs and features that even those who are not "readers" can utilize or take advantage of. The current campaign of "libraries are more than books" is good, but think the reach can be expanded — I have only seen the posters at the libraries. I am not sure what is already in place, but an outreach program to schools encouraging library cards would be good. The new online capabilities of text messages for notifications is great, and so is the new author alert. Continuing to move forward with social media as well as digital offerings is a great step — while e-books are insanely popular, the hard copy of a book is also needed. I am also onboard with a new central library being at Pershing. I think the youth programs offer a great variety. My son is 12 and has participated in the summer reading program and its events for the last 3 years and we have also been to several events including the spring birding event which has been at Eisley and Walt.

How does the First Amendment apply to providing public library service?

Free speech is very important and I think the public library contributes to this by not banning books and making many types of books available for those who want them. This could include erotica, gay/lesbian subject books, including those for children and teens. I think that is a great step to have those available.

What background or experience do you have that would be a benefit to the library?

I am an avid reader. I mainly read fiction, but do enjoy non-fiction as well and love cookbooks and gardening books. I keep up with popular authors and regularly peruse Barnes and Noble online for new books coming out. I am on the mailing list for many e-newsletters which review books and discuss new releases as well as author newsletters and several of the library newsletters. I am also a member of

Goodreads. I also have an RTBook Reviews subscription which reviews over 200 books each issue. I also use Overdrive and the library to read e-books on my Nook.

I used to work at Barnes and Noble part time. You needed to be very familiar with many subjects and authors even if you did not read their work. I am very well versed in many authors and their style of writing. Having a child, I am also familiar with children's books and can make recommendations for people (grandparents would come in and say, "My grandson loves those Percy Jackson books, is there anything like that you could suggest?").

I know many of the Bennett Martin employees by name, and they also know me by name. I am there at least once per week if not more.

Please detail volunteer activities, past and present.

My company offers many volunteer activities, and I was on the volunteer and wellness committees for a few years. I have served food at the Gathering Place, delivered Meals on Wheels, read at Elliott Elementary School, done trail trash pick up, Cedars giving tree, food bank drives, and supported the events that Assurity has participated in (Relay for Life, AHA, ACS, etc). I have also been a literacy tutor as well as ESL tutoring. My son is active in drama and choir, both at school and extra-curricular, and I have volunteered my time at choir concerts, auditions, band soup suppers, sold tickets and the many other duties involved with these type of activities. I have also been involved with the necessary fundraising activities for these type of activities as well.





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#### LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Lancaster County Board of Commissioners

FROM:

Gordon E. Kissel Joseph D. Kohout Jonathan G. Bradford Ryan MacDonald

DATE:

March 17, 2016

RE:

Weekly Update on the 2016 Legislature

This is your eleventh weekly update of the Nebraska Legislature for 2016. Today is day 44. We continued full-day debate on Tuesday and will work through the noon-hour from this point through the end of the session (with 20 minute lunches and estimated 7pm adjournment).

The body reconvened Tuesday at 9:00am and continued the filibuster on LB745 introduced by Senator McCollister, a bill that would change game and parks commission fee and permit provisions. The body took a cloture vote at 12:30 and advanced the bill to Select File with a 39 -3 vote.

After lunch, the body took up two budget bills introduced by Speaker Galen Hadley and explained by Chairman of the Appropriations Committee Senator Heath Mello. The first budget bill LB956 provides for deficit appropriations and the second bill LB957 provides changes and eliminates fund provisions and change artwork, renovation, and replacement provisions for state buildings. Both of the bills advanced to Select File after about 2 hours of debate. The body also advanced LB 981 introduced by the Business and Labor Committee, a bill to provide for payment of claims against the state. The last bill debated on Tuesday was LB960 introduced by Senator Jim Smith and prioritized by Senator Lydia Brasch. LB960 adopts the Transportation Innovation Act and provide transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund. LB960 and LB960A were both passed with 33 ayes and no opposition.

On Wednesday the body passed four appropriation bills. The first was LB722A that appropriates \$74,646 from the General Fund for Senator Baker's adopt the stroke system of care act. Second was LB977A that would appropriate \$10,379 from the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund for Senator Smith's bill LB977 that provides state assistance for public transportation, Breast Cancer Awareness Plates, electronic processing of commercial drivers' licenses and permits, and operation of implements of husbandry and change specialty license plate provisions, distribution of taxes and fees, use of blue and

amber lights, and motor vehicle industry provisions. The remainder of the day was spent debating LB900 by Senator Dave Bloomfield of Hoskins that would repeal the Nebraska helmet law. We expect that the Legislature will take up a motion to invoke cloture later this morning.

Based on an announcement by Speaker Hadley, we expect the agenda to reflect a significant number of bills on Select File and they will take up the third consent calendar of the session on Friday.

Below, please find the latest legislation of particular note to Lancaster County:

# HIGH PRIORITY BILLS

LB 188: Change provisions relating to innocent third parties injured during a vehicular pursuit

Introduced by Senator Dan Watermeier of Syracuse

Committee: Judiciary

Hearing Date: January 23, 2015

Advanced to Select File with AM374. Amendment 2199 was adopted.

Schumacher Filed AM2140 FAILED; Cloture vote failed

POSITION: QUIET SUPPORT

The bill states that a passenger in a fleeing vehicle shall not be considered to be an innocent third party if the passenger (a) enters with knowledge the driver is under the influence (b) fails to take steps to persuade the driver of the fleeing vehicle to stop the vehicle (c) promotes or provokes the driver to flee (d) are themselves subject to arrest or (e) is engaged in illegal activity that would itself give rise to arrest. AM374 would include a passenger that enters "onto" a vehicle in the new subsection (5)(a).

LB 711 - Change provisions of the Noxious Weed Control Act and create the Riparian

Vegetation Management Task Force

Introduced by Senator Dan Hughes of Venango

Hearing Date: February 18, 2016 Committee: Natural Resources

POSITION: WEED CONTROL SUPPORTS

LB 711 establishes the Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force to be housed within the Department of Agriculture. Starting FY 2016-2017 appropriation of \$2million dollars annually for the management of vegetation within the banks of a natural stream. Governor will appoint members of the task force; one surface water project representative from each river basin; one representative from Dept. of Agriculture; Department of Environmental Quality; Department of Natural Resources; office of the Governor; office of the State Forester; Games and Parks; and the University of Nebraska. Two representatives nominated by Association of Resources Districts; two representatives nominated by Nebraska Weed Control Association; one riparian landowner from congressional districts; one representative from the Nebraska Environmental Trust. Any member of the Legislature may serve as an ex officio at his or her option. Meetings are to be held in communities within the Republican River and Platte River basins. Report submitted to the Governor each year on June 30<sup>th</sup>. First report would be due on 6/30/2017

LB 742- Change county population thresholds Introduced by Senator Matt Hansen of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February 4, 2016

Committee: Government

POSITION: SUPPORT / NACO SUPPORT

Speaker Priority Bill Advanced to General File

The agenda for the past few days have showed LB742 but we have not gotten to it.

LB 742 would bring current language addressing those growing counties nearing the 400,000 inhabitants threshold as determined by the federal census. Currently, this would immediately address the needs of Lancaster County.

LB 765 - Increase original certificate of title fees for vehicles transferred to Nebraska from another state or country

Introduced by Senator Tommy Garrett of Bellevue

Hearing Date: January 26, 2016

Committee: Transportation & Telecommunications

POSITION: SUPPORT THROUGH THE LANCASTER COUNTY TREASURER

LB 765 would amend Section 60-154 by increasing fees related to each original certificate of title issued by a Nebraska county or the Department of Motor Vehicles for a motor vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, minibike, or trailer being titled in Nebraska from another state or country by increasing the current \$10 fee to \$25 for these types of vehicles receiving an original certificate of title.

LB 774 - Provide a sales and use tax exemption for purchases by nonprofit substance abuse treatment centers.

Introduced by Senator Jim Scheer of Norfolk

Hearing Date: February 5, 2016

Committee: Revenue

Advanced to General File with AM2422; Revenue Committee Priority Bill POSITION: SUPPORT THROUGH A LETTER FROM THE BOARD

AM2422 includes the provisions of LB542 which was introduced at the request of the Lancaster County
Agricultural Society that would exempt ag societies from paying sales tax on purchases. The agenda for the past
few days have showed LB774 but we have not gotten to it.

LB 774 adds that sales and use taxes shall not be imposed on substance abuse treatment centers licensed under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act. They may apply for an exemption on forms provided by the Tax Commissioner.

Hearing Notes: Proponent Testimony of Pat Connel, Boystown; John Synowiecki, Nebraska Association of Behavioral Health; No Neutral or Opponent testimony.

LB 777- Change provisions relating to partial payments for property taxes held in escrow Introduced by Senator Mike Gloor of Grand Island

Hearing Date: January 21, 2016

Committee: Revenue

POSITION: OPPOSE THROUGH COUNTY TREASURER

LB 777 requires County Treasurers to accept partial payments for property taxes. The bill removes the language any county board may pass a resolution and replaces it with the county treasurer shall.

LB 894 - Change provisions relating to appointment of Counsel in juvenile cases

Introduced by Senator Patty Pansing-Brooks of Lincoln

Hearing Date: January 20, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

Prioritized by the Judiciary Committee

Placed on Select File W/ER181; Howard AM2600 pending; Krist AM2610 pending; Coash AM2556 pending

LB 894 would allow for a minor to have a court appointed attorney if the guardians of the child can't afford one upon a court petition being filed.

AM1962 is a white copy amendment to LB894 that combines the bill with provisions originally in LB675, LB709, LB845 and LB893. Senator Krist's AM2456 amended the provisions included as part of LB845.

LB 915 - Create a veterans treatment court pilot project Introduced by Senator John McCollister of Omaha Committee: Judiciary Hearing: February 5, 2016 POSITION: NEUTRAL

Note: The provisions of LB915 have been amended into LB919

LB 915 creates a three-year pilot program for treatment of veteran's in Douglas County. After conclusion of the three-year study, the Nebraska Supreme Court would make recommendations for the model to be used in other counties.

LB 919 - Change provisions relating to problem solving court programs.

Introduced by Senator Matt Williams of Gothenburg

Hearing Date: February 5, 2016

Committee: Judiciary POSITION: SUPPORT Senator Williams Priority

Placed on Final Reading March 15, 2016 LB 919A introduced by Senator Williams.

In LB 919, the Legislature declares that problem solving court programs, including drug, veterans, mental health, driving under the influence, reentry, and other problem solving court programs, help in reducing recidivism. The bill states problem solving court programs offer a person accused of drug alcohol and other alternative to traditional criminal justice proceedings or juvenile justice dispositions. LB 919 would use funds already appropriated to Nebraska Supreme Court to be used to look into evidence-based interventions, including medication-assisted treatment.

LB 936 - Change inheritance tax rates and exemption amounts.

Introduced by Senator Laura Ebke of Crete

Hearing Date: February 17, 2016

Committee: Revenue

POSITION: OPPOSE / NACO OPPOSE Commissioner Schorr testified in opposition.

LB 936 changes inheritance tax to one percent for everything above one hundred thousand dollars and anything below that limit will not be taxed.

LB 940 - Adopt the Tax Stabilization Act Introduced by Senator Jerry Johnson of Wahoo

Committee: Revenue

Hearing Date: February 4, 2015

POSITION: OPPOSE / NACO OPPOSE

LB 940 creates the Tax Stabilization Act to provide property tax relief to property owners across that state and to give the Legislature time to consider appropriate changes to state law that would reduce the reliance on property taxes for the funding of school districts in the state of Nebraska.

LB 958- Change provisions relating to budgets, the valuation of agricultural land, and levy limitations

Introduced by Senator Mike Gloor of Grand Island at the request of the Governor

Committee: Revenue

Hearing Date: February 4, 2016

POSITION: OPPOSE / NACO OPPOSE Prioritized by Revenue Committee

Since the last staff meeting, there have been several conversations by the Revenue Committee on LB958. The most recent discussion indicate that a potential deal is holding among committee members that would do two things: (1) place between \$20 and \$30 Million into the property tax relief act to be distributed only for agricultural land and (2) a 3% cap on growth for community colleges.

LB 958 strikes the allowable growth percentage from exceeding a levy that may be approved at the same meeting as a vote to exceed the limits of a final levy. Limitations do not apply to restricted funds budgeted for capital improvements, or restricted funds from a qualified sinking fund for acquisition or replacement of tangible personal property. The bill increases any budget adopted by a governmental unit by an amount equal to the restricted funds budgeted for the immediately prior fiscal year for capital improvements, the restricted funds budgeted for the immediately prior fiscal year and the restricted funds expended in the immediately prior fiscal year. The Property Tax Administrator shall provide information to the commission necessary to determine the adjustments for agricultural land and horticulture.

LB 959 - Change and eliminate provisions relating to school funding, budgets, and levy authority.

Introduced by: Senator Kate Sullivan of Cedar Rapids at the request of the Governor.

Committee: Education

Prioritized by the Education Committee

LB 959 states that for school fiscal year 2017-18 and each school fiscal year thereafter, if the formula need calculated for a school district is less than ninety-eight present of the formula need for such district immediately preceding the school fiscal year for which aid is being calculated, the formula need for such district shall equal ninety-eight percent of the formula. The effective date of the act for school fiscal year 2016-17 is null and void. Each school district shall have a budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures equal to the general fund budget of expenditures minus exclusions, except for expenditures to pay for employer contributions to

either the school Employees Retirement System of the State of Nebraska or the retirement system established pursuant to the Class V School Employees Retirement Act. Employee benefit fund cash reserves shall not exceed such applicable allowable reserve percentage. For exclusions approved by the state board, the board shall establish a schedule for reducing budget authority over the five-year period for which cost savings have been demonstrated in an amount equal to ten percent of the approved exclusion of the five years.

LB 960 – Adopt the Transportation Innovation Act and provide transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund

Introduced by Senator Jim Smith of Papillion at the request of the Governor

Hearing Date: February 16, 2016 Committee: Appropriations

Position - SUPPORT / NACO SUPPORT

Senator Brasch Priority Bill; Sen. Jim Smith has requested Commissioner Avery appear in

Senator Avery testified in support. Pam Dingman testified neutral.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial March 16, 2016; Placed on Select File

Since the last meeting, LB960 moved to Select File following the adoption of the Committee Amendment provided to the Board last week. We expect LB960 to be on the Legislative Agenda early next week.

Under LB 960 Transportation Innovation Act is created. Design build is created as an alternative method when considering projects. A transportation infrastructure bank is created from reserved funds in the amount of \$150 million to accelerate projects. A capital improvement program is created as well to speed up capital improvements. The county bridge match program is created for repair and replacement of county bridges. This includes matching requirements.

LB 977- Change provisions relating to implements of husbandry on highways

Introduced by Senator Jim Smith of Papillion

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

Hearing Date: February 1, 2016

Smith AM1895 Filed

Prioritized by the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee

Advanced to Enrollment and Review with ER189 March 15, 2016; Placed on Select File.

Since the last Staff meeting, there have been conversations between Senator Smith and both NACO and the Nebraska Cattlemen. Those conversations are ongoing.

LB 977 makes an exemption for the weight and load limitations for a farm tractor, self-propelled equipment, and additional agricultural machinery. The bill includes specific weight limits for the vehicles mentioned in the bill.

LB 992 – Provide a restriction on installment contracts for the purchase of real or personal property by political subdivisions

Introduced by Senator Laura Ebke of Crete

Hearing Date: February 17, 2016

Committee: Government

POSITION: OPPOSE THROUGH A LETTER / NACO MONITOR

Letter of opposition submitted

LB 992 states no political subdivision, with statutory authority can enter into an installment

contract for the purchase of property, if already an obligation exist of twenty-five million dollars or more from previous contracts. If a debt does exist above twenty-five million dollars, the subdivision cannot enter into a new contract.

LB 976 - Change provisions relating to jury sequestration

Introduced by Senator Les Seiler of Hastings

Hearing Date: NA Committee: Judiciary

POSITION: LETTER OF SUPPORT

Bill Withdrawn

Under LB 976, a court may order that a jury be sequestered during a trial or after final argument by the motion of the court or party if good cause is shown.

LB 1013 - Change tax on cigarettes and tobacco products and provide for distribution of proceeds.

Introduced by Senator Mike Gloor of Grand Island Hearing Date: February II, 2016 Continued Feb. 24.

Committee: Revenue Senator Gloor Priority

POSITION: SUPPORT - AUTHORIZE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO SUPPORT

LB 1013 would increase cigarette tax by one dollar and fifty cents, this would bring the total sales tax to two dollars and fourteen cents a pack. It is estimated that this tax increase would bring in a one hundred and twenty million dollars. Forty five million of that would go to the Property Tax Credit Fund; Forty five million to personal property tax exemption; and thirty million to the Health Care Cash Fund.

LB 1031 - Change the levy authority of railroad transportation safety districts

Introduced by Senator Matt Hansen of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February, 25 2016

Committee: Revenue

POSITION: OPPOSE/ NACO OPPOSE

LB 1031 removes the levy authority away from the county board and places it with the Railroad Transportation Board, which is made up of 3 county board members and 3 city council members. The move would free up two cents to the county board levy authority.

LB 1032 - Adopt the Transitional Health Insurance Program Act and provide duties for the

Department of Health and Human Services

Introduced by Senator John McCollister of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 10, 2016

Committee: Health and Human Services.

Prioritized by the Health and Human Services Committee

POSITION: SUPPORT - COMMISSIONER ADMUNSON TESTIMONY / NACO

**SUPPORT** 

Senator McCoy filed AM2163, 2164, 2166, 2168, and 2169.

Advanced to General File with AM2473

Since the last meeting, LB1032 moved to General File with COMAM2473. I have attached the summary of the bill with this report. According to the Committee Statement, AM2473 would do the following: AM2473 sunsets the

Transitional Health Insurance Program Act after three years, requires DHHS to notify participants of the termination, and ensures no appeals to the loss of eligibility due to this termination. Requires DHHS to hire a consultant to analyze the performance, revenue and savings of the Act six months prior to the legislative session when the program would terminate. Appropriates \$63 million from the Health Care Cash Fund to the Transitional Health Insurance Program Fund only for purposes of the state match for the newly eligible's coverage.

LB 1032 would provide health care coverage to individuals who cannot qualify for Medicaid. Medicaid funds would be used to buy private health insurance for those individuals making up one hundred thirty—three percent of the federal poverty level with no insurance. The bill allows for small contributions from enrollees and would take funds from the state health care cash fund to extend coverage up to seventy-seven thousand Nebraskans.

LB 1042 – Change provisions relating to tax-increment financing Introduced by Senator Curt Friesen of Henderson

Hearing Date: February 9, 2016 Committee: Urban Affairs POSITION: MONITOR INDEFINITELY POSTPONED

LB 1042 gives another layer of approval to tax-increment financing (TIF) projects. Before approval is made by the governing body of the TIF project, as described in 18-2116, the county board of equalization of the county that would be directly affected by the financing project, may approve the plan if it meets all statutory requirements for TIF imposed under the Community Development Law.

LB 1042 also changes the property valuation information certified by the Property Tax Administrator to the State Department of Education, which is used to determine the adjusted valuation of school districts for purposes of allocating state aid through the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act. The bill requires that excess valuation for properties that qualify for tax increment financing will be included in the assessed valuation of school districts for state aid purposes.

LB1055 - Open grand jury proceedings to the public as prescribed and change procedures in cases of death during apprehension by law enforcement officers while in custody Introduced by Senator Ernie Chambers of Omaha

Committee: Judiciary

Hearing Date: February 24, 2016

NACO Position Monitor POSITION: SUPPORT

Placed on General File W/AM2257

LB 1055: Permits all proceedings before grand juries to be open to the public. The case shall be treated as an open, ongoing matter until all evidence, reports, and other relevant material, which has been assembled are transferred to a prosecuting attorney appointed. The court shall appoint a prosecuting attorney who shall be the county attorney or a member of his or her staff who has had at least five years experience in criminal litigation, including felony litigation.

# LEGISLATION OF NOTE

LB 670 – Require a hearing prior to release for persons taken into custody for mental health reasons. Introduced by Senator Bob Krist of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 17, 2016 Committee: Judiciary Committee

LB 670 strikes language making a more strict interpretation of the release of a juvenile from temporary custody. The bill also inserts additional language that requires a mental health professional to immediately notify the county attorney if the juvenile is not deemed mentally ill and dangerous or a dangerous sex offender in which the county attorney shall proceed to a hearing before the court within 24 hours regarding the juvenile's release.

LB 673 – Change provisions relating to appointment of guardians ad litem. Introduced by Senator Bob Krist of Omaha Hearing Date: January 20, 2016
Committee: Judiciary Committee
Advanced to General File W/AM244, Chambers AM2449

LB 673 states that if there is a guardian ad litem division, appointments will first be directed to them and if a conflict exists the court may appoint a guardian ad litem outside of the division. It also replaces the court hearing of an application with the county board.

LB 675 – Change provisions relating to placement and detention of juveniles. Introduced by Senator Bob Krist of Omaha Hearing Date: January 20, 2016
Committee: Judiciary Committee

LB 675 adds language that prohibits a juvenile from being placed in a rehabilitation center unless an immediate and urgent reason persists. It also ensures that a juvenile will not be detained unless there is a legitimate threat to the security of anyone in the community or if it is necessary to ensure that the juvenile will appear at the next hearing due to a trend of absences at a hearing over a period of 12 months. It states that no juvenile under the year of 12 years old will at anytime under any circumstance be placed in detention; to allow a parent or guardian to avoid legal responsibility, punish treat or rehabilitate the juvenile, permit more convenient administrative access to the juvenile, facilitate further interrogation or investigation of the juvenile, due to lack of more appropriate facilities, or satisfy the demands of a victim, law enforcement, or the community.

LB 687 - Provide procedures for recall of state elective officers Introduced by Senator Bloomfield Committee: Government Hearing Date: February 4, 2016 Advanced to Select File

LB 687 provides that a recall petition is reviewed by the state and that the state is responsible for all costs of the recall procedure, any special election, or costs incurred related to a canceled election. The bill strikes language that excluded trustees of sanitary and improvement districts, members of a political subdivision, member of a governing body of a city, village, county, irrigation district, natural resource district, public power district, school district, community college, education service unit, hospital district, and metropolitan utility district. The bill also includes the process to bring about a petition against an elected official whether elected or appointed and that petition needs to be authorized by the filing clerk.

LB 693 – Change limitations of action provisions under the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act. Introduced by Senator Adam Morfeld of Lincoln

Hearing Date: January 28, 2016 Committee: Judiciary Committee

LB 693 extends from one year to two years every tort claim against a political subdivision.

LB 703 - Change provisions relating to nuisances in cities and villages.

Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee

Hearing Date: January 19, 2016

Committee: Urban Affairs Committee

Approved by the Governor on March 09, 2016

LB 703 states a city or village must establish method of notice by ordinance. If done by US mail first class, it must contain a mark indicating importance. Within five days of receipt, owner/occupant of the ground may request a hearing on the nuisance. Hearing would be set within fourteen days of the appeal filing and a hearing officer has five business days to render a decision.

LB 704 – Change building code provisions applicable to political subdivisions

Introduced by Urban Affairs Hearing Date: January 19, 2016 Committee: Urban Affairs

Placed on Final Reading with ST65 March 10, 2016

LB 704 would make a series of technical changes to the building code statutes by doing the following. Clarifying that local building or construction codes must be adopted and enforced as provided under the Building Construction Act; Clarifying that counties and municipalities must keep a copy of their local building code available for use and examination by the public as long as the code is in effect; Clarifying that only counties and municipalities may adopt a local building code; Defining "component" for purposes of the Building Construction Act; Streamlining the process for local building code adoption, allowing counties and municipalities to either adopt the state building code or a code that conforms generally with the state building code; Clarifying that a prior edition of a component of the state building code does not conform generally with the state building code; and striking language that provides for unconstitutional delegation of legislative authority by municipalities.

LB 707 – Increase the number of judges of the separate juvenile court. Introduced by Senator Colby Coash Hearing Date: March 2, 2016
Committee: Judiciary Committee
Placed on General File March 8, 2016

LB 709 – Provide for an alternative to detention for juveniles. Introduced by Senator Sara Howard of Omaha Hearing Date: January 20, 2016 Committee: Judiciary Committee

LB 709 – Provides for alternate detention of increased supervision for a youth to ensure the youth attends court and avoids future law infractions. Supervision includes electronic monitoring, day/evening reporting centers, house arrest and temporary shelter placement. Placement does not include facilities that allow for physical restraint or ingress and egress for placement.

LB 714 – Provide for and change a provision relating to sufficient cause of nonuse of a water appropriation.

Introduced by Senator John Stinner of Gering

Hearing Date: January 22, 2016 Committee: Natural Resources

LB 714 – states that for sufficient cause for nonuse shall be deemed to exist for up to fifteen consecutive years if such nonuse was a result of one or more of the following(adds) the appropriation is temporarily transferred to a natural resources district or other competent authority for the purpose of depletion offsets, aquifer recharge, stream augmentation, or maintenance of instream flow

LB 716 - Provide and eliminate provisions regarding pedestrians and bicyclists.

Introduced by Senator Rick Kolowski of Omaha

Hearing Date: January 25, 2016

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications.

General File W/AM2134

LB 716 states a pedestrian lawfully entering designed bike or walk path of a highway intersection or adjacent to intersection of two highways controlled by traffic signal has the right-of-way within the crossing with respect to vehicles and bicycles. Bicyclist cannot suddenly leave a curb or safety path into the path of a car that it is so close it is impossible for the driver to stop. Nothing in the subsection relieves a bicyclist or driver from duty of care.

LB 717 - Change provisions relating to the assessment and valuation of real property.

Introduced by Senator Mike Groene of North Platte

Hearing Date: February 4, 2016

Committee: Revenue Groene Priority Bill

LB 717 States that the actual value of real property for purpose of taxation means the value to be determined by the use of professionally accepted mass appraisal methods. It removes language of "market value of real property in the ordinary course of trade". Legislation states, except for assessment occurring on January 1, 2016, the assessed value shall be the same as the assessed value on January 1, 2015, in relation to assessing tax on real property.

LB 720 – Change certain invasions of privacy provisions to include unmanned aircraft or unmanned aircraft systems.

Introduced by Senator Kuehn of Heartwell

Hearing Date: February 25, 2016 Committee: Judiciary Committee

LB 720 states an individual is liable for invasion of privacy for flying an unmanned aircraft below 200ft of privately owned property without permission of the owner of the property in the act of capturing any form of visual image/recording. Individual is responsible for reasonable damage caused by the invasion.

LB 722 – Adopt the Stroke System of Care Act Introduced by Senator Roy Baker of Lincoln Hearing Date: January 22, 2016 Committee: Health and Human Services Placed on Final Reading March 15, 2016

LB 722 creates the Stroke System of Care Act. In an effort to meet the increase of Stokes in the state of Nebraska, this bill creates an effective stroke system of care to be provided to individuals. The bill

requires the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt rules and regulations that include the criteria for designation of a hospital as a comprehensive stroke center, primary stroke center, or acute stroke-ready hospital. The American Heart Association, the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, or another nationally recognized stroke care organization will approve the certification.

LB 723 – Change sales and use tax collection fees Introduced by Senator Paul Schumacher of Columbus Hearing Date: January 22, 2016 Committee: Revenue

LB 723 changes the date of October 1, 2002 to read on and after January 1, 2017 and doubles the 2.5% to 5% of the first three thousand dollars remitted each month and two and one-half percent of the next three thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement for the cost of collecting the tax. The bill also states that taxes collected prior to January 1, 2017 will be deducted and withheld from the amount of taxes collected two and one-half percent of the first three thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement for the cost of collecting the tax.

LB 724 – Change sales and use tax collection fees. Introduced by Senator Paul Schumacher of Columbus Hearing Date: January 22, 2016 Committee: Revenue Committee

LB 724 states that for all sales tax collected by a taxpayer on/after 1/1/2017, he or she will withhold 5% of the first \$6,000 remitted each month for reimbursement of collecting the tax.

LB 746 – Adopt the Nebraska Strengthening Families Act, change provisions for guardian ad litem and services for children, and create the Normalcy Task Force.

Introduced by Senator Kathy Campbell of Lincoln

Hearing Date: January 21, 2016

Committee: Health and Human Services

Senator Campbell of Priority Bill

Placed on Final Reading with ST63 March 9, 2016

AM1903 creates an operative date of July 1, 2016, and includes a federal reference regarding credit reports LB746 implements provisions of the federal Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act regarding the promotion of "normalcy" among children and youth in foster care. Normalcy is intended to mean age and developmentally appropriate activities and experiences essential to the healthy development of children and youth. The bill creates the Nebraska Strengthening Families Act for the following reasons: To ensure foster children can participate in extracurricular and social activities such as field trips, sports, school clubs, religious groups, family vacations and photos, sleepovers, and obtaining a driver's license. To ensure foster parents are able to make decisions about such activities using a reasonable and prudent parent standard. To involve birth parents in such decisions. To require the Department of Health and Human Services to ensure children are made aware of their rights and responsibilities and have access to certain documents before aging out, to ensure foster parents are trained and supported in making determinations as to reasonableness, and report on progress. To require juvenile courts to ensure children's rights are protected and that children are able to engage in such activities, and to make certain findings part of the child's record. To eliminate the use of Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement as a permanency goal for youth under age 16.

LB 765 - Increase original certificate of title fees for vehicles transferred to Nebraska from another

state or country

Introduced by Senator Tommy Garrett of Bellevue

Hearing Date: January 26, 2016

Committee: Transportation & Telecommunications

POSITION: SUPPORT THROUGH THE LANCASTER COUNTY TREASURER

LB 765 would amend Section 60-154 by increasing fees related to each original certificate of title issued by a Nebraska county or the Department of Motor Vehicles for a motor vehicle, all-terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, minibike, or trailer being titled in Nebraska from another state or country by increasing the current \$10 fee to \$25 for these types of vehicles receiving an original certificate of title.

LB 768 – Provide for Choose Life License Plates Introduced by Senator Tommy Garrett of Bellevue Hearing Date: February 9, 2016 Committee: Transportation Speaker Priority Bill Advanced to General File W/AM2058, Chambers AM2526

LB 768 would require the DMV to design license plates to be known as "Choose Life" License Plates.

LB 776 – Change revenue and taxation provisions Introduced by Senator Mike Gloor of Grand Island Hearing Date: January 21, 2016 Committee: Revenue Approved by Governor on March 9, 2016

LB 776 includes food that ordinarily requires additional cooking to finish the product to its desired final condition in the definition of what food means in the bill. The bill also exclaims that there will be subtracted interest received by the owner od obligations of the State of Nebraska or its political subdivisions or authorities which are Build America Bonds to the extent includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes. The federal adjusted gross income or federal taxable income shall be reduced by contributions to an account established under the achieving a better life experience program made for the benefit of a beneficiary. It increases the federal taxable income for any withdrawals by the owner of an account established under the achieving better life experience program for nonqualified expenses or to terminate such account. The bill includes that a refundable income tax credit is considered an overpayment even if the taxpayer has no income tax liability prior to applying the refundable credit. LB 776 adds that if an individual is granted a homestead exemption that individual is not required to submit the certification required under this subdivision in succeeding years.

LB 779: Change provisions relating to the partisan status of certain political subdivision offices Introduced by Senator Paul Schumacher of Columbus Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Hearing: March 2, 2016

LB 779 prevents the county clerk from being elected on the partisan ballot if as otherwise provided in section 32-707. This section states; unless at least one of the two political parties which polled the most votes cast for Governor in the most recent gubernatorial election holds a county convention in an even-numbered year and has attendance of at least two percent of the registered voters affiliated with that party in that county. It also prevents the county clerk from being elected if the offices in the county are nonpartisan pursuant to the most recent gubernatorial election.

LB 780 - Change provisions relating to emergency protective custody

Introduced by Senator Paul Schumacher of Columbus

Hearing Date: February 3, 2016

Committee: Judiciary POSITION: MONITOR

Department of HHS would be required to take charge of a mentally ill individual who are taken into emergency protective custody. Bill would make it a misdemeanor for HHS Behavioral Health Division to refuse custody of a person.

LB 783 - Provide for registration of public power district vehicles as prescribed.

Introduced by Senator Brett Lindstrom of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February 22, 2016

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunication

Advanced to General File W/AM2357

LB 783 creates a public power district license plate to be issued and used by each motor vehicle and trailer operated by a public power district. The application will be accompanied by a fee of three dollars for each motor vehicle and three dollars for each trailer. Any public power district vehicle will display a distinctive license plate provided by the department. The license play will be placed on both the front and back of the motor vehicle and to the rear of the trailer. The renewal for the license plate will be two dollars and will be collected every year after they are issues. If a permanent license plate is lost or destroyed, the owner will submit an affidavit to that effect to the county treasurer. A fee of one dollar will be applied to any lost or stolen license plate. All funds collected by the department will be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Highway Cash Fund.

LB 784 - Change provisions relating to deficit expenditures by county boards

Introduced by Senator Kurt Friesen of

Hearing Date: January 27, 2016

Committee: Government

Placed on General File on February 1, 2016

LB 784 harmonizes language in the County Budget Act and the Nebraska Budget Act. Currently both Acts proportionally limit expenditures from each budgeted fund between July 1 and the adoption of the budget in September.

The Nebraska Budget Act also provides a mechanism to exceed such proportional expenditures upon an express finding of the governing body that the expenditures are necessary to meet statutory duties and responsibilities. LB 784 would add this concept to the County Budget Act.

LB 786 – Change requirements for completion of death certificates and cremation permits.

Introduced by Senator Tyson Larson of O'Neill

Hearing Date: January 20, 2016

Committee: Health and Human Services Approved by Governor on March 9, 2016

LB 786 removes the handwritten option of a funeral director, embalmer, physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner when signing a medical death certificate. Legislation allows for an electronic signature in place of handwritten signature. LB 786 states before any dead body may be cremated, permit of cremation will be signed electronically by the county attorney or designee.

LB 787 – Allow a voter to photograph and reveal a marked ballot Introduced by Senator Adam Morfeld of Lincoln Hearing Date: January 28, 2016

Committee: Government

LB 787 would allow for a voter to photograph his or her ballot.

LB 795 – Establish the Wireless in Nebraska Program under the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act.

Introduced by Senator Burke Harr of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 9, 2016

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications.

LB 795 adds the definition of wireless carrier to mean a telecommunications company providing mobile radio service, radio paging service, or wireless telecommunications service for a fee in Nebraska intrastate commerce. It removes the section that requires the state treasurer to transfer funds from the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund to the General Fund upon certification by the Director of Administrative Services. It further removes the section that states any transfer under this subsection not reversed within thirty days after the initial transfer shall accrue interest in the amount of five percent annually. It replaces those sections with granting the commission the power to establish the Wireless in Nebraska Program and states that the purpose of the Wireless in Nebraska Program is to promote the provision of the universal wireless telecommunications services throughout the state by providing assistance from the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund to eligible wireless communications towers. It also requires a wireless carrier that receives funds to file a report with the commission by June 1 of each year, which includes information on investments for the previous year.

LB 797 – Change provisions relating to the accrual of interest on denied and reduced homestead exemption.

Introduced by Senator Burke Harr of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 18, 2016 Committee: Revenue Committee

LB 797 states 30 days after the county assessor received approval by the county board to remove or reduce the exemption from the tax rolls of the county, the rate from time to time can be adjusted by the Legislature.

LB 806 - Adopt the Riverfront Development District Act Introduced by Senator Heath Mello of Omaha Committee: Revenue Hearing: February 16, 2016 Advanced to General File W/AM2137

LB 806 creates the Riverfront Development District Act that provides a means by which such historic river cities may be effectively funded, managed, promoted, and developed within their corporate limits. A riverfront development district may be created through the adoption of an ordinance that names the river, boundaries of the district, qualifications and terms of the office, statement that the business shall be subject to the general occupations tax or real property will be subject to special assessment, the proposed method of assessment will be imposed within the district, and penalties will be imposed for failure to pay the occupation tax or special assessment. After the creation of a district, the mayor, with the approval of the city council, shall appoint a riverfront development authority to oversee and manage the district.

LB 825 – Provide reporting requirements for tax-exempt property.

Introduced by Senator Al Davis of Hyannis

Hearing Date: February 18, 2016

Committee: Revenue

LB 825 By April 1 of each even-numbered year, the owner of each parcel of property that is exempt from property taxes shall file with the county assessor of the county in which the property is located a form containing the following information: name and address, legal description of property, date of acquisition of the property, description of any improvements on the property, whether the property was leased or not, and the owners estimate of the fair market value of the property on January 1 of the even numbered year. The bill adds that by July 1 of each even-numbered year, the county assessor of each county shall complete and deliver to the Department of Revenue a form on which the county assessor estimates the fair market value of tax-exempt property, classified by the type of owner, within his or her county and that the Department of Revenue shall prescribe the forms to be used for purposes of the value ranges for estimating the fair market value of property. The Department of Revenue will prepare an estimate of the fair market value of tax-exempt property in this state by category of owner. All persons required to file a report with all pay a reasonable fee that is sufficient to defray costs to the county of distributing and reviewing the forms. IF the form is not received by April 1 of the even-numbered year, the county assessor will send the owner of the property a notice, by certified mail, stating that the property for, which the form is required, will be appraised at the owner's expense.

LB 845 - Provide requirements relating to confinement of juveniles and provide a duty for the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare Introduced by Senator Patty Pansing-Brooks of Lincoln Hearing Date: January 20, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

LB 845 includes section 6 stating that the Legislature creates a system of investigation and performance review in order to provide increased accountability and oversight regarding the use of room confinement for juveniles in a juvenile facility. All confinement incidents must be documented and include the race, ethnicity, age, and gender of the juvenile, the reason for confinement, an explanation of why less restrictive means were unsuccessful, the ultimate duration of the placement in room confinement, and any incidents of self harm or suicide committed by the Juvenile while he or she was isolated.

LB 848 – Change provisions relating to courts Introduced by Senator Patty Pansing-Brooks of Lincoln Hearing Date: March 2, 2016 Committee: Judiciary

LB 848 defines fee record, general index, Judge's notes, Judgment index, register of actions, and case type when filing of complaints or petitions and subsequent pleadings and date of such filings, including orders and judgments of the court. The bill states that the county court shall file the following with the district court within ten days after entry of the transfer order: Certification of the proceedings; all original documents of the action; certification of the transcript of the register of actions; and certification of the court costs with the clerk of the district court. The clerks of the district court shall use the court's electronic case management system provided by the state, which shall be the record of receipts and reimbursements. The bills strikes the foreman and secretary from filing in the office of the clerk of the district court in section 35 101. The bill also requires the case file to contain the pleadings, orders, court actions, judgments, post judgment actions, and other documents. The case file can be maintained either

electronically or on paper file. It removes the requirement to hold a separate docket for the purpose to be unopened for inspection by any person except upon order of the court for good cause shown.

LB 884 - Change the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act and the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act.

Introduced by Senator Jim Scheer of Norfolk

Hearing Date: January 22, 2016

Committee: Revenue Smith Priority Bill

Placed on General File with AM2522 March 15, 2016

AM2522 The amendment replaces the underlying bill and provides Omaha with a tax turnback from privately owned associated hotels. It further clarifies that 600 yard limit is measured from any point of the exterior perimeter or that it could be within the program area of there is unbuildable property. It also adds the option for Lincoln to appropriate 10 percent of its funds to qualified low-income housing projects.

LB 884 would increase the recapture zone from 200 to 600 yards for the Omaha arena and from 400 yards to 600 yards for Lincoln. It would require that ten percent of such funds appropriated to a city of the primary class may be invested in areas with a high concentration of poverty to assist with low-income housing needs. Applications for state assistance submitted prior to the operative date of this act, the area that is located within six hundred yards of an eligible sports arena facility, measured from the facility but not from any parking facility or other structure. Applications submitted on or after the operative date of this act, a map identifying the program area, including any unbuildable property within the program area or take into account in adjusting the program area as described.

LB 886 – Adopt the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act and provide income tax credits.

Introduced by Senator Al Davis of Hyannis

Hearing Date: February 3, 2016

Committee: Revenue Davis Priority Bill

Placed on General File March 3, 2016

LB 886 creates the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act. For taxable years on or after January 1, 2017, a volunteer on the list will receive a refundable credit against income tax imposed in an equal amount to two hundred fifty dollars beginning with the second taxable year the volunteer is on the list. A point system of one hundred possible points, per year, is created for an active emergency responder, active rescue squad member or active volunteer firefighter. Various methods to accumulate points are available for an individual. To name a few, responding to ten percent of emergency calls; participation in training courses and participation in drills.

LB 888 - Change provisions relating to tax credits under the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act.

Introduced by Senator Health Mello of Omaha

Hearing Date: January 27, 2016

Committee: Revenue

Advanced to General File.

Amended into Revenue Committee Bill LB774

LB 888 states that a taxpayer who claims a tax credit will not pay additional retaliatory tax as described under section 44-150 for claiming a tax credit. Any tax claim will be considered a payment of tax as in subsection (1) of 77-2734.03

LB 893 – Modify jurisdiction of juvenile courts and change provisions relating to temporary custody and disposition of juveniles.

Introduced by Senator Patty Pansing-Brooks of Lincoln

Hearing Date: January 22, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

This bill would require that a juvenile would have to be at least eleven (11) years old to be prosecuted or adjudicated for a criminal law violation or to be prosecuted as ungovernable, in juvenile or adult court. Instead, the juvenile court in each county, shall have jurisdiction of children who are 10 and younger, who engage in conduct which would otherwise be considered as a law violation under 43-247(3)(a)

LB 896 - Require pay increases for state employees to recognize length of service.

Introduced Senator Matt Hansen of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February 1, 2016 Committee: Business and Labor

Indefinitely Postponed

LB 896 states that state employees would get a raise every five years. Raises would be at 6.25cents/hr(five years); 12.5cents/hr(ten years); 18.75cents/hr (fifteen years); 25 cents/hr (20 years); 31.25 cents/hr(twenty five years); 37.5 cents (thirty years); 43.75 cents/hr (thirty five years); 50 cents/hr (forty years)

LB 905 - Adopt the Commission on Fathers, Men and Boys Establishment Act of 2016.

Introduced by Senator Laura Ebke of Crete

Hearing Date: March 2, 2016

Committee: Health and Human Services

LB 905 establishes the Commission on Fathers, Men and Boys. The commission will be made up of ten members. Five members appointed by the Governor and five ex officio appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislature. Commission will advocate, make recommendations to the Governor and Legislature on issues and concerns raised by fathers, men and boys. The commission will address issues of socioeconomic concerns raised.

LB 906 – Adopt the Law Enforcement Education Act authorizing tuition waivers.

Introduced by Senator Brett Lindstrom of Omaha

Hearing Date: January 25, 2016

Committee: Education

Advanced to Enrollment and Review with ERI86 March 15, 2016

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LB 906 waives 30 percent of resident tuition for law enforcement officers attending a university, college or community college. An officer has to maintain an acceptable performance level with the agency.

LB 910 - Change provisions relating to parole administration

Introduced by Senator Kate Bolz of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February 4, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

Prioritized by Judiciary Committee

#### Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with ER182

LB 910 states starting January 1, 2017, the Office of Parole Administration will be moved to the Board of Parole. The board and director will meet once a month to prepare a plan for legislative review to cover budget, transitions, board policies and procedures with coordination for community based services.

LB 911 - State intent relating to fund transfers for behavioral health systems.

Introduced by Senator Kate Bolz of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February 8, 2016 Committee: Appropriations

LB 911 appropriates two hundred thousand dollars for fiscal year 2016-2017 to program 268, Behavioral Health Administration for creating a plan of system care for adults using behavioral health services.

LB 912 - Change requirements for presentation of identification for purposes of voting.

Introduced by Senator Jim Smith of Papillion

Hearing Date: February 10, 2016

Committee: Government

LB 912 states an individual, prior to voting must present valid photo identification and two of the following: a valid utility bill, bank statement, payment check or other government document. Documents presented must be within sixty-days of the present day with matching address to vote in that precinct.

LB 916 – Provide immunity from criminal or civil liability for removal of an animal form a motor vehicle by forcible entry as prescribed.

Introduced by Senator Sara Howard of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 19, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

LB 916 allows for an individual who rescues an animal from a locked car or the animal is trapped inside the car, that individual is immune from criminal or civil liability for damage to the automobile.

LB 918- Provide for the redistribution of motor vehicle taxes as prescribed.

Introduced by Senator John Murante of Gretna

Hearing Date: January 26, 2016 Committee: Transportation

LB 918 transfers on one percent of the collected motor vehicle tax to the Vehicle Title and Registration System Replacement and Maintenance Cash Fund.

LB 920 - Add members to the Nebraska Police Standards Advisory Council

Introduced by Senator Patty Pansing- Brooks of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February 18, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

LB 920 adds nine members to the council starting January 1, 2017. The seventh member of the council will be either a member of the Jail Standards board or from the public at large. The eighth and ninth members will be full time officers from a state law agency with a rank no higher than sergeant. The eighth and ninth members of the council will be appointed by the Governor.

LB 922 - Change terms of Public Employees Retirement Board members as prescribed

Introduced by Senator Mark Kolterman of Seward

Committee: Retirement

Hearing Date: February 5, 2016

LB 922 requires member to serve five years to ensure an experienced and knowledgeable board. It provides that a member appointed to any of the Nebraska retirement systems will serve five years including the; School Employees Retirement System, Retirement System for Nebraska Counties, and Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System.

LB 925 - Change provisions relating to issuing a treasurer's tax deed and bringing a tax lien foreclosure action as prescribed.

Introduced by Senator Burke Harr of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 17, 2016

Committee: Revenue

Andy will testify in opposition. Has several concerns.

LB 925 states at anytime within 9 months after the expiration of two years after the date of sale of any real estate for taxes or special assessments if such real estate is not legally occupied and deemed vacant or abandoned. Vacant and abandoned real estate is defined by local ordinance or determined by the appropriate local governing body. Conditions of real estate include overgrown or dead vegetation, trash and waste and or visible deterioration.

LB 927 - Change provisions relating to surcharges for 911 services Introduced by Senator Bob Hilkemann of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 1, 2016

Committee: Transportation and telecommunications

LB 927 changes the uniform service charge for 911 services to say: except that the monthly uniform service surcharge shall not exceed one dollar per month. It strikes language that states a surcharge of up to fifty cents on all active telephone numbers every month from users or wireless service shall remit the surcharge.

LB928 - Change provisions relating to discriminatory wage practices based on sex. Introduced by Senator Heath Mello of Omaha Committee: Business and Labor Hearing: February 1, 2015

Indefinitely Postponed

LB 928 addresses wage discrimination between a man and a women in effort to close the gap. The bill also removes current employee size exemption and addresses definitions of enforcement.

LB 929 - Update certain references to federal regulations regarding motor vehicles and motor carriers.

Introduced by Senator Lydia Brasch of Bancroft

Hearing Date: January 25, 2016

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunication.

Approved by Governor March 9, 2016

LB 929 updates effective date from January 1, 2015 to January 1, 2016. Adds language making selfpropelled CMV's and intermodal equipment will not apply to forum trucks and forum truck-tractors registered and operated solely in intrastate commerce.

LB 931 - Provide for financial incentives for certain assisted-living facilities and change distribution of the Behavioral Health Services Fund

Introduced by Senator Kate Bolz of Lincoln

Committee: Appropriations Hearing Date: February 8, 2016

LB 931 appropriates two hundred fifty thousand dollars for fiscal year 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 to the Department of Health and Human Services. The allocation of funds will provide incentives for certain assisted-living facilities for adults with mental illness or a primary diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia.

LB 934 – Change provisions relating to the Office of Public Guardian Introduced by Senator Colby Coash of Lincoln Hearing Date: February 3, 2016 Committee: Judiciary Coash Priority Bill Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with ER178

LB 934 defines multidisciplinary team means a team of professionals hired by the Public Guardian. Public Guardian will be an attorney licensed to practice law in Nebraska. Public Guardian will hire a multidisciplinary team. The team will be made up of professionals in public guardian and trained in the area of law.

LB 935 – Change provisions relating to the Auditor of Public Accounts Introduced by Senator Ken Schilz of Ogallala Committee: Government Hearing Date: February 5, 2015
Prioritized by Government Committee
Placed on General File with AM2386 March 10, 2016

LB 935 states information not received by the auditor by December 31<sup>st</sup> of a calendar year will be considered delinquent. A political subdivision will be notified of the delinquency. If the necessary material is not received within thirty days of the December 31<sup>st</sup>, a five hundred dollars will be withheld from the next state aid payment to that that political subdivision and continue for each additional thirty days of delinquency. Upon delinquency, the auditor can make an audit of the political subdivision at which the cost will be billed to the political subdivision.

LB 937 - Eliminate a prohibition on marriage of persons with venereal disease.

Introduced by Senator Laura Ebke of Crete

Hearing Date: January 27, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

LB 937 strikes the language stating that no person with a venereal disease shall be married in Nebraska.

LB 938 - Adopt the 911 Service System Act and transfer funds from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund

to the 911 Service System Fund

Introduced by Senator Jim Smith of Papillion Hearing Date: February 29, 2016 (rehearing)

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

## Prioritized by the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee Placed on General File W/AM2356

LB 938 creates the 91l Service System Act to establish the Public Service Commission as the statewide implementation and coordinating authority to plan, implement, coordinate, manage, maintain, and provide funding assistance for a statewide next-generation 91l service capability.

LB 943 – Update references with respect to husband and wife Introduced by Senator Matt Hansen of Lincoln Hearing Date: January 27, 2016 Committee: Judiciary

LB 943 changes references of husband and wife to "spouses in a marriage relationship."

LB 944 – Change terminology relating to parentage and marital relationships. Introduced by Senator Matt Hansen of Lincoln Hearing Date: January 27, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

LB 944 addresses last year's United Supreme Court ruling of legalizing same sex marriage and changes some references to "parents"

LB 951 - Adopt the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Act Introduced by Senator Harr Committee: Revenue

Hearing Date: February 10, 2016

LB 951 creates the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Act to provide an owner of an affordable housing project to apply for an affordable housing tax credit. A qualified taxpayer shall be allowed a nonrefundable tax credit if the authority determines that the project for which tax credits are sought is a qualified project.

LB 952 – Require availability of emergency medical services and change membership of the Board of Emergency Medical Services.

Introduced by Senator Dan Watermeier of Syracuse

Hearing Date: February 24, 2016

Committee: Health and Human Services Placed on General File W/AM2358

LB 952 states starting January 1, 2016, a county board is responsible to make sure emergency medical services are available for all county residents. The bill states that the county can contract for medical emergency and public safety services. The Board of Emergency Medical Services in regards to the seven out of hospital care providers, two will be emergency medical responders, two will be medical technicians, two will be paramedics and one will be an advanced medical technician. Members appointed after January 1, 2017, three of them will be volunteer emergency medical care providers.

LB 954 – Change provisions relating to access to records for and investigations by the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare.

Introduced by Senator Bob Krist of Omaha

Hearing Date: January 22, 2015 Committee: Executive Board

#### Prioritized by the Executive Board Approved by Governor on March 7, 2016

LB 954 states the Office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare can submit a written request to the Probation Administrator for access of juvenile records pertaining to a particular case. Those records will be turned over with approval via a court order. All juvenile cases as defined in sections 43-246 and 43-247, of the juvenile court will provide confidential information to the Foster Care Review Office. If upon investigation, the Inspector General finds misconduct by the juvenile services division, the probation administrator will immediately notified.

LB 968 – Change provisions relating to an agriculture promotion and development program Introduced by Senator Johnson Hearing: February 16, 2016 Committee: Agriculture Prioritized by the Agriculture Committee

LB 968 allows the Department of Agriculture to cooperate and coordinate with producer organizations, state and local governments, and public and private economic development entities to identify opportunities for private sector investment in new livestock, dairy, and agricultural commodities processing facilities or expansion or repurposing of existing processing facilities within the state, to actively recruit such processing investment, and to advise and assist local communities where such investment may be sought or considered.

LB 984 - Change provisions relating to mandatory minimum sentencing and sentencing of habitual criminals

Introduced by Senator Schumacher

Committee: Judiciary

Hearing Date: February 10, 2016

LB 984 a three-judge panel would decide mandatory minimum sentences. A sentencing judge can request the three judge panel to make a finding that a habitual criminal or mandatory minimum sentence would not apply.

LB 986 - Change duties of the Public Employees Retirement Board relating to an annual valuation report and experience study

Introduced by the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee

Committee: Nebraska Retirement

Hearing: February 5, 2016

Under LB 986, the director will provide draft copies of each annual valuation report to the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee and Governor, as required. Copies are deemed confidential. Starting in 2016, and every four years thereafter will request an experience study from the Public Employee retirement board.

LB 989 - Change provisions relating to motor vehicles Introduced by Senator John Murante of Gretna Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications Hearing Date: February 9, 2016 (9:00am)

LB 989 provides that the Director of Motor Vehicles shall designate an implementation date, which is on or before January 1, 2020. If the title is electronic, then the following changes may be made; changing the

name of an owner, removing the name of an owner, or adding as an owner of the immediate family member of an owner. The department may adopt and promulgate further rules and regulations governing the eligibility of dealers to participate in the electronic dealer services system, setting forth practices, procedures, and requirements necessary to implement such system, and setting forth requirements and practices for dealers participating in such system.

LB 995 – Repeal provisions relating to the special valuation of agricultural land and provide for the agricultural value of agricultural land.

Introduced by Senator Al Davis of Hyannis

Committee: Revenue Hearing: February 17, 2016

LB 995 local governments would tax cropland based on agricultural value instead of seventy-five percent of the actual value. Bill defines agricultural value as the actual value of land for agricultural and horticultural purposed without regard to actual value the land would have for other uses. This is an attempt to lower property tax for famers and ranchers.

LB 998 - Provide for emergency community crisis centers and change provisions relations to emergency protective custody

Introduced by Senator Paul Schumacher of Columbus

Hearing Date: February 24, 2016

Committee: Health and Human Services

LB 998 includes the definition of emergency community crisis center as a medical assistance program. The demand for inpatient behavioral health beds exceeds the supply of such beds in Nebraska. Hospital emergency departments are not equipped to address the behavioral health needs and delays in receiving behavioral health crisis stabilization services significantly increase the risk of emotional deterioration. Further, appropriate, timely resources should be available to persons in need of behavioral health. The bill calls for an establishment of five emergency community crisis centers across the state.

LB 1000 – Require certain law enforcement agencies to adopt policies on the use of the body-worn cameras, provide that recordings from such cameras are not public records, and prohibit certain conduct involving such recordings.

Introduced by Senator Heath Mello of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 18, 2016

Committee: Judiciary Speaker Priority Bill

LB 1000 states that police departments with body cameras must adopt policies regarding training and equipping cameras, as how to be worn in a prominent place on the uniform. An officer would have to notify an individual they approach that the camera is recording.

LB 1001 – Change provisions relating to a compensation schedule for injuries resulting in disability Introduced by Senator Ebke Hearing Date: February 8, 2016

Committee: Business and Labor INDEFINITELY POSTPONED

LB 1001 adds that loss or loss of means permanent loss of physical function of an arm, a leg, an ear, an eye or nose.

LB 1010 - Change provisions relating to juvenile court petitions

Introduced by Senator Matt Williams of Gothenburg

Hearing Date: February 17, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

Placed on General File on March 3, 2016

LB 1010 calls for a written petition for juvenile court will be signed by the county attorney setting forth the facts. The petition would replace the verification of affidavit.

LB 1023 - Require development of treatment protocols for and a needs assessment of committed offenders and correctional facilities

offenders and correctional facilities

Introduced by Senator Laura Ebke of Crete

Hearing Date: February 4, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

Under LB 1023, corrections and the division of behavioral health of DHHS would develop protocols for coordination of mental health and substance abuse treatment for a committed offender during incarceration until discharge. Protocols will cover pre-release planning; mental health and substance abuse treatment needs, supervisor plan and necessary community support services. Community based services can be used during incarceration. Corrections will provide to the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature, a needs assessment pertaining to programming in facilities before January 1<sup>st</sup> of odd numbered years.

LB 1024 – Change a provision of the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act relating to an interest of a government contract

Introduced by Senator Tyson Larson of O'Neill

Hearing Date: February 25, 2016

Committee: Government

LB 1024 states that no member of a public official or employer's family may enter into a business contract valued at one hundred thousand dollars in a given year. As of January 1, 2017, and every year thereafter the contract value will be adjusted for inflation.

LB 1034 - Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Children's Commission

Introduced by Senator Kathy Campbell of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February 19, 2016

Committee: Health and Human Services Placed on General File W/AM2230

LB 1034 adds juvenile justice to the strategic plan of reform of the Nebraska Child Welfare Commission to review and evaluate the juvenile justice system.

LB1036: Change provisions of the Credit Services Organization Act, the Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act, and the Nebraska Installment Loan Act.

Introduced by Senator Campbell Hearing Date: February 09, 2016

Committee: Banking, Commerce, and Insurance

LB 1036 states notwithstanding any other provisions of law, charge any brokerage fees or any other fees or charges whatsoever in connection with a loan governed b the Nebraska Installment Loan Act. It defines the annual percentage rate, default, and delayed deposit. The Department of Banking and Finance

will document each delayed deposit loan transaction by a written agreement signed by both the license and the borrower.

LB1037 - Change property tax provisions relating to agricultural land and horticultural land Introduced by Senator Lydia Brasch of Bancroft Committee: Revenue Hearing: February 17, 2016

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Placed on General File

LB1037 strikes land associated with buildings. It excludes wasteland lying in or adjacent to and in common ownership or management with other agricultural land and horticulture land. It does allow farm sites and farm home sites lying in or adjacent to and in common ownership or management with other agricultural land and horticultural land.

LB 1044 - Terminate the Commission of Industrial Relations.

Introduced by Senator Laura Ebke of Crete

Hearing Date: February 22, 2016 Committee: Business and Labor INDEFINITELY POSTOPNED

LB 1044 would abolish the CIR that was created to resolve labor disputes involving public employees. The bill would continue to protect the right of the public employee in Nebraska to strike in the event of an unresolved dispute.

LB 1058 - Change provisions relating to enforcement of certain tobacco restriction provisions.

Introduced by Senator Sue Crawford of Bellevue

Hearing Date: February 25, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

LB 1058 states with compliance checks, an individual between the ages of fourteen and eighteen years of age may be authorized to assist officers or private contractors with compliance checks. The individual under the age of eighteen and older than 14 years has to be an employee, intern or volunteer with a local or state law agency.

LB 1059 - Require certain disclosures under the Community Developmental Law and the Local

Option Municipal Economic Development Act Introduced by Senator Sue Crawford of Bellevue

Hearing Date: February 9, 2016 (9:00 am)

Committee: Urban Affairs

Placed on Final Reading March 9, 2015 Prioritized by Urban Affairs Committee

AM2067 incorporates the provisions of LB 1059 as well as the provisions of two other bills heard by the committee: LB 808 and LB 860.

LB 1059 states that prior to a redevelopment contract, the developer has to indicate if he or she has or intends to file for tax incentives under the Nebraska Advantage act; seeking a refund from the city's local option sales tax; estimate of total amount he or she is expecting from tax incentives; and if the project has been approved under the Nebraska Advantage act.

LB 1094 - Change provisions relating to evidence, sentencing, certain criminal penalties, criminal

mischief, assault, theft, forgery, and probation. Introduced by Judiciary Committee and others

Hearing Date: February 4, 2016

Committee: Judiciary POSITION: MONITOR Seiler Priority Bill

Placed on General File with AM2337

LB 1094 addresses matters extending from LB 605. The bill addresses custodial sanctions; administrative sanctions; defined duties of a probationer officer when determining a possible violation of probation and court proceedings. LB 1094 repeals section (5) of LB 605 relating to duties of a probationer officer, setting forth new language.

LB 1097 - Change provisions relating to sexual assault forensic testing

Introduced by Senator Adam Morfeld of Lincoln

Hearing Date: February 18, 2016

Committee: Judiciary

LB1097 would create a fund to collect federal money and for an administrator for that fund to pay expenses for medical exams for rape victims. The fund would cover costs for physical trauma exams, patient interviews, collection and evaluation of evidence, emergency room and laboratory fees. Victims would also get emotional and mental health care. Medical personnel would also be trained in practices for collecting evidence for prosecutions.

LB 1102 - Authorize legislative performance audits of tax-increment financing projects.

Introduced by Senator Al Davis of Hyannis

Hearing Date: February 5, 2016 Committee: Executive Board

LB 1102 includes any authority as defined in section 18-2103 that uses tax-increment financing as authorized in section. 18-2147

LB1103 - Change provisions relating to Medicaid reimbursements, provide for a lien, and change estate procedures.

Introduced by Senator Paul Schumacher of Columbus

Committee: Judiciary

Hearing Date: February 3, 2016

Schumacher Priority Bill

Placed on General File with AM2394 March 9, 2016

LB 1103 requires a notice shall be provided to the department in a manner and at an address designated by the department, which manner may include email. Any notice that fails to meet this requirement is void and constitutes neither notice to the department nor a waiver application for purposes of any statue or regulation that requires that a notice or waiver application be provided to the department.

LB 1107 – Create the Nebraska Election System Initiative Introduced by Senator Tommy Garrett of Bellevue

Hearing Date: February 24, 2016

Committee: Government

LB 1107 states the current vote tabulation and ballot-marking equipment in Nebraska will soon be outdate. The bill would establish the Nebraska Election System. The goal is to examine the voting process, in Nebraska. Review methods of polling sites, early voting, equipment; disabled, minority and young voters; campaigns; and cost of replacing current system.

LR 389CA – Constitutional amendment to remove provisions regarding marriage from the Constitution of Nebraska.
Introduced by Senator Burke Harr of Omaha
Hearing Date: January 27, 2016
Committee: Judiciary

U.S. Supreme Court, in *Obergefell v. Hodges*, ruled that marriage is a fundamental right for same-sex couples by both the Due Process Clause and the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. LR389CA places on the ballot the removal of a provision of the Nebraska State Constitution, which by virtue of preemption by the U.S. Constitution is moot and not enforceable.

This concludes our report for this week.

#### Kissel/ES Associates Bills of Interest Report Client: LC



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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB30	МсСоу		Prohibit disclosure of any applicant or permitholder information regarding firearms registration, possession, sale, or use as prescribed	Judiciary	3/19/2015	General File w/AM29		X	2	
LB37	Krist		Adopt the Prescription Drug Safety Act and change and transfer pharmacy, prescription, and drug provisions	Health and Human Services	1/21/2015	General File w/AM140; AM140 Adopted; Select File w/ER41; Krist AM470 Filed; AM470 Adopted; Final Reading w/ST13; Passed on Final Reading 43-0-6;		X		
LB43	Coash		Provide for standby guardians and recovery of assets under the Nebraska Probate Code		1/21/2015	General File w/AM72; AM72 Adopted; Select File 2/5; Final Reading 2/17; Passed on Final Reading 48-0-1; Approved		×		
LB61	Bolz		Change funding for county offices relating to administration of public assistance programs	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	1/29/2015		LB61 would seek to repeal a provision in statute that currently requires counties to pay for rental costs or provide space to the Department of Health and Human Services for services that were provided by counties prior to those responsibilities being transferred to the	x		[LC Priority] Support

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Schumacher		Change provisions	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	1/21/2015	Passed on Final Reading w/E-clause		x		
Smith		Provide for issuance of printed motor vehicle certificate of title for nonresidents as prescribed	June 1990 MAIN		Select File 2/9; Final Reading 2/20; Passed on Final Reading 46-0-		X		
Bolz				3/16/2015		Include in the appropriation to Agency No. 25 and Program No 30, for FY 2015-16, \$7 million Cash Funds and for FY 2016-17, \$7 million Cash Funds use for tobacco use prevention control from the Nebraska Health Care Cash			Support
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LB106	Watermeier	Watermeier	Adopt the Livestock Operation Siting and Expansion Act and change powers of counties relating to zoning	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/12/2015	Watermeier AM698; Watermeier AM643 Filed; General File w/AM521; Groene AM1018 Filed; Watermeier AM997 Filed; Davis AM1034 Filed; Watermeier AM1029 Filed; AM1018 Withdrawn; AM997 Withdrawn; AM1034 Withdrawn; Watermeier AM1099 Filed; AM1099 Adopted; AM643 Withdrawn; Final Reading 4/15	LB 106 creates the Livestock Operating Siting and Expansion Act and to be implemented by the creation of the Livestock Operation Siting Review Board	x		
LB113	Larson	Larson	Provide a co-payment for correctional inmates' health care services	Judiciary	2/18/2015	General File w/AM508	An inmate who request medical treatment will make a copayment of not less than \$10.00 when receiving non-emergency service. The visit shall be deducted from the inmate account as part of copayment. If the account has insufficient funds at the time of the non-emergency treatment, fifty percent of any future deposit shall be withheld until copayment amount owed is paid in full	×		

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		licen: unins	ide for seizure of se plates of certain sured motor :les or trailers as				LB120 would authorize law enforcement to seize license plates from a vehicle if at the time the vehicle is pulled over and the driver is unable to produce proof of insurance. The citation issued would serve as a temporary plate for 10 days. If the vehicle was not insured at the time of the stop, in addition to other penalties and fees, the owner of the vehicle would pay \$50 to get the vehicle plates back. The result is that the vehicle remains conspicuous and more likely to be reticketed if it			
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LB122	Schumacher		Change provisions relating to operation of utility-type vehicles	Transportation & Telecommunicati		General File 1/29; Select File 2/9; Bloomfield AM407 Filed; AM407 Adopted; Final Reading 2/23; Passed on Final Reading 46-0- 3; Approved		x		
LB126	Nordquist		Change a combined contribution retirement benefit rate as prescribed	Nebraska Retirement Systems	1/20/2015	General File w/AM12; AM12 Adopted; Select File w/ER1; Final Reading; Passed on Final Reading 49-0; Approved		x		
			Change provisions relating to annexation and prohibit sanitary and improvement districts from spending				This bill provides financial guidance to Sanitary and Improvement Districts (SIDs) once the intent of their annexation by an adjacent qualifying city is made. This bill changes the restrictions on SIDs to enter into or extend contracts once they have been notified that a city is proposing the annex of the SID. After such, notification, the SID will need to seek the approval of the City before			
LB131	Craighead			Urban Affairs	1/27/2015	General File w/AM405	entering into any contracts.	X		

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LB132	Ebke	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	Change joint public agency bonding powers and procedures	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	1/29/2015	General File w/AM582; AM582 Adopted; Select File w/ER75; AM1327 Filed; AM1327 Adopted; Final Reading 4/29	links Joint Public Agency bond issuance procedures to taxing powers. It requires Joint Public Agencies follow the bond issuance procedures a participating public agency would be required to follow to bond the particular revenue stream			Oppose/AM1327
LB135	Johnson		Change provisions relating to termination of township boards	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	1/21/2015			x		
LB139	Johnson	Banking Commerce & Insurance	Change and eliminate provisions relating to the Real Property Appraiser Act	Banking Commerce & Insurance	1/27/2015	General File w/AM119; AM119 Adopted; Schumacher AM893 Filed; AM893 Adopted; Select File w/ER51; Final Reading 3/31; Passed on Final Reading 45-0-4; Approved		X		
LB142	Schilz		Create the Aquatic Invasive Species Program and provide funding	Natural Resources		General File w/AM45; AM45 Adopted; Select File w/ER20; Schilz AM255 Filed; AM255 Adopted; Final Reading w/ST8; Passed on Final Reading w/E-Clause 46-1-2; Approved	To create the Nebraska Aquatic Invasive Species Program to be used by Game and Parks to prevent and mitigate damage caused by aquatic invasive species such as the zebra mussel, silver carp, and other such species	x		

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LB146	Crawford		Provide for disposition of unclaimed cremated remains in a veteran cemetery	Health and Human Services	1/29/2015	3/10; Passed on Final Reading 44-0-5;	LB 146 establishes a voluntary process for funeral homes to work with veteran service organizations to locate, identify and inter unclaimed cremated remains of veterans and their dependents for the purposes of burial in a veteran cemetery	x		
LB148	Crawford		Provide for medical assistance program coverage for certain youth formerly in foster care	Health and Human Services			Under Section 2004 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), foster youth who age out of the foster care system in Nebraska without reunification with their families or adoption are eligible for Medicaid coverage until age 26. This mirrors the provision in the PPACA allowing young adults to stay on their parents' insurance plan until age 26	x		
LB158	McCollister		Deny compensation under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act in situations of false representation	Business and Labor	3/2/2015		No compensation shall be allowed if, at the time of or in the course of entering into employment or at the time of receiving notice of the removal of conditions from a conditional offer of employment	X		
LB172	Chambers		Eliminate certain mandatory minimum	Judiciary	2/11/2015		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	x		Support/AM47

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LB173	Chambers	Seiler	Change habitual criminal provisions	Judiciary	2/11/2015	General File w/AM472; AM472 Adopted; Select File w/ER82;	-	x		
LB186	Bolz		Adopt the Property Tax Circuit Breaker Act	Revenue	1/29/2015		This bill allows for a resident or partial-year resident of Nebraska who owns or rents his primary residence to apply for a refundable income tax credit. The applicant must have resided at the property he or she is requesting for consideration for at least six months	x		
LB188	Watermeier		Change provisions relating to innocent third parties injured during a vehicular pursuit	Judiciary	1/23/2015	General File w/AM374	The bill states that a passenger in a fleeing vehicle shall not be considered to be an innocent third party if the passenger (a) enters with knowledge the driver is under the influence (b) fails to take steps to persuade the driver of the fleeing vehicle to stop the vehicle (c) promotes or provokes the driver to flee (d) are themselves subject to arrest or (e) is engaged in illegal activity that would itself give rise to arrest	X		Support
			Provide for partisan ballots for unaffiliated voters at primary	Government, Military &Veterans	1,25,2515	Selicial file WyAINS/	give need to divisit			зиррогі
LB202	Davis		elections	Affairs	2/26/2015			X		

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LB209	Hilkemann		Adopt the Political Subdivisions Mandatory Mediation Act	Judiciary		Indefinitely Postponed		X		
LB210	Ebke		Change provisions relating to housing agencies and taxation of mixed-use developments	Revenue	2/12/2015		Relating to low income housing	x		
LB212	Chambers		Prohibit use of restraints in juvenile courts as prescribed	Judiciary	2/25/2015		Restraints shall not be used on a juvenile during a juvenile court proceeding and removed prior to the juvenile's appearance before the juvenile court. Unless there is cause to show the need of restraints in the court proceeding	X		
LB213	Schumacher		Provide for withholding of insurance proceeds for demolition purposes	Banking Commerce & Insurance		Indefinitely Postponed		x		
LB214	Schumacher		Provide for electronic signatures on initiative and referendum petitions	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/18/2015			x		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB224	Harr		Provide and change restrictions relating to electioneering	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/4/2015		LB 224 would require the placement of flags on the day of any election to indicate the area within 200 feet of a polling place unless that area is across a public thoroughfare or private property. It would also require the designation of an approximately ten feet by five feet yard- sign zone within the 200 foot area which would allow for any person to display a campaign sign in the zone beginning at 7 a.m. and ending at 9 p.m. on the day of the election			
LB230	Mello		Change provisions relating to partition actions	Revenue		General File w/AM752		x		
LB236	Coash		Change and eliminate provisions relating to collection of judgments and public retirement plans	Nebraska Retirement Systems	1/27/2015			×		
LB237	Coash		Appropriate funds for correctional facilities	Appropriations				x		
LB241	Stinner		Change provisions relating to conveyances of cemetery lots	General Affairs		General File 1/29; Select File 2/9; Final Reading 2/19; Passed on Final Reading 47-0- 2; Approved		X		

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.B244	Pansing Brooks		Change provisions relating to motions for new trial based upon discovery of new evidence	Judiciary	1/30/2015			x		
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LB245	Pansing Brooks		Change provisions relating to DNA testing of biological material	Judiciary	1/30/2015	General File w/AM197; AM197 Adopted; Select File w/ER46; Harr FA29 Filed; Harr AM827 Filed; FA29 withdrawn; Harr AM843 Filed; AM843 Adopted; Final Reading w/ST15; Krist FA37 Filed; Pansing Brooks AM1045 Filed; Returned to Select File; AM1070 Adopted; Final Reading Second 4/7; Passed on Final Reading 42-4-3; Approved		x		
LB250	Larson		Eliminate time restrictions on keno	General Affairs	1/26/2015			x		
LB253	Morfeld	Craighead	Change acknowledgment requirements relating	Judiciary	2/6/2015	General File w/AM278; AM278 Adopted; Select File 4/28; Final Reading		X		
LB256	Bloomfield		Change the sales tax rate and the distribution of sales tax revenue	Revenue	2/20/2015		LB 256 would raise the state sales and use tax from the current five and one-half percent to six percent as of October 1, 2015.	X		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB259	Gloor	Revenue	Adopt the Personal Property Tax Relief Act	Revenue	1/29/2015	General File w/AM824; Gloor AM1252 Filed; AM824 Adopted; AM1252 Adopted; Gloor FA58 Filed; FA58 Adopted; Select File w/ER118;	To exempt the first \$25,000 worth of personal property value for each personal property tax return filed with a county assessor	X		
LB260	Gloor		Authorize the Property Tax Administrator to correct certain errors	Revenue	1/23/2015	clause 46-0-3;	To expand the time frame to three years from date of certified valuation for errors regarding valuation to be corrected by the Property Tax Administrator or to recertify said valuation within three years of distribution of the tax to a county	X		
LB265	Campbell	Judiciary	Change provisions relating to juveniles and child welfare	Judiciary	2/27/2015	General File w/AM878; AM878 Adopted; Krist AM1014 Filed; AM1014 Adopted; Select File w/ER61;	LB 265 states a guardian ad- litem(GAL) will make a reasonable effort to become familiar with the needs of a juvenile by consultation with juvenile in his or her respective placement within 2 weeks of appointment and every 3 (was 6) months thereafter	×		
LB266	Crawford		Change provisions relating to jurisdiction for municipalities to enforce ordinances	Urban Affairs			Municipalities currently have the authority to regulate nuisances within their extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction. LB 266 amends various nuisance statutes to clarify this existing authority	x		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB277	Harr		Change tax deed lien priority	Revenue		Select File w/ ER103; Final Reading 5/7;	to clarify that SID special assessments also survive the tax deed method so that SID special assessments are treated the same no matter which method a tax certificate holder uses to exercise his or rights to the property purchased at a tax sale	X		
			Change provisions relating to closed sessions for public	Government, Military &Veterans		Indefinitely				
LB282	Baker		bodies	Affairs	2/11/2015	Postponed		X		
LB288	Ebke		Prohibit public employers from making certain deductions from wages	Business and Labor	3/9/2015		Any collective-bargaining agreement involving a public employer entered into, renewed, or extended on or after the effective date of this act shall not contain provisions requiring or allowing the deduction of dues	×		
LB290	Coash		Eliminate certain notification requirements under the Sex Offender Registration Act and eliminate the offense of unlawful use of the Internet by a prohibited sex offender	ludiciany	2/12/2015	General File 2/20		X		

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LB293	Schnoor		Change valuation of agricultural land horticultural land	Revenue	2/19/2015		LB 293 would reduce the value of agricultural and horticultural land for taxation purposes. The rate would be reduced down to 65%, currently the range is between 69% to 75%.	x		
LB295	Scheer		Require municipalities to have county approval before enforcing ordinances in the extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction	Urban Affairs	2/3/2015	General File w/AM323; Crawford AM556 Filed;	requires that cities of all classes and villages receive approval from county boards, with jurisdiction over an extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction, before they are able to enforce ordinances, bylaws, rule, regulations, and resolutions within said extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction unless otherwise provided by law	x		
LB308	Kolowski		Provide for preregistration to vote	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/27/2015	Indefinitely Postponed		x		
LB309	Davis		Appropriate additional funds to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund	Appropriations	2/27/2015		In addition to other appropriations for FY2016-17 to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund, the State Treasurer shall transfer \$25,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund	x		
LB319	Smith		Change provisions relating to elections conducted by mail	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/5/2015		LB 319 states all registered voters of the political subdivision or a district or ward of the political subdivision ore eligible to vote on all candidates and issues submitted to voters	x		

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LB325	Davis	Speaker Hadley	Change levy provisions for rural and suburban fire protection districts	Revenue	2/26/2015	General File 3/10	Makes changes to the provisions dealing with rural and suburban fire protection districts	x		
LB331	Nordquist		Adopt the Bioscience Impact Opportunity Act	Revenue	2/11/2015			x		
LB332	Kuehn		Appropriate funds for the statewide prescription drug disposal project	Appropriations	3/16/2015			x		Support/AM829
LB333	Gloor		Adopt the Health Care Services Transformation Act	Health and Human Services	3/11/2015			x		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
LB337	Harr		Rename and change the Low-Income Home Energy Conservation Act	Natural Resources	2/5/2015		Several changes are proposed to change the use of the Act to include energy demand reduction projects. Those eligible for funding would include any natural person, political subdivisions, corporations or other businesses that receive energy service from an eligible entity at a building that receives no greater than a one thousand kilowatt demand. Funding for the program is increased from \$250,000 to \$500,000			
LB340	Brasch		Provide signage requirements and duties for the Nebraska State Patrol under the Concealed Handgun Permit Act	Judiciary	3/20/2015		The Nebraska State Patrol will design a standardized sign for use by any person, entity, or employer in control of property prohibiting a permit holder from carrying a concealed handgun in or on the place or premises	X		

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LB341	Howard		Provide requirements relating to health benefit plan coverage for insureds in jail custody	Banking Commerce & Insurance	3/9/2015		states that an insurer may not cancel coverage or deny reimbursement for services covered by the plan for an individual in jail. LB 341 allows for reimbursement of a political subdivision by the insurer for services covered of an individual in custody. Coverage can be denied if the injuries occurred as a result of violation of law			
LB344	Kolowski		Provide natural resources districts with the power to issue general obligation bonds	Natural Resources	3/6/2015		LB 344 gives Natural Resource Districts (NRDs) the power and authority to issue general obligation bonds for the purpose of financing all or part of the cost of non- revenue-producing water projects authorized by law	x		
LB345	Kolowski		Adopt the Property Tax Relief Act	Revenue	2/12/2015		The bill creates the Property Tax Relief Act to provide property tax relief for property taxes levied against homesteads. Homestead is to mean residence or mobile home and the land surrounding it	X		
LB347	Krist	Speaker Hadley	Expand the jurisdiction of the Inspector General to the juvenile justice system	Judiciary	2/26/2015	General File w/AM598; AM598 Adopted; Select File w/ER63; Final Reading 4/14; Krist AM1490 Filed; Krist AM1547 Filed;		×		

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LB350	Brasch	Brasch	Change valuation of agricultural land and horticultural land	Revenue	2/19/2015		This bill decreases valuations by 10% from 75% to 65%	x		
LB356	Harr	Revenue	Change provisions relating to the assessment of certain rent-restricted housing projects	Revenue			provide safe, decent and affordable rent-restricted housing in Nebraska. LB 356 prescribes standards and methods for the determination of value of real property at uniform and proportionate values	×		
LB357	Smith	Smith	Change income tax rates and transfer funds from the Cash Reserve Fund	Revenue	2/18/2015			x		
LB359	Johnson		Change a fee collected from dog licensees	Agriculture	1	General File w/AM1147	LB 359 increases a state fee collected by local subdivisions assessed upon licensure of cats and dogs	×		
LB376	Hansen		Provide that public charitable corporations are subject to the Deferred Building Renewal Act	Executive Board	2/17/2015		The purpose of LB 376 is to allow for Public Charitable Corporations to request funding under the Deferred Building Renewal Act	X		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB383	Hansen		Permit registered voters moving within Nebraska without reregistering to vote provisionally	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/27/2015			X		
LB384	Lindstrom		Provide for reclassification of agricultural land and horticultural land	Revenue	2/19/2015		Land owner with 160 acres of crop land may have 30 acres to 160 acres valued as pasture if planted to perennial cover	x		
LB387	Schnoor		Transfer funds from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund	Appropriations	2/27/2015		The State Treasurer shall transfer sixty million dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on or before December 15, 2015	x		
LB391	Crawford		Change sales tax collection fees for motor vehicles	Revenue	2/27/2015		LB 391 adds an additional tax in 77-2703(1)(I)(iii) to read: plus an additional one-half of one percent of all amounts in excess of three thousand dollars	X		Support
LB398	Harr		Exempt all tangible personal property from property tax	Revenue	3/5/2015		This bill sets forth that beginning January 1, 2017, all tangible personal property shall be exempt from property tax. Property owned and used for agricultural and horticultural societies, educational, religious, etc			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB406	Morfeld		Change provisions relating to actions for the recovery of vacant, platted, and subdivided real property as prescribed	Judiciary	2/19/2015		An action would not be taken against an individual for the recovery of vacant, platted, and subdivided real property, if that person has been in actual possession for twenty years	x		
LB414	Harr	Harr	Provide a property tax exemption for fraternal benefit societies	Revenue	3/5/2015	MO84 Fails; Harr MO93 Invoke Cloture	Every society organized or licensed is a charitable and benevolent institution, with all funds and property being exempt from all and every state, county, district, municipal and school tax	x		
LB415	Pansing Bro	o Speaker Hadley	Change provisions relating to the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act	Judiciary	2/19/2015	General File w/AM200; AM200 Adopted; Select File w/ER65; Final Reading 4/15; Passed on Final Reading w/E-clause 45-2-2; Approved		x		
LB416	Pansing Bro	oks	Change provisions relating to transfers of property upon death	Judiciary	2/6/2015			x		
LB420	Crawford		Require acknowledgments from purchasers of real estate in a sanitary and improvement district	Urban Affairs	2/10/2015	General File 2/18	LB 420 would require a salesperson or real estate broker or owner to have acknowledgement from purchaser he or she understands property lies within an SID	×		

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LB425	Riepe		Provide for earned time and discontinue the use of good time	Judiciary	2/18/2015			×		
LB427	Groene		Provide for payment of probation office costs by the state	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	1/29/2015		This bill allows for the state to pay the cost of probation offices and those facilities performing in their official capacity. Actual and necessary expenses shall be paid	x		Support
LB428	Garrett		Provide an exemption from motor vehicle taxation for certain veterans	Revenue	2/27/2015	General File w/AM733		X		Support
LB432	Baker		Change provisions relating to access to and copying of public records	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs		Baker MO7 Withdraw Bill Filed; Bill Withdrawn	Makes changes including allowing the custodian of the records to provide the requested materials in an electronic format	x		
LB442	Bolz		Appropriate additional funds to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund	Appropriations	2/27/2015		Appropriation for FY 2015-16 for 20,000,000 to the property Tax Credit Cash Fund. Second appropriation of same amount for FY 2016-17.	x		
LB460	Nordquist		Provide for licensure of charter bus and limousine services and pedal-pub vehicles for the consumption of alcohol	General Affairs	2/2/2015	General File w/AM396	This bill would create a licensure process for "party buses" as well as pedal vehicles where you can consume alcohol	×		

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LB472	Campbell	Health and Huma	Adopt the Medicaid Redesign Act	Health and Human Services	2/25/2015	Filed; Chambers MO87 Bracket until 6/5 Filed; MO85	This year's Medicaid expansion effort also includes a redesign of Medicaid.	x		Support
LB476	Davis		Provide duties for county assessors and the Property Tax Administrator relating to tax-exempt real property	Revenue	3/5/2015		On or before December 1 each year, the county assessor will compile a list of parcel of real property in the county exempt from the property tax, and determine the estimated market value	x		
LB479	Bloomfield		Change provisions relating to memorials to veterans	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/20/2015	General File w/AM485; AM485 Adopted; Select File	Removes: all counties, townships, cities, and villages of Nebraska that may erect or aid in the erection of statues, monuments, or other memorials commemorating the services of the members of the Armed Forces of the Civil, Spanish – American, or World Wars or the Korean or Vietnam conflict to be located upon the public lands or within the public buildings within such county, township, city or village	×		

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB482	Krist	Judiciary	Change provisions relating to juveniles	Judiciary	2/25/2015	General File w/AM691; AM691 Adopted; Select File w/ER64; Final Reading 4/14; Passed on Final Reading 44-2-3; Approved	-	X		
LB483	Pansing Brooks		Change provisions relating to indeterminate sentencing	Judiciary	2/11/2015	General File 4/16		x		
LB491	Morfeld		Provide for an election day voter registration pilot project	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/27/2015			x		
LB492	Morfeld		Change provisions relating to fees charged by the register of deeds		2/12/2015			x		
LB499	Krist		Provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services relating to behavioral and mental health services	Health and Human Services	3/4/2015		This bill is a shell bill that will be utilized by Krist if needed to address the recommendations of either the LR434 Investigative Committee or the CSG Report. He suggested that LB500 is also part of this equation.	X		
LB500	Howard	Speaker Hadley	Require application for medicaid state plan amendment for multisystemic therapy and functional family therapy	Health and Human Services		w/AM650; AM650 Adopted; Select File3/26; Schilz AM1041 Filed; AM1041 Adopted;	On or before July 1, 2015, the department shall submit an application to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services of the United States Department of Health and Human Services	x		[DC Priority]

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LB502	Krist		State intent to establish a family court pilot project	Judiciary	2/26/2015		Legislature declares family courts programs to be working and that the Supreme Court shall establish a pilot project of family court in Douglas County	×		
LB514	Craighead		Change provisions relating to registering to vote and voting early at the same time	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/5/2015	General File 2/23	Legislative Bill 514 amends Nebraska Revised Statute 32- 942 by adding an option for voters who wish to register to vote and vote early on the same day	x		
LB518	Riepe		Provide for changes to the medical assistance program	Health and Human Services	3/18/2015		LB 518 establishes the Nebraska Health Savings Account Plan to provide state funds for eligible recipients	×		
LB539	Watermeier	Speaker Hadley	Change provisions relating to the office of Legislative Audit and the Auditor of Public Accounts	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/6/2015	General File w/AM487; Crawford AM653 Filed;	LB 539 states that the Auditor of Public accounts shall have access to any and all information and records, confidential or otherwise, including privileged communications, unless otherwise denied such access by federal law or explicitly named and denied access by state law	x		

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LB543	Harr		Provide for certification of community paramedics and reimbursement under medicaid	Health and Human Services	2/6/2015		LB 543 establishes criteria and requirements for certification for community paramedics. To be eligible for certification, an individual must be a licensed paramedic and completed a paramedic education program from a board approved university or college	x		
LB544	Harr		Adopt the Community Gardens Act	Agriculture	2/24/2015	General File w/AM697		x		
LB549	Campbell		Adopt the Health Care Transformation Act	Health and Human Services	2/20/2015		LB549 creates the Health Care Transformation Act to encourage collaboration among all health care system stakeholders in the state to create a 15 year vision to include the Building Blocks of Health Care	X		
_B556	Kolowski			Business and Labor			, at the option of the employee, make the exclusive remedy protection for the employer inapplicable in cases where the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court has made a determination that the injury is due to the willful negligence of the employer			

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LB560	Williams		Appropriate funds to the University of Nebraska and create a fund	Appropriations	3/3/2015		Appropriation of \$25,000,000 from the General Fund for FY2015-16 to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska for building projects at the Nebraska Innovation Campus		OSMON	LOTOSIIION
LB561	Stinner	Stinner	Name the Irrigation District Act and change election provisions for irrigation districts	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/12/2015	General File 2/23; Final Reading 4/29;		x		
LB564	Lindstrom		Change duties and obligations relating to the mowing of weeds along county roads	Transportation & Telecommunicati			LB 564 states that roadside mowing be done on a scheduled rotational basis with no more than one-third of the county property mowed within a one year			Oppose
LB567	Johnson		Permit transfer of prescription information between pharmacies as prescribed	Health and Human Services	2/11/2015		LB 567 seeks to establish legislative intent of the law and to clarify the section	x		
LB570	Brasch		Change operation restrictions on golf car vehicles	Transportation & Telecommunications		General File w/AM398; AM398 Adopted; Select File w/ ER106; Final Reading 5/7;	LB 570 states that between sunrise and sunset, a city, county, or village may implement standards for golf car vehicles for use. This includes that if an operator is found guilty of a violation and having no limited liability insurance would be guilty of a Class IV misdemeanor	X		

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LB574	Davis		Adopt the Intangible Personal Property Tax Act	Revenue	3/12/2015	Indefinitely Postponed		x		
LB575	Murante	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	Change provisions relating to ballots for early voting, write-in candidates, and filling vacancies	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs		General File w/AM1276; AM1276 Adopted; Select File w/ER99; Schumacher AM1424 Filed; Murante AM1510 Filed; AM1424 Lost; AM1510 Adopted;		X		
LB577	Murante	Speaker Hadley	Permit counties to regulate peddlers, hawkers, and solicitors	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/18/2015	General File w/AM189		×		
LB578	Murante		Change provisions relating to elections	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/5/2015		LB 578 states that any judge or clerk of election, precinct or district inspector or temp election worker may choose not to be paid for the hours he or she works			
LB579	Murante		Change traffic accident reporting requirements as prescribed and authorize a fee for a copy of a peace officer report	d .	(1)			x		
LB587	McCollister		Change the motor vehicle tax schedules	Revenue	3/18/2015		Changes the motor vehicle tax schedule for motor vehicles other than passenger cars; automobiles and motorcycles. Operative date of January 1, 2016	×		

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LB588	Pansing Brooks		Provide for electronic application for ballots to vote early by mail	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/27/2015			x		
LB590	Friesen		Change provisions relating to a taxable value certified under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	Education	2/2/2015		LB 590 states when the county assessor provides the total taxable value by a school district in the county for the current assessment year, the county assessor is to include the assessed valuation of any taxable real property having it's property taxes divided, rather than property's redevelopment project valuation	x		
LB592	Bolz		Change provisions relating to corrections and parole and mentally ill offenders	Judiciary	2/20/2015	·	LB 592 in one of six legislative bills introduced this session to address issues raised by the Interim Study report 424. LB 592 adds "personality disorder" to the definition of a mentally ill	X		
LB593	Nordquist		Appropriate funds to the University of Nebraska to study current health data systems	Appropriations	3/3/2015		LB 593 Appropriates \$250,000 from the General Fund FY 2015-2016, to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska to fund the University of Nebraska Medical Center for a current study of Nebraska health data systems	x		

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LB602	Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee		Change collection provisions relating to judges retirement fees	Judiciary	2/4/2015	General File w/AM308	LB 602 adds that Nebraska Retirement Fund for Judges fee goes from \$6 to \$8 and shall be taxed as costs in pretrial diversion in a criminal cause of action or traffic misdemeanor or infraction in such courts beginning October 1, 2015	x		
LB603	Bloomfield		Provide for processing and certification of federal firearms forms as prescribed	Judiciary	3/19/2015			X		
LB604	Bloomfield		Change provisions relating to reimbursement to political subdivisions under the Governor's Emergency Program	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs		Bloomfield MO26 Withdraw Bill Filed; Bill Withdrawn		x		
LB605	Mello	Speaker Hadley	Change classification of penalties, punishments, probation and parole provisions, and provisions relating to criminal records and restitution and provide for a special legislative committee	Judiciary		General File w/AM1010; AM1010 Adopted; Seiler AM1242 Filed; AM1242 Adopted; Select File w/ER81; Harr AM1330 Filed; Seiler AM1530 Filed;	LB 605 is the first part of recommendations stemming from the CSG working group that was created at the end of last session	x		

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LB606	Mello		Adopt the Office of Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System Act, change provisions relating to the Public Counsel, and mandate a declaration by the Governor of a correctional system overcrowding emergency as prescribed	Judiciary	2/20/2015			×		
LB609	Smith		Adopt the Nebraska Bridge Repair Act	Transportation & Telecommunications	d .		The bill creates a mechanism for priority of bridge repairs in Nebraska and to have broad representation in the prioritization. This is a high priority bill for many of the road users, contractors and others	X		Oppose
LB610	Smith	Friesen	Change motor fuel excise taxes	Revenue	3/6/2015	General File 3/11; Select File 4/2; Final Reading 4/15	This bill would increase the motor vehicle fuel excise tax by \$1.50 over the course of four years. The funding would go in part to cities, counties and the state. The state portion would go towards LB609 which creates a bridge bank and allows for the prioritization of bridge repair and replacement	×		Support

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LB615	Kintner		Provide a property tax exemption for homesteads of certain persons	Revenue	2/12/2015		LB615 would require the frozen assessed value to be adjusted after any substantial improvements by the owner to the homestead	x		
LB623	Nordquist	McCollister	Provide for issuance of motor vehicle operators' licenses and state ID cards to persons with lawful status	Transportation & Telecommunicati ons	1	General File w/AM1203		x		
LB626	Campbell		Create a fund and change motor vehicle fees and taxes and their distribution	Transportation & Telecommunications			Is intended to increase the registration fee for vehicles and move an amount into a Bridge Bank	x		
LB630	Krist		Provide duties for the Nebraska State Patrol regarding criminal history record information checks	Judiciary	2/5/2015		LB states upon request for a criminal history record, the Nebraska State Patrol undertakes a search for criminal history record information of applicant to include fingerprint's of the applicant to the FBI for a national criminal history check	x		
LB631	Scheer		Change medicaid provisions relating to acceptance of and assent to federal law	Health and Human Services	3/18/2015		LB 631 states that the state shall accept the provisions of the Federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, public law 111-148	x		
LB633	Stinner		Appropriate funds for state aid to municipalities and counties	Appropriations	3/18/2015	Stinner AM880 Filed;	Appropriates \$20,000,000 to counties and \$20,000,000 to cities for infrastructure projects	×		Support

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB639	Garrett		Provide authority for the Department of Roads to issue permits to control roadside vegetation as prescribed	Transportation & Telecommunicati ons	-		Department may require permits for the control of vegetation in the vicinity of advertising signs, displays or devices placed	×		
LB646	Kintner		Eliminate provisions for secret ballots for leadership under the Open Meetings Act	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	2/25/2015			x		
LB649	Kintner	МсСоу	Require all votes taken by public officials to be a public record as prescribed	N 1990	2/25/2015	General File w/AM821; Chambers MO88 Bracket until 6/5 Filed; MO88 Prevails	LB 649 states that all votes taken by public officials in the course of their public duties shall be considered public record.	x		
LB651	Bloomfield		Change liability for certain court costs as prescribed	Judiciary		Indefinitely Postponed		x		
LB656	Speaker Had	lley	Provide for deficit appropriations	Appropriations	2/23/2015	General File w/AM828; Select File w/ER113; Mello AM1501 Filed; AM1501 Adopted;		x		

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LB/LR	Sponsor Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB657	Speaker Hadley	Appropriate funds for state government expenses	Appropriations	2/23/2015	General File w/AM829; Mello AM1484 Filed; AM1484 adopted; Select File w/ER114; Mello AM1508 Filed; AM1508 Withdrawn; AM1566 Adopted;		X		
LB658	Speaker Hadley	Appropriate funds for salaries of members of the Legislature	Appropriations	2/23/2015	General File 4/28; Select File 5/5;		x		
LB659	Speaker Hadley	Appropriate funds for salaries of constitutional officers	Appropriations	2/23/2015	General File w/AM1191; Select File 5/5;		x		
LB660	Speaker Hadley	Appropriate funds for capital construction and property acquisition	Appropriations	2/23/2015	General File w/AM830; Select File w/ER116; Mello AM1502 Filed; AM1502 Adopted;		x		
LB661	Speaker Hadley	Provide fund transfers, create a fund, and authorize certain transfers	Appropriations	2/23/2015	General File w/AM831; Mello AM1486 Filed; AM1486 adopted; Chambers AM1434 Filed; McCoy AM1486 Filed; Sellect File w/ER117; AM1488 Adopted;		X		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB662	Speaker Ha	dley	Provide for transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund	Appropriations	2/23/2015	General File w/AM1246; Chambers AM1435 Filed; Select File 5/5; Mello AM1538 Filed; AM1538 Adopted;		x		
LB663	Speaker Ha	dley	Change the salaries of Supreme Court judges	Judiciary	2/4/2015	General File w/AM885; Select File 5/5;	This bill raises the salary for the Chief Justice and judges of the Supreme Court in Nebraska by 2.25% on July 1, 2015 and by 2.40% on July 1, 2016	x		
LB670	Krist		Require a hearing prior to release for persons taken into custody for mental health reasons		2/17/2016		LB 670 strikes language making a more strict interpretation of the release of a juvenile from temporary custody. The bill also inserts additional language that requires a mental health professional to immediately notify the county attorney if the juvenile is not deemed mentally ill and dangerous or a dangerous sex offender in which the county attorney shall proceed to a hearing before the court within 24 hours regarding the juvenile's release.		Oppose	
LB671	Krist		Repeal the Build Nebraska Act and change the distribution of sales tax revenue Introduced by Krist	Revenue	2/5/2016	IPP	LB 671 changes the termination date of the State Highway Critical Improvement Fun on the effective date of this act and all money in the fund shall be transferred to the General Fund.		Oppose	

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.B672	Krist		Eliminate Fees on Tires as Prescribed	Natural Resources	1/21/2016		LB 672 includes that various subdivisions terminate on January 1, 2017 regarding the Waste Reduction and recycling Incentive Act and that an imposed fee of one dollar on each tire of every new motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer will be assessed prior to October 1, 2016.		Oppose	
.B <b>67</b> 3	Krist		Change provisions relating to appointment of guardians ad litem Introduced by Krist	Judiciary	1/20/2016	General File W/AM244, AM 2449	LB 673 states that if there is a guardian ad litem division, appointments will first be directed to them and if a conflict exists the court may appoint a guardian ad litem outside of the division. It also replaces the court hearing of an application with the county board.		Support	

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_B/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
			Change provisions				LB 675 adds language that prohibits a juvenile from being placed in a rehabilitation center unless an immediate and urgent reason persists. It also ensures that a juvenile will not be detained unless there is a legitimate threat to the security of anyone in the community or if it is necessary to ensure that the juvenile will appear at the next hearing due to a trend of absences at a hearing over a period of 12 months. It states that no juvenile under the year of 12 years old will at anytime under any circumstance be placed in detention; to allow a parent or guardian to avoid legal responsibility, punish treat or rehabilitate the juvenile, permit more convenient administrative access to the juvenile, facilitate further interrogation or investigation of the juvenile, due to lack of more appropriate facilities, or			
			relating to placement and detention of				satisfy the demands of a victim, law enforcement, or the			
.B675	Krist		juveniles	Judiciary	1/20/2016		community.			

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LB682	Craighead		Change deadlines for ballots for early voting and special elections by mail Introduced by Craighead	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/20/2016		LB 682: Changes language from 4 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding the election to the second Friday preceding the election to allow more time for voting officials to receive ballots on time and to record the early voting ballots.		Oppose	
LB687	Bloomfield			Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/4/2016		LB 687 provides that a recall petition is reviewed by the state and that the state is responsible for all costs of the recall procedure, any special election, or costs incurred related to a canceled election. The bill strikes language that excluded trustees of sanitary and improvement districts, members of a political subdivision, member of a governing body of a city, village, county, irrigation district, natural resource district, public power district, school district, community college, education service unit, hospital district, and metropolitan utility district. The bill also includes the process to bring about a petition against an elected official whether elected or appointed and that petition needs to be authorized by the filing clerk.			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB693	Morfeld		Modify jurisdiction of juvenile courts and change provisions relating to temporary custody and disposition of juveniles	Judiciary	1/28/2016		LB 693 extends from one year to two years every tort claim against a political subdivision.			
I Bege	Howard		Provide for a medicaid state plan waiver to provide coverage for treatment of opioid	Health and	2/10/2016		LB 696 makes changes to include the date of January 1, 2016 for the Department of Health and Human Services to submit a state plan amendment to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act to implement a demonstration project to access cost-efficient treatment for opioid abuse.			
B696	Howard		abuse.	Human Services	2/10/2016		тр.с.а азабо.			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
			Change the Nebraska Municipal Land Bank				LB 699 requires at least one member to represent a chamber of commerce, one member with experience in banking, one member with experience in real estate development, one member with experience as a realtor, one member with experience in nonprofit or affordable housing, one member with experience in large-scale property rental, and a single voting member may satisfy more than one of the requirements provided in subdivision of this section if they have the required qualification. The bill adds the priority of use for urban agricultural activities including the establishment of community gardens as defined in section 2-303.			
LB699	Mello		Act	Urban Affairs	1/19/2016	Final Reading				

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB703	Urban Affairs Committee		Change provisions relating to nuisances in cities and villages		1/19/2016	Passed	LB 703 states a city or village must establish method of notice by ordinance. If done by US mail first class, it must contain a mark indicating importance. Within five days of receipt, owner/occupant of the ground may request a hearing on the nuisance. Hearing would be set within fourteen days of the appeal filing and a hearing officer has five business days to render a decision.			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB704	Urban Affairs Committee	Urban Affairs 201	Change building code provisions applicable to political subdivisions	Urban Affairs	1/19/2016	Final Reading	LB 704 restricts the city council in cities of metropolitan class within the corporate limits of the city or within three miles of the corporate limits. IT requires any building or construction code implemented under this section shall be adopted and enforced. It designates the power for the city council and city or village board of any village to adopt by ordinance the conditions, provisions, limitations, and terms of a plumbing code, an electrical code, a fire prevention code, and any other standard code which contains rules and regulations. It removes the authority of the legislative body of any city of the first or second class or any village from adopting the items mentioned above.		Monitor	
LB707	Coash		Increase the number of judges of the separate juvenile court	Judiciary	3/2/2016	General File	LB 707 – states that counties with a population of four hundred thousand or more will have six juvenile judges.		Support	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB709	Howard		Provide for an alternative to detention for juveniles	Judiciary	1/20/2016		Provides for alternate detention of increased supervision for a youth to ensure the youth attends court and avoids future law infractions. Supervision includes electronic monitoring, day/evening reporting centers, house arrest and temporary shelter placement. Placement does not include facilities that allow for physical restraint or ingress and egress for placement.			

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		rionty	Change provisions of the Noxious Weed Control Act and create the Riparian Vegetation		nearing Date	Jatus	Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force to be housed within the Department of Agriculture. Starting FY 2016-2017 appropriation of \$2million dollars annually for the management of vegetation within the banks of a natural stream. Governor will appoint members of the task force; one surface water project representative from each river basin; one representative from Dept. of Agriculture; Department of Environmental Quality; Department of Natural Resources; office of the Governor; office of the State Forester; Games and Parks; and the University of Nebraska. Two representatives nominated by Association of Resources Districts; two representatives nominated by Nebraska Weed Control Association; one riparian landowner from congressional districts; one representative from the Nebraska Environmental Trust. Any member of the Legislature may serve as an ex officio at his or her option.		Position	LC Position
B711	Hughes		Management Task Force	Natural	2/18/2016		Meetings are to be held in		100	Weed Control
B711	Hughes		Force	Resources	2/18/2016		communities within the		1	Support

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LB/LK	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB714	Stinner		Provide for and change a provision relating to sufficient cause for nonuse of a water appropriation	Natural Resources	1/22/2016		states that for sufficient cause for nonuse shall be deemed to exist for up to fifteen consecutive years if such nonuse was a result of one or more of the following(adds) the appropriation is temporarily transferred to a natural resources district or other competent authority for the purpose of depletion offsets, aquifer recharge, stream augmentation, or maintenance of instream flow		Oppose	
			Provide and eliminate provisions regarding pedestrians and	Transportation & Telecommunicati			LB 716 states a pedestrian lawfully entering designed bike or walk path of a highway intersection or adjacent to intersection of two highways controlled by traffic signal has the right-of-way within the crossing with respect to vehicles and bicycles. Bicyclist cannot suddenly leave a curb or safety path into the path of a car that it is so close it is impossible for the driver to stop. Nothing in the subsection relieves a bicyclist or driver from duty of			
B716	Kolowski	Speaker Hadley	bicyclists	ons	1	General File W/AM213				

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LB717	Groene	Groene 2016	Change provisions relating to the assessment and valuation of real property	Revenue	2/4/2016		LB 717 States that the actual value of real property for purpose of taxation means the value to be determined by the use of professionally accepted mass appraisal methods. It removes language of "market value of real property in the ordinary course of trade". Legislation states, except for assessment occurring on January 1, 2016, the assessed value shall be the same as the assessed value on January 1, 2015, in relation to assessing tax on real property.			
LB720	Kuehn		Change certain invasion of privacy provisions to include unmanned aircraft or unmanned aircraft systems	Judiciary	2/25/2016		LB 720 states an individual is liable for invasion of privacy for flying an unmanned aircraft below 200ft of privately owned property without permission of the owner of the property in the act of capturing any form of visual image/recording. Individual is responsible for reasonable damage caused by the invasion.		Support	

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#### Kissel/ES Associates Bills of Interest Report Client: LC

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
							LB 722 creates the Stroke System of Care Act. In an effort to meet the increase of Stokes in the state of Nebraska, this bill creates an effective stroke system of care to be provided to individuals. The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to adopt rules and regulations that include the criteria for designation of a hospital as a comprehensive stroke center, primary stroke center, or acute stroke-ready hospital. The American Heart Association, the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, or another nationally recognized stroke			

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care organization will approve

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB723	Schumache	r	Change sales and use tax collection fees	Revenue	1/22/2016		LB 723 changes the date of October 1, 2002 to read on and after January 1, 2017 and doubles the 2.5% to 5% of the first three thousand dollars remitted each month and two and one-half percent of the next three thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement for the cost of collecting the tax. The bill also states that taxes collected prior to January 1, 2017 will be deducted and withheld from the amount of taxes collected two and one-half percent of the first three thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement for the cost of collecting the tax.			
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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
			Change sales and use tax collection				LB 724 Changes the date from October 1, 2002 to on or after January 1, 2017 for all taxes deducted and withheld from the amount of taxes collected five percent, opposed to the previous two and on half percent, of the first six thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement for the cost od collecting the tax. The bill also states that taxes collected prior to January 1, 2017 will be deducted and withheld from the amount of taxes collected two and one-half percent of the first three thousand dollars remitted each month as reimbursement for the cost of			
LB724	Schumache	r	fees	Revenue	1/22/2016		collecting the tax.		Support	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
							granted by a land owner to			
						1	use real estate for a limited			
							purpose. Usually the purpose			
							is for utilities but can also be			
							for such things as rights of			
	į						passage across land. An			
							easement does not affect the			
							ownership of the land.			
							Recent amendments to the			
							definition of "deed" in §76-			
	Í						203, perhaps unintentionally			
							caused easements to fall			
							under the definition of "deed"			
							in §76-203, which now			
							includes "every written			
							instrument by which any real			
							estate or interest therein is			
							created" Therefore the			
							Department of Revenue			
						1	instructs county register of			
							deeds to require real estate			
							transfer statements,			
							commonly referred to as Form			
							521, be filed with easements			
							at the same time they are			
							recorded pursuant to §76-214,			
							even though ownership of			
	N.						property is not transferred.			
							Form 521 identifies the owner			
							and the purchaser, any			
			Provide an exception				documentary tax exemptions			
			to a filing				that might exempt the			
			requirement relating				transaction from the nominal			
			to conveyances of				recording tax assessed when			
LB725	Schumache	_	real estate	Revenue	1/24/2015		a deed is filed, a description of			
_0120	Schulliache		Todi Ostate	iveseine	1/21/2016	General File W/	/AM201 the property, and the price			

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB729	Johnson		Change provisions of the Real Property Appraiser Act Introduced by Johnson	Banking Commerce & Insurance	1/25/2016	Passed	LB 729 adds an independent contractor that is retained by a county to assist in the appraisal of real property as performed by the county assessor of such county subject to the standards established by the Tax Commissioner.			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	<b>Hearing Date</b>	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
							from January 1, 2015 to	Ì		
			1				January 1, 2016. It also adds			
							the compliance with the			
							Uniform Standards of			
							Professional Appraisal			
							Practice in a report performed			
							by the real property appraiser.			
							The bill further adds any			
				•			salaried employee of the			
							entities listed in subdivisions a			
							through d of the subdivision			
							who is a credentialed real			
		4					property appraiser and who			
							does not sign a report as a			
							credentialed real property			
							appraiser shall include a			
							disclosure prominently with			
							such report. It adds language			
							stating that any person who is			
							appointed to serve as an			
							appraiser is subject to the			
							Uniform Standards of			
							Professional Appraisal			
							Practice, excluding standards			
							1 through 10. The bill states			
							that in order to qualify for an			
							initial credential the applicant			
							must certify that disciplinary			
							proceedings are not pending,			
							certify that he or she has not			
							surrendered an appraiser			
							credential, certify that his or			
							her appraiser credential, has			
			Change provisions	Banking,			not been revoked, they not			
			relating to the Real	Commerce &			have been convicted of a			
LB731	Johnson		Property Appraiser Act	Insurance	1/25/2016	General File	felony, crime of fraud, crime		Support	

Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
Hansen		Change electioneering provisions related to yard signs	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs			Legislative Bill 741 amends section 32-1524, relating to the issue of electioneering. The bill attempts to provide clarity to current law, and would allow for a person to display yard signs on private property within two hundred feet of a polling place.			
Hansen	Speaker Hadley	Change county population thresholds	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/4/2016	General File	LB 742 does not require a county board of commissioners to increase their members from 5 to 7 as a result of an increase in population that exceeds 300,000 persons.			Support
Campbell	Campbell 2016	Adopt the Nebraska Strengthening Families Act, change provisions for guardians ad litem and services for children, and create the Normalcy Task	Health and	1/21/2016	Final Reading	Adopt the Nebraska Strengthening Families Act, change provisions for guardian ad litem and services for children, and create the Normalcy Task		Onness	
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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
							LB 750 introduces language			
							that prohibits an individual or			
							a business pursuant to the			
							Uniform Credentialing Act			
							from retaliating against any			
							person who make a report to			
							the department od Health and			
							Human Services relating to an			l
							act or omission of the			
							credential holder to the License Assistance Program.			
			Ö				The act ensures that the			
							identity of someone who			
							makes a report is confidential.			
	İ						Further, any person making a			
							report is immune from criminal			
							or civil liability of any nature.			
							The bill restricts a health care			
							facility pursuant to the Health		1	
							Care Facility Licensure Act			
			Change Uniform				from retaliating against any			
			Change Uniform				person who makes a report			
			Credentialing Act				under the Uniform			
			provisions relating to				Credentialing Act relating to			
			confidentiality and	I I Indo I			an individual employed or			
2750	lindstre		prohibit retaliation as	Health and	0 10 - 15	General File	under contract with a health			
B750	Lindstrom		prescribed	Human Services	2/24/2016	W/AM2378	care facility.	1	Oppose	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
			Increase original certificate of title fees for vehicles transferred to Nebraska from another state or	Transportation & Telecommunicati			LB 765 would amend Section 60-154 by increasing fees related to each original certificate of title issue by a Nebraska county or the Department of Motor Vehicles for a motor vehicle, all terrain vehicle, a utility-type vehicle, minibike, or trailer being titled in Nebraska from another state or country by increasing the current \$10 fee to \$25 for these types of vehicles receiving an original certificate of title. Percentage of those fees are distributed to Motor Vehicle Cash fund; General Fund; HHS Cash fund for programs related to brain injury; Motor Vehicle Fraud Cash Fund; Motor Carrier Division Cash Fund and			Support through
LB765	Garrett		country	ons	1/26/2016		Nebraska State Patrol Fund.		Monitor	letter

#### Kissel/ES Associates Bills of Interest Report Client: LC

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB768	Garrett	Speaker Hadley	Provide for Choose Life License Plates	Transportation & Telecommunications			Would allow for personal license plates for individuals supporting a Pro Life stance. Money raised from sale of the personal plates would go into a new state fund, Choose Life Pregnancy and Adoption fund. Fund would be used to provide grants for organizations providing counseling, pregnancy testing and training related to pregnant women considering adoption.		Support	
LB770	Groene		Change the termination date of the Nebraska Exchange Transparency Act	Banking, Commerce & Insurance	2/8/2016	General File	LB 770 changes the amount of time an appointed member of the Nebraska Exchange Transparency Act from four years to three years.		Cond. Support	
LB774	Scheer	Revenue 2016	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for purchases by nonprofit substance abuse treatment centers	Revenue		General File W/AM2422	LB 774 adds that sales and use taxes shall not be imposed on substance abuse treatment centers licensed under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act. They may apply for an exemption on forms provided by the Tax Commissioner.			Support AM2422

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LB777	Gloor		Change provisions relating to partial payments for property taxes held in escrow	Revenue	1/21/2016		LB 777 Requires County Treasurers to accept partial payments for property taxes. The bill removes the language any county board may pass a resolution and replaces it with the county treasurer shall.			Oppose through letter
_B779	Schumacher		Change provisions relating to the partisan status of certain political subdivision offices	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	3/2/2016		LB 779 prevents the county clerk from being elected on the partisan ballot if as otherwise provided in section 32-707. This section states; unless at least one of the two political parties which polled the most votes cast for Governor in the most recent gubernatorial election holds a county convention in an evennumbered year and has attendance of at least two percent of the registered voters affiliated with that party in that county. It also prevents the county clerk from being elected if the offices in the county are nonpartisan pursuant to the most recent gubernatorial election.			

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB780	Schumacher		Change provisions relating to emergency protective custody	Judiciary	2/3/2016		Department of HHS would be required to take charge of a mentally ill individual who are taken into emergency protective custody. Bill would make it a misdemeanor for HHS Behavioral Health Division to refuse custody of a person.		Support	
LB784	Friesen		Change provisions relating to deficit expenditures by county boards	Government	1/27/2016		states that a county board may exceed their authorized expenditures in order to meet their statutory obligations. Approval of expenditures must be take place in an open public meeting of the county board.			

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							section two and relocates the			
	1						section regarding application			
	į						made by the department			
							personnel in any county and			
	Ì						the personnel conduct the			
							examination of the applicant			
							down to page 21. It does allow			
							for personnel in counties in			
							which the county treasure			
	i			İ			collects the fees and issues			
							receipts to conduct an	İ		
							examination of applicants and	ĺ		
							deliver successful applicants	İ		
	į						an issuance of certificate or		Ì	
							receipt. The department is			
							required to remit the county			
							portion of the fees to the State	İ		
							Treasurer for credit to the			
							Department of Motor Vehicles			
							Cash fund id the department			ì
							issues an operator's license or			
							a state identification card and			
				i			collects the fees. Section 8 of			
				İ			the bill grants the Department			İ
	1						of Motor Vehicles to cancel or			
							refuse to issue or renew the			
							operator's license or state			
							identification card if the fee is			
							not honored or accepted by			
							any form of payment. The			
							license will remain cancelled			
							until the full amount can be	ļ		
	1		Change provisions	Transportation			paid. The applicant for			
			relating to the Motor	and			identification will be notified by			
			Vehicle Operator's	Telecommunicati			first-class mail if the action is		Cond.	
.B785	Friesen		License Act	ons	1/25/2016	General File	insufficient at the time of		Oppose	

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LB786	Larson		Change requirements for completion of death certificates and cremation permits	Health and Human Services	1/20/2016	Passed	LB 786 – removes the handwritten option of a funeral director, embalmer, physician, physician assistant or nurse practitioner when signing a medical death certificate. Legislation allows for an electronic signature in place of handwritten signature. LB 786 states before any dead body may be cremated, permit of cremation will be signed electronically by the county attorney or designee.		Support	
LB787	Morfeld		Allow a voter to photograph and reveal a marked ballot	Government	1/28/2016		would allow for a voter to photograph his or her ballot.		Neutral	
_R389CA	Harr		Constitutional amendment to remove provisions regarding marriage from the Constitution of Nebraska	Judiciary	1/27/2016		Put to the vote of the people the repeal of the state's ban on same-sex marriage.		Oppose	
_B797	Harr		Change provisions relating to the accrual of interest on denied and reduced homestead exemptions	Revenue	2/18/2016		LB 797 states 30 days after the county assessor received approval by the county board to remove or reduce the exemption from the tax rolls of the county, the reate from time to time can be adjusted by the Legislature.		Support	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
							LB 806 creates the Riverfront Development District Act that provides a means by which such historic river cities may be effectively funded, managed, promoted, and developed within their corporate limits. A riverfront			
							development district may be created through the adoption of an ordinance that names the river, boundaries of the district, qualifications and terms of the office, statement			
							that the business shall be subject to the general occupations tax or real property will be subject to special assessment, the proposed method of			
							assessment will be imposed within the district, and penalties will be imposed for failure to pay the occupation tax or special assessment.			
			Adopt the Riverfront Development District			General File	After the creation of a district, the mayor, with the approval of the city council, shall appoint a riverfront development authority to oversee and manage the			
B806	Mello		Act	Urban Affairs	2/16/2016	W/AM2137	district.		Monitor	

Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
Williams		Allow counties of all sizes to waive quarterly reports by county attorneys	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/27/2016	Passed	LB 807 removes language that states counties with less than two hundred thousand population may waive the duty to make a annual inventory statement.		Monitor	
Drooch		Change provisions relating to counties' use of alphanumeric and county number				LB 811 changes provisions to the motor vehicle registration providing an operative date. The bill declares in counties having a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants or more, the registration of motor vehicles shall be in alphanumeric system. In all other counties it will be left to the county board to decide on an alphanumeric system or			
Brasch		system license plates	ons	1/19/2016	Passed	county number system.		Support	
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							even-numbered year, the			
							owner of each parcel of			
	\$ e						property that is exempt from			
							property taxes shall file with			
							the county assessor of the			
							county in which the property is			
							located a form containing the			
							following information: name			
	1						and address, legal description			
							of property, date of acquisition			
	İ						of the property, description of			
							any improvements on the			
							property, whether the property			
				3			was leased or not, and the			
				İ			owners estimate of the fair			
						I	market value oh the property			
							on January 1 of the even			
							numbered year. The bill adds			
	ĺ						that by July 1 of each even-			
			i				numbered year, the county			
							assessor of each county shall			
							complete and deliver to the			
	ļ						Department of Revenue a			
				İ			form on which the county			
							assessor estimates the fair			
							market value of tax-exempt			
							property, classified by the type			
	į			į			of owner, within his or her		1	
							county and that the			
							Department of Revenue shall			
							prescribe the forms to be used			
							for purposes of the value			
							ranges for estimating the fair			
			Provide reporting				market value of property. The			
			requirements for tax-				Department of Revenue will			
B825	Davis		exempt property	Revenue	2/18/2016		prepare an estimate of the fair		Monitor	

#### Kissel/ES Associates Bills of Interest Report Client: LC

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB827	Harr		Allow county treasurers to receive fees for services rendered to sanitary and improvement districts	Government, Military, and Veteran Affairs	1/27/2016		LB 827 allows each county treasurer to receive on behalf of the county the collection of all sums of money, general or bonded, of sanitary and improvement districts, two percent of the sums so collected.		Support	
I B836	Mello		Adopt the In the Line of	and become account on the second	2/9/2016	IDD	LB 836 creates the In the Line of Duty Compensation Act and states that if a law enforcement officer or firefighter is killed in the line of duty, compensation shall be paid as provided in the act to recognize the ultimate sacrifice made by such law enforcement officer or firefighter. In the year 2016, compensation will be fifty thousand dollars and will be the same for the following year with the inclusion of percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban consumers. If there is no family available for the deceased officer, the surviving family member will receive the			
LB836	Mello		Duty Compensation Ac	t Labor	2/8/2016	IPP	sum amount.			İ

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	Pansing-		Provide requirements relating to confinement of juveniles and provide a duty for the Inspector General of				LB 845 includes section 6 stating that the Legislature creates a system of investigation and performance review in order to provide increased accountability and oversight regarding the use of room confinement for juveniles in a juvenile facility. All confinement incidents must be documented and include the race, ethnicity, age, and gender of the juvenile, the reason for confinement, an explanation of why less restrictive means were unsuccessful, the ultimate duration of the placement in room confinement, and any incidents of self harm or suicide committed by the Juvenile while he or she was			
LB845	Brooks	ļ	Nebraska Child Welfare	Judiciary	1/20/2016		isolated.	1		

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					i		general index, Judge's notes,			
							Judgment index, register of			
							actions, and case type when			
							filing of complaints or petitions	1		
							and subsequent pleadings			
							and date of such filings,			
		1					including orders and			
							judgments of the court. The			
							bill states that the county court			
							shall file the following with the			
							district court within ten days			
							after entry of the transfer			
							order: Certification of the			
							proceedings; all original			
							documents of the action;			
							certification of the transcript of			
							the register of actions; and certification of the court costs			
							with the clerk of the district			
							court. The clerks of the district			
							court shall use the court's			
	į						electronic case management			
							system provided by the state,			
							which shall be the record of			
							receipts and reimbursements.			
							The bills strikes the foreman			
		İ					and secretary from filing in the			
							office of the clerk of the district			
							court in section 35 101. The			
							bill also requires the case file			
							to contain the pleadings,			
				ľ			orders, court actions,			
							judgments, post judgment			
							actions, and other documents.			
	Pansing-		Change provisions				The case file can be			
B848	Brooks		relating to courts	Judiciary	3/2/2016		maintained either			

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LB863	Schilz		Adopt the Wind Energy Expansion Act	Natural Resources	2/4/2016		LB 863 creates the Wind Energy Expansion Act. The bill designates the Director of the State Energy Office to establish a process to recognize and assist efforts of counties to create, maintain, or expand their wind energy sectors under the Wind Energy Expansion Act.			
LB872	Murante		Change a provision relating to the use of blue and amber rotating or flashing lights	Transportation & Telecommunications	No.		LB 872 allows blue and amber rotating lights to be displayed on vehicles when operated by the Department of Roads or any local authority for the inspection, construction, repair, or maintenance of highways, roads, or streets.			
LB876	Murante		Authorize electronic voting devices for public bodies in public meetings	Government, Military &Veterans Affairs	1/21/2016	Final Reading	LB 876 replaces municipality, a county, a learning community, a joint entity, a joint public agency, or agency under the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act with public body.		Monitor	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB877	Murante		Change a provision relating to review of proposed subdivision plats by certain county planning commissions	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/11/2016	General File W/AM2104	LB 877 adds a fifth section the requires counties having a population in excess of one hundred thousand inhabitants but less than two hundred thousand inhabitants to provide the county planning commission with all available materials on any proposed subdivision plat.		Neutral	
			Change the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act and the Sport Arena Facility Financing				LB 884 requires that ten percent of such funds appropriated to a city of the primary class may be invested in areas with a high concentration of poverty to assist with low-income housing needs. Applications for state assistance submitted prior to the operative date of this act, the area that is located within six hundred yards of an eligible sports arena facility, measured from the facility but not from any parking facility or other structure. Applications submitted on or after the operative date of this act, a map identifying the program area, including any unbuildable property within the program area or take into			
			Arena racility Financing	1	la la la la la la la la la la la la la l	General File	account in adjusting the			

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_B/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB886	Davis	Davis 2016	Adopt the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act and provide income tax credits	Revenue	2/3/2016	General File	LB 886 will create the volunteer emergency responders incentive act. The act will create a \$250 refundable tax credit for volunteer emergency responders who meet the stated criteria.			
LB888	Mello		Change provisions relating to tax credits under the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act	Revenue	1/28/2016	General File	LB 888 states that a taxpayer who claims a tax credit will not pay additional retaliatory tax as described under section 44-150 for claiming a tax credit. Any tax claim will be considered a payment of tax as in subsection (1) of 77-2734.03			
LB893	Pansing Brooks		Modify jurisdiction of juvenile courts and change provisions relating to temporary custody and disposition of juveniles	Judiciary	1/22/2016		LB 893 Sets the minimum age at 11 years old for a child to be charged in juvenile court. Provides the right to an attorney and requires a waiver to be made in open court. Legislation also states that the child would not be charged with a crime, but placed in a treatment facility if necessary.			
LB894	Pansing Brooks	Judiciary 2016	Change provisions relating to appointment of counsel in juvenile cases	Judiciary	1/20/2016	Select File	LB 894 would allow for a minor to have a court appointed attorney if the guardians of the child can't afford one upon a court petition being filed.			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB896	Hansen		Require pay increases for state employees to recognize length of service	Business and Labor	2/1/2016	IPP	LB 896 states that state employees would get a raise every five years. Raises would be at 6.25cents/hr(five years); 12.5cents/hr (fen years); 18.75cents/hr (fifteen years); 25 cents/hr (20 years); 31.25 cents/hr(twenty five years); 37.5 cents (thirty years); 43.75 cents/hr (thirty five years); 50 cents/hr (forty years)		Monitor	
			Adopt the Commission on Fathers, Men, and Boys Establishment Act	Health and			LB 905 establishes the Commission on Fathers, Men and Boys. The commission will be made up of ten members. Five members appointed by the Governor and five ex officio appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislature. Commission will advocate, make recommendations to the Governor and Legislature on issues and concerns raised by fathers, men and boys. The commission will address issues of socioeconomic			
LB905	Ebke		of 2016	Human Services	3/2/2016		concerns raised.		Support	

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LB906	Lindstrom	Murante 2015	Adopt the Law Enforcement Education Act authorizing tuition waivers	Education	1/25/2016	Select File	LB 906 – waives 30 percent of resident tuition for law enforcement officers attending a university, college or community college. An officer has to maintain an acceptable performance level with the agency.			
LB910	Bolz	Judiciary 2016	Change provisions relating to parole administration	Judiciary	2/4/2016	Select File W/ER182	LB 910 states starting January 1, 2017, the Office of Parole Administration will be moved to the Board of Parole. The board and director will meet once a month to prepare a plan for legislative review to cover budget, transitions, board policies and procedures with coordination for community based services.		Neutral	
LB911	Bolz	Referral	State intent relating to fund transfers for behavioral health systems of care	Appropriations	2/8/2016		LB 911 appropriates two- hundred thousand dollars for fiscal year 2016-2017 to program 268, Behavioral Health Administration for creating a plan of system care for adults using behavioral health services.		Support	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB912	Smith	Referral	Change requirements for presentation of identification for purposes of voting	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/10/2016		LB 912 – states an individual, prior to voting must present valid photo identification and two of the following: a valid utility bill, bank statement, payment check or other government document.  Documents presented must be within sixty-days of the present day with matching address to vote in that precinct.			
LB915	McCollister		Create a veterans' treatment court pilot project	Judiciary	2/5/2016		LB 915 – Creates a three year pilot program for treatment of veteran's in Douglas County. After conclusion of the three-year study, the Nebraska Supreme Court would make recommendations for the model to be used in other counties.			Req Add info
LB916	Howard		Provide immunity from criminal or civil liability for removal of an animal from a motor vehicle by forcible entry as prescribed	Judiciary	2/19/2016		LB 916 allows for an individual who rescues an animal from a locked car or the animal is trapped inside the car, that individual is immune from criminal or civil liability for damage to the automobile.		Monitor	

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Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
Murante		Provide for the redistribution of motor vehicle taxes as prescribed				LB 918 transfers on one percent of the collected motor vehicle tax to the Vehicle Title and Registration System Replacement and Maintenance Cash Fund.		Support	
		Change provisions relating to problem				states problem solving court programs offer a person accused of drug alcohol and other alternative to traditional			
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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB920	Pansing Bro	oks	Add members to the Nebraska Police Standards Advisory Council	Judiciary	2/18/2016		LB 920 adds nine members to the council starting January 1, 2017. The seventh member of the council will be either a member of the Jail Standards board or from the public at large. The eighth and ninth members will be full time officers from a state law agency with a rank no higher than sergeant. The eighth and ninth members are appointed by the Governor.			
LB922	Kolterman		Change terms of Public Employees Retirement Board members as prescribed	Retirement	2/5/2016		LB 922 requires member to serve five years to ensure an experienced and knowledgeable board. It provides that a member appointed to any of the Nebraska retirement systems will serve five years including the; School Employees Retirement System, Retirement System for Nebraska Counties, and Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System.			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB925	Harr		Change provisions relating to issuing a treasurer's tax deed and bringing a tax lien foreclosure action as prescribed	Revenue	2/17/2016		LB 925 states at anytime within 9 months after the expiration of two years after the date of sale of any real estate for taxes or special assessments if such real estate is not legally occupied and deemed vacant or abandoned. Vacant and abandoned real estate is defined by local ordinance or determined by the appropriate local governing body. Conditions of real estate include overgrown or dead vegetation, trash and waste and /or visible deterioration.			
LB927	Hilkemann		Change provisions relating to surcharges for 911 service	Transportation & Telecommunicati ons	į.		LB 927 changes the uniform service charge for 911 services to say: except that the monthly uniform service surcharge shall not exceed one dollar per month. It strikes language that states a surcharge of up to fifty cents on all active telephone numbers every month from users or wireless service shall remit the surcharge.			
LB928	Mello		Change provisions relating to discriminatory wage practices based on sex	Business and Labor	2/1/2016	IPP	LB 928 – addresses wage discrimination between a man and a women in effort to close the gap. The bill also removes current employee size exemption and addresses definitions of enforcement.		Oppose	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB929	Brasch		Update certain references to federal regulations regarding motor vehicles and motor carriers	Transportation and Telecommunicati ons	1/25/2016	Passed	LB 929 updates effective date from January 1, 2015 to January 1, 2016. Adds language making self-propelled CMV's and intermodal equipment will not apply to forum trucks and forum truck-tractors registered and operated solely in intrastate commerce.			
LB931	Bolz		Provide for financial incentives for certain assisted-living facilities and change distribution of the Behavioral Health Services Fund	Appropriations	2/8/2016		LB 931 appropriates two hundred fifty thousand dollars for fiscal year 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 to the Department of Health and Human Services. The allocation of funds will provide incentives for certain assisted-living facilities for adults with mental illness or a primary diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia.		Support	
_B934	Coash	Coash 2016	Change provisions relating to the Office of the Public Guardian	Judiciary	2/3/2016	Select File AM2544	LB 934 defines multidisciplinary team means a team of professionals hired by the Public Guardian. Public Guardian will be an attorney licensed to practice law in Nebraska. Public Guardian will hire a multidisciplinary team. The team will be made up of professionals in public guardian and trained in the area of law.		Oppose	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Uporing Dete	St-t			NACO	
B/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	LB 935 states information not received by the auditor by December 31st of a calendar year will be considered delinquent. A political subdivision will be notified of the delinquency. If the necessary material is not received within thirty days of the December 31st, a five	LC	Position	LC Position
.B935	Schilz	Government 2016	Change provisions relating to the Auditor of Public Accounts	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/5/2016	General File W.AM238	hundred dollars will be withheld from the next state aid payment to that that political subdivision and continue for each additional thirty days of delinquency. Upon delinquency, the auditor can make an audit of the political subdivision at which the cost will be billed to the			
.B936	Ebke		Change inheritance tax rates and exemption amounts	Revenue	2/17/2016		LB 936 changes inheritance tax to one percent for everything above one-hundred thousand dollars and anything below that limit will not be taxed			Oppose
.B937	Ebke		Eliminate a prohibition on marriage of persons with venereal disease		1/27/2016		LB 937 strikes the language stating that no person with a venereal disease shall be married in Nebraska.			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
_B938	Smith		Adopt the 911 Service System Act and transfer funds from the Enhanced Wireless 911 Fund to the 911 Service System Fund	Transportation &	2/29/2016		LB 938 creates the 911 Service System Act to establish the Public Service Commission as the statewide implementation and coordinating authority to plan, implement, coordinate, manage, maintain, and provide funding assistance for a statewide next-generation 911 service capability.		Oppose	
LB940	Johnson		Adopt the Tax Stabilization Act	Revenue	2/4/2016		LB 940 creates the Tax Stabilization Act to provide property tax relief to property owners across that state and to give the Legislature time to consider appropriate changes to state law that would reduce the reliance on property taxes for the funding of school districts in the state of Nebraska.			oppose
_B943	Hansen		Update references with respect to husband and wife		1/27/2016		changes references of husband and wife to "spouses in a marriage relationship."			
_B944	Hansen		Change terminology relating to parentage and marital relationships	Judiciary	1/27/2016		addresses last year's United Supreme Court ruling of legalizing same sex marriage and changes some references to "parents"			

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LB951	Harr		Adopt the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Act	Revenue	2/10/2016		LB 951 creates the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Act to provide an owner of an affordable housing project to apply for an affordable housing tax credit. A qualified taxpayer shall be allowed a nonrefundable tax credit if the authority determines that the project for which tax credits are sought is a qualified project.		Oppose	
LDJUT	Tidii		Tiousnig Tax credit Act	Kevenue	2/10/2016		project.		Oppose	
I Doco			Require availability of emergency medical services and change membership of the Board of Emergency	Health and			LB 952 states starting January 1, 2016, a county board is responsible to make sure emergency medical services are available for all county residents. The bill states that the county can contract for medical emergency and public safety services. The Board of Emergency Medical Services in regards to the seven out of hospital care providers, two will be emergency medical responders, two will be medical technicians, two will be an advanced medical technician. Members appointed after January 1, 2017, three of them will be volunteer emergency medical			
LB952	Watermeier		Medical Services	Human Services	2/24/2016	General File W/	AM235 care providers.		Support	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
_B954	Krist	Executive Board 2	Change provisions relating to access to records for and investigations by the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare	Executive Board	1/22/2016	Passed	LB 954 states the Office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare can submit a written request to the Probation Administrator for access of juvenile records pertaining to a particular case. Those records will be turned over with approval via a court order. All juvenile cases as defined in sections 43-246 and 43-247, of the juvenile court will provide confidential information to the Foster Care Review Office. If upon investigation, the Inspector General finds misconduct by the juvenile services division, the probation administrator will immediately notified.			
<b>-</b> B956	Speaker Hac	dley	Provide for deficit appropriations	Appropriations	2/1/2016	Select File	LB 956 The bill makes adjustments to appropriations for state operations, aid and construction programs in the current fiscal year ending June 30, 2016 as well as for the next fiscal year July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, provides for transfers, and modifies intent language and earmarks accompanying appropriations approved by the 104th Legislature during 2015.			

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
I DOSZ			Authorize additional uses for certain funds and provide for certain				LB 957 – Money in the department of motor vehicles Ignition Interlock Fund may be used for transfers to the General fund or the Vehicle Title and Registration System Replacement and Maintenance Cash Fund at the direction of the			
LB957	Speaker Had	lley	transfers	Appropriations	2/1/2016	Select File	Legislature.		Oppose	

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							2017-18 and each school			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
							fiscal year thereafter, if the			
							formula need calculated for a			
							school district is less than			
							ninety-eight present of the	l		
							formula need for such district			
							immediately preceding the			
							school fiscal year for which aid			
							is being calculated, the			
							formula need for such district			
							shall equal ninety-eight			
							percent of the formula. The			
							effective date of the act for			
							school fiscal year 2016-17 is			
							null and void. Each school			
							district shall have a budget			
							authority for the general fund			
							budget of expenditures equal			
							to the general fund budget of			
							expenditures minus			
							exclusions, except for			
							expenditures to pay for			
							employer contributions to			
							either the school Employees			
					1		Retirement System of the			
							State of Nebraska or the			
							retirement system established			
							pursuant to the Class V			
							School Employees Retirement			
		į					Act. Employee benefit fund		1	
			Chause and alter				cash reserves shall not			
			Change and eliminate				exceed such applicable			
			provisions relating to				allowable reserve percentage.			
			school funding,				For exclusions approved by			
			budgets, and levy				the state board, the board			
B959	Sullivan	Education 2016	authority	Education	2/9/2016		shall establish a schedule for			

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
			Adopt the Transportation Innovation Act and provide transfers from				LB 960 – Transportation Innovation Act is created. Design build is created as an alternative method when considering projects. A transportation infrastructure bank is created from reserved funds in the amount of \$150 million to accelerate projects. A capital improvement program is created as well to speed up capital improvements. The county bridge match program is created for repair and replacement of county bridges. This includes			
LB960	Smith	Brasch 2016	the Cash Reserve Fund	Appropriations	2/16/2016	Select File	matching requirements.		Support	Support

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LB968	Johnson	Agriculture 2016	Change provisions relating to an agriculture promotion and development program	Agriculture	2/16/2016		LB 968 allows the Department of Agriculture to cooperate and coordinate with producer organizations, state and local governments, and public and private economic development entities to identify opportunities for private sector investment in new livestock, dairy, and agricultural commodities processing facilities or expansion or repurposing of existing processing facilities within the state, to actively recruit such processing investment, and to advise and assist local communities where such investment may be sought or considered.		Monitor	
LB976	Seiler		Change provisions relating to jury sequestration	Judiciary		Withdrawn	A court may order that a jury be sequestered during a trial or after final submation by the motion of the court or party if good cause is shown.		Monitor	Support through
LB977	Smith	Telecommunicati	Change provisions relating to implements of husbandry on highways	Transportation & Telecommunications		Select File	LB 977 makes an exemption for the weight and load limitations for a farm tractor, self-propelled equipment, and additional agricultural machinery. The bill includes specific weight limits for the vehicles mentioned in the bill.		Oppose	

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB979	Kuehn		Provide for selection of interchangeable biological products by pharmacists	Health and Human Services	2/5/2016	General File W/AM2139	LB979 – updates Nebraska Statues to allow for the substitution of biologic products only with FDA approved interchangeable biologics. Current state law governs the substitution by pharmacists of generic drugs for their branded counterparts, and similar statutory direction is needed to craft state policy allowing for the substitution of FDA approved interchangeable biologics.		Support	
LB984	Schumache	r	Change provisions relating to mandatory minimum sentencing and sentencing of habitual criminals	Judiciary	2/10/2016		LB 984 – Three judge panel would decide mandatory minimum sentences. A sentencing judge can request the three judge panel to make a finding that a habitual criminal or mandatory minimum sentence would not apply.			
LB986	Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee		Change duties of the Public Employees Retirement Board relating to an annual valuation report and experience study	Retirement	2/5/2016		the director will be provide draft copies of each annual valuation report to the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee and Governor, as required. Copies are deemed confidential. Starting in 2016, and every four years thereafter will request an experience study from the Public Employee retirement board.			

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							LB 989 provides that the Director of Motor Vehicles			
l							shall designate an			
							implementation date, which is on or before January 1, 2020.	ı		
							If the title is electronic, then			
							the following changes may be made; changing the name of			
							an owner, removing the name			
							of an owner, or adding as an owner of the immediate family			
							member of an owner. The			
							department may adopt and			
							promulgate further rules and regulations governing the			į.
							eligibility of dealers to			
							participate in the electronic			
	Î						dealer services system, setting forth practices,			
							procedures, and requirements			
							necessary to implement such			
	15		Change provisions	Transportation 0			system, and setting forth			
			relating to motor	Transportation & Telecommunicati			requirements and practices for			
LB989	Murante		vehicles	ons	2/2/2016		dealers participating in such system.	i		

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LB992	Ebke		Provide a restriction on installment contracts for the purchase of real or personal property by political subdivisions	Government,	2/17/2016		LB 992 states no political subdivision, with statutory authority can enter into an installment contract for the purchase of property, if already an obligation exist of twenty-five million dollars or more from previous contracts. If a debt does exist above twenty-five million dollars, the subdivision cannot enter into a new contract.			Letter in opposition
			Repeal provisions relating to the special				LB 995 local governments would tax cropland based on agricultural value instead of seventy-five percent of the actual value. Bill defines agricultural value as the actual value of land for agricultural and horticultural purposed			

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							LB 998 includes the definition			
							of emergency community			
							crisis center as a medical			
							assistance program. The			
							demand for inpatient			
							behavioral health beds			
							exceeds the supply of such			
							beds in Nebraska. Hospital emergency departments are			
							not equipped to address the			
							behavioral health needs and			
							delays in receiving behavioral			
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							the risk of emotional			
							deterioration. Further,			
			Provide for emergency	18			appropriate, timely resources			
			community crisis				should be available to persons in need of behavioral health.			
			centers and change				The bill calls for an			
			provisions relating to				establishment of five			
			emergency protective	Health and			emergency community crisis			
B998	Schumacher	•	custody	Human Services	2/24/2016		centers across the state.			support

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_B/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB1000	Mello	Speaker Hadley	Require certain law enforcement agencies to adopt policies on the use of body-worn cameras, provide that recordings from such cameras are not public records, and prohibit certain conduct involving such recordings	Judiciary	2/17/2016		LB 1000 – Police departments with body cameras must adopt policies regarding training and equipping cameras, as how to be worn in a prominent place on the uniform. An officer would have to notify an individual they approach that the camera is recording.		Oppose	
LB1001	Ebke		Change provisions relating to a compensation schedule for injuries resulting in disability		2/18/2016	IPP	LB 1001 – adds that loss or loss of means permanent loss of physical function of an arm, a leg, an ear, an eye or nose.		Support	
LB1010	Williams		Change provisions relating to juvenile court petitions	Judiciary	2/17/2016	General File	LB 1010 – Written petition for juvenile court will be signed by the county attorney setting forth the facts. The petition would replace the verification of affidavit.			

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.B1023	Ebke		Require development of treatment protocols for and a needs assessment of committed offenders and correctional facilities	Judiciary	2/4/2016		LB 1023 – Corrections and the division of behavioral health of DHHS would develop protocols for coordination of mental health and substance abuse treatment for a committed offender during incarceration until discharge. Protocols will cover pre-release planning; mental health and substance abuse treatment needs, supervisor plan and necessary community support services. Community based services can be used during incarceration. Corrections will provide to the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature, a needs assessment pertaining to programming in facilities before January 1st of odd numbered years.		Monitor	
B1024	Larson		Change a provision of the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act relating to an interest in a government contract	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/25/2016		LB 1024 – No member of a public official or employer's family may enter into a business contract valued at one hundred thousand dollars in a given year. As of January 1, 2017, and every year thereafter the contract value will be adjusted for inflation.		Monitor	Monitor

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB1031	Hansen		Change the levy authority of railroad transportation safety districts	Revenue	2/25/2016		LB 1031 removes the levy authority away from the county board and places it with the Railroad Transportation Board, which is made up of 3 county board members and 2 city council members. The move would free up two cents to the county board levy authority.		Monitor	
LB1032	McCollister	HHS 2016	Adopt the Transitional Health Insurance Program Act and provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services	Health and Human Services	2/10/2016	with AM2473,	LB 1032 would provide health care coverage to individuals who cannot qualify for medicaid. Medicaid funds would be used to buy private health insurance for those individuals making up one hundred thirty –three percent of the federal poverty level with no insurance. The bill allows for small contributions from enrollees and would take funds from the state health care cash fund to extend coverage up to seventy-seven thousand Nebraskans.		Monitor	Rome testify in support
LB1034	Campbell		Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Children's Commission	Health and Human Services	2/19/2016	General File W/AM2230	Adds juvenile justice to the strategic plan of reform of the Nebraska Child Welfare Commission to review and evaluate the juvenile justice system			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	Position	LC Position
LB1036	Campbell		Change provisions of the Credit Services Organization Act, the Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act, and the Nebraska Installment Loan Act	Banking, Commerce & Insurance	2/1/2016		LB 1036 states notwithstanding any other provisions of law, charge any brokerage fees or any other fees or charges whatsoever in connection with a loan governed b the Nebraska Installment Loan Act. It defines the annual percentage rate, default, and delayed deposit. The Department of Banking and Finance will document each delayed deposit loan transaction by a written agreement signed by both the license and the borrower.			
LB1037	Brasch	Kintner 2016	Change property tax provisions relating to agricultural land and horticultural land	Revenue	2/17/2016	General File	LB1037 strikes land associated with buildings. It excludes wasteland lying in or adjacent to and in common ownership or management with other agricultural land and horticulture land. It does allow farm sites and farm home sites lying in or adjacent to and in common ownership or management with other agricultural land and horticultural land.		Monitor	

#### Kissel/ES Associates Bills of Interest Report Client: LC

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB1042	Friesen		Change provisions relating to tax-increment financing	Urban Affairs	2/9/2016		LB 1042 also changes the property valuation information certified by the Property Tax Administrator to the State Department of Education, which is used to determine the adjusted valuation of school districts for purposes of allocating state aid through the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act. The bill requires that excess valuation for properties that qualify for tax increment financing will be included in the assessed valuation of school districts for state aid purposes.		Monitor	Monitor
LB1044	Ebke		Terminate the Commission of Industrial Relations	Business and Labor	2/22/2016	IPP	LB 1044 would abolish the CIR that was created to resolve labor disputes involving public employees. The bill would continue to protect the right of the public employee in Nebraska to strike in the event of an unresolved dispute.			

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LB1055	Chambers		Open grand jury proceedings to the public as prescribed and change procedures in cases of death during apprehension by law enforcement officers or while in custody		2/24/2016	General File W/AM2257	LB 1055: Permits all proceedings before grand juries to be open to the public. The case shall be treated as an open, ongoing matter until all evidence, reports, and other relevant material, which has been assembled are transferred to a prosecuting attorney appointed. The court shall appoint a prosecuting attorney who shall be the county attorney or a member of his or her staff who has had at least five years experience in criminal litigation, including felony litigation.		Monitor	Support
LB1058	Crawford		Change provisions relating to enforcement of certain tobacco restriction provisions	Judiciary	2/25/2016		LB 1058 – states with compliance checks, an individual between the ages of fourteen and eighteen years of age may be authorized to assist officers or private contractors with compliance checks. The individual under the age of eighteen and older than 14 years has to be an employee, intern or volunteer with a local or state law agency.		Monitor	

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC	NACO Position	LC Position
LB1059	Crawford		Require certain disclosures under the Community Development Law and the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act	Urban Affairs	2/2/2016	Final Reading	LB 1059 – Prior to a redevelopment contract, the developer has to indicate if he or she has or intends to file for tax incentives under the Nebraska Advantage act; seeking a refund from the city's local option sales tax; estimate of total amount he or she is expecting from tax incentives; and if the project has been approved under the Nebraska Advantage act.	1	Support	

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Client: LC

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							LB 1063 Requires the Property Tax Administrator to certify the student support aid for each local system to the county clerk of each county with territory in the local system and to the Auditor of Public Accounts on or before August 10, 2017, and on or before August 10 of each year thereafter. The county clerk of each county with territory in the local system shall calculate the student support aid reduction to the maximum levy pursuant to section 77-3442 for such local system which shall equal the student support aid certified pursuant to section 79-1022 for the affected school fiscal year, with any adjustments resulting			
B1063	Sullivan		Change provisions relating to state aid to schools		2/9/2016		from the final calculation of state aid pursuant to section 79-1065 for prior school fiscal years, divided by the taxable valuation of property subject to the levy in the local system and then divided again by one hundred to arrive at the reduction to the maximum levy per one hundred dollars of			

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LB1094	Judiciary Co	n Seiler 2016	Change provisions relating to evidence, sentencing, certain criminal penalties, criminal mischief, assault, theft, forgery, and probation	Judiciary	2/4/2016	General File W/AM2337	LB 1094 addresses matters extending from LB 605. The bill addresses custodial sanctions; administrative sanctions; defined duties of a probationer officer when determining a possible violation of probation and court proceedings. LB 1094 repeals section (5) of LB 605 relating to duties of a probationer officer, setting forth new language.			
LB1097	Morfeld		Change provisions relating to sexual assault forensic testing	Judiciary	2/18/2016		LB1097 - would create a fund to collect federal money and for an administrator for that fund to pay expenses for medical exams for rape victims. The fund would cover costs for physical trauma exams, patient interviews, collection and evaluation of evidence, emergency room and laboratory fees. Victims would also get emotional and mental health care. Medical personnel would also be trained in practices for collecting evidence for prosecutions.			
LB1102	Davis		Authorize legislative performance audits of tax-increment financing projects	Executive Board	2/5/2016		LB 1102 – includes any authority as defined in section 18-2103 that uses taxincrement financing as authorized in section. 18-2147			

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LB1103	Schumacher		Change provisions relating to medicaid reimbursements, provide for a lien, and change estate procedures	Judiciary	2/3/2016	General File W/AM2394	LB 1103 requires a notice shall be provided to the department in a manner and at an address designated by the department, which manner may include email. Any notice that fails to meet this requirement is void and constitutes neither notice to the department nor a waiver application for purposes of any statue or regulation that requires that a notice or waiver application be provided to the department.			
L <b>B110</b> 7	Garrett		Create the Nebraska Election System Initiative	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/24/2016		LB 1107 states the current vote tabulation and ballot-marking equipment in Nebraska will soon be outdate. The bill would establish the Nebraska Election System. The goal is to examine the voting process, in Nebraska. Review methods of polling sites, early voting, equipment; disabled, minority and young voters; campaigns; and cost of replacing current system.			



# LB 960- NEBRASKA TRANSPORTATION INNOVATION ACT MAJOR PROVISIONS

#### AS AMENDED BY THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE- AM2418

#### **Establishment of the Transportation Innovation Bank (TIB)**

Creates the TIB Fund

- -LB 610 (2015) revenues from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2033
- -\$50 million transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund (to be done by June 15, 2016)
- -The TIB sunsets June 30, 2033. Any unobligated funds remaining in the TIB shall be transferred to the Cash Reserve Fund.

#### **Transportation Innovation Bank Components**

1) Accelerated State Highway Capital Improvement Program

The focus of the program is to be completion of the designated Expressway System and federally- designated High Priority Corridors, but can include other State Highway System capital improvement projects.

2) County Bridge Match Program

Up to \$40 million. Program is to promote innovative solutions and provide funding assistance to counties to accelerate the repair and replacement of deficient county bridges. Participation of counties is voluntary. NDOR is to consult with NACO in the development of the program and present detail of the program to the Appropriations and Transportation Committees by December 1, 2016. The program terminates June 30, 2023.

3) Economic Opportunity Program

(Up to \$20 million) The program will finance transportation improvements that will assist in attracting new business and business expansion, increase

employment and investment, and to revitalize rural and distressed areas of the state. Projects approved must justified through an economic impact analysis. The NDOR will consult with the Department of Economic Development, the League of Municipalities, and other interested parties. The NDOR shall present details and the program outline to the Appropriations and Transportation Committees by December 1, 2016.

#### **Alternative Contracting Methods**

Sections 8-23 establish authority for the NDOR to utilize Design-Build and Construction Manager/ General Contractor methods for contracting projects.

#### Expressway System- "Stretch Goal"

Amends section 39-1365 and adds a legislative intent statement that the accelerated completion of the expressway system, as the system was designated on January 1, 2016, shall be completed prior to June 30, 2033.

#### **Progress Reports to the Legislature**

In addition to the Annual Needs Study Report to the Legislature, LB 960 details new information that the NDOR shall provide and report to the Legislature no later than December 1 of each year:

Progress towards completion of the designated expressway system, and if work is on track to complete the system prior to June 30, 2033; and

A review of the Transportation Infrastructure Bank and the bank's component programs.

LB 960 contains the Emergency Clause.



#### LB 1032 - The Transitional Health Insurance Program Act

#### What is LB 1032 - The Transitional Health Insurance Program Act?

LB 1032 creates the Transitional Health Insurance Program (or "T-HIP"). T-HIP is a uniquely Nebraskan alternative to Medicaid expansion that provides nearly 97,000 currently uninsured Nebraskans with access to health coverage. T-HIP ensures personal responsibility, utilizes the private market, and encourages workforce development.

#### How does LB 1032 close the coverage gap?

T-HIP would seek a federal waiver to use Medicaid dollars to create an alternative program that utilizes the private insurance market. T-HIP allows for health insurance coverage in three ways, each catered to the needs of a specific group of enrollees<sup>1</sup>:

Private Marketplace Coverage – Medicaid dollars are used to enroll the majority of T-HIP participants into private insurance plans. This program supports continuity of coverage and a smooth transition for enrollees working their way up the economic ladder to access private coverage individually or through an employer.

Employer-Sponsored Coverage – Medicaid-eligible enrollees with an offer of cost-effective employer-sponsored coverage<sup>2</sup> can receive help purchasing that coverage. In addition to extending coverage to employees through private plans, this approach ensures that businesses continue to offer health insurance.

Individuals exempt from being enrolled into premium assistance, including medically frail enrollees<sup>3</sup> or people with chronic conditions, will receive Medicaid coverage through the *Innovation Health Insurance Program*.

#### How long will the program last?

T-HIP will be a pilot program that *automatically ends after three years without legislative action*. This provides a reasonable time frame to look at the effectiveness of the program both for its participants and within the state's budget. All enrollees will be informed when they enroll that the program will be time-limited. Prior to the end of the program, an independent consultant will assess how the program has worked, including analyzing savings and revenue generation.

#### How will we pay for LB 1032?

T-HIP will have *no General Fund impact*, by using \$63 million from the Health Care Cash Fund to pay for the state's share of the cost of the program. Federal dollars will pay for the remainder of the cost of providing coverage under LB 1032. The federal government pays 95% of the costs in 2017, 94% in 2018, 93% in 2019, and 90% thereafter. More than \$2 billion in *our* tax dollars would be returned to our state in these funds between now and 2020, which we could invest in our economy.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>2</sup> LB 1032, Sec. 3(1). For employer-sponsored coverage to be considered cost-effective, an employer must pay no less than 50% of the total cost of the employee's coverage.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>LB 1032, Sec. 4(1).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Under federal law, enrollees determined by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services to be "medically frail" cannot be enrolled in premium assistance. Medically frail enrollees include those with serious and complex medical conditions, physical or mental disabilities, disabling mental disorders, or those with chronic health conditions.

LB 472 Fiscal Note, Rev. 3, March 31, 2015

#### Does LB 1032 require enrollees to contribute to the cost of their care?

Yes. T-HIP requires most enrollees to contribute 2% of their monthly household income as a premium. While enrollees cannot lose coverage for nonpayment, unpaid premiums are a collectable state debt. Additionally, individuals that use the emergency room (ER) for a non-emergency will also face a copayment of up to \$50. Enrollees are not responsible for any deductibles or other cost sharing on the private plans.<sup>5</sup>

#### How does LB 1032 help our overall health care system?

T-HIP incorporates innovation and health care best practices. It utilizes patient-centered medical homes and health homes<sup>6</sup> for all enrollees and requires integrated providers and services. Additionally, the bill encourages access to primary care providers.<sup>7</sup>

#### How will passing LB 1032 benefit our state's economy?

LB 1032 would allow Nebraska to stop the flow of our tax dollars to other states. We can instead bring our taxes back to boost our own economy and improve health of our people. Between now and 2020, a program like T-HIP would generate almost \$175 million in Nebraska state revenue and create an estimated 10,000 sustained jobs.<sup>8</sup>

#### How does LB 1032 encourage employment and education and skills training?

Under LB 1032, enrollees can be referred to various education and employment programs to help them advance in their careers. Additionally, LB 1032 creates the Transitional Health Insurance Employment Program, which provides education and training for enrollees to gain skills they can use in in-demand sectors in our state's economy. Therefore, LB 1032 provides enrollees with the tools they need to move up the economic ladder and transition into the private insurance market.

#### What's the bottom line?

LB 1032 is a time-limited program that uses the private insurance market, encourages personal responsibility, promotes increased employability, brings billions of federal dollars into our state, <u>and has no general fund impact.</u> And it will let nearly 100,000 Nebraskans finally afford health coverage, addressing what everyone agrees is one of our state's biggest problems.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>LB 1032, Sec. 5(1). Enrollees with incomes above 50% FPL are responsible for contributions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Patient-centered medical homes and health homes are innovative ways of structuring primary care that emphasize a patient-centered approach, high quality coordinated care, and communication between providers.

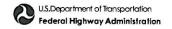
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Allan Jenkins & Ron Konecny, "Nebraska Medicaid Expansion," University of Nebraska-Kearney, Apr. 1, 2015, p. 40, http://www.nebraskahospitals.org/file\_download/inline/9eb5a4d7-8725-4385-959f-0f404c895128; Jim P. Stimpson, "Medicaid Expansion in Nebraska Under the Affordable Care Act," UNMC Center for Health Policy, Aug. 2012, http://www.unmc.edu/publichealth/chp/research/medicaidexpansion.pdf.

<sup>9</sup> LB 1032, Sec. 7.



Mike Owen, Engineer VII Lorraine Legg, Engineer V Andrew Mansfield, Engineer III

Thursday March 17th, 2016











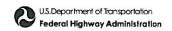
## PURPOSE AND NEED



### **Project Need:**

- Projected demands on Lincoln's transportation network from increased regional population and traffic growth.
- Existing conflicts between local and regional trips along N-2 through Lincoln.
- Significant truck volumes passing through but not stopping in Lincoln, particularly when traveling on a facility with multiple signalized intersections and access points.













# PROJECT SCHEDULE



JUN 2013 Public Meeting

JAN 2016 Received Concurrence from COE on Selected Alignment

Finishing Environmental Studies, Refining the Design and

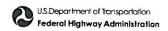
Meeting with Project Stakeholders

LATE 2016 | Planned Public Hearing

SUMMER 2017 | Anticipated Final EA

2017-2019 Anticipated ROW Design and Acquisition

2020 Anticipated Construction Start







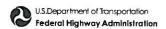




## **PROJECT OVERVIEW**



- South side of Lincoln (~Half mile south of Saltillo Rd) connecting US-77 and N-2
- 4-lane divided freeway with full access control
- 54' depressed grass median (accounts for future 6-lane divided segment with barrier wall)
- Interchanges at: Saltillo, US-77, 27<sup>th</sup>, 68<sup>th</sup>, 84<sup>th</sup>, 120<sup>th</sup>/N-2
- Build Nebraska Act, Tier 3 (2020 2023 time frame)
- ~\$200 million construction cost
  - 80% State/Federal funds, 20% City funds



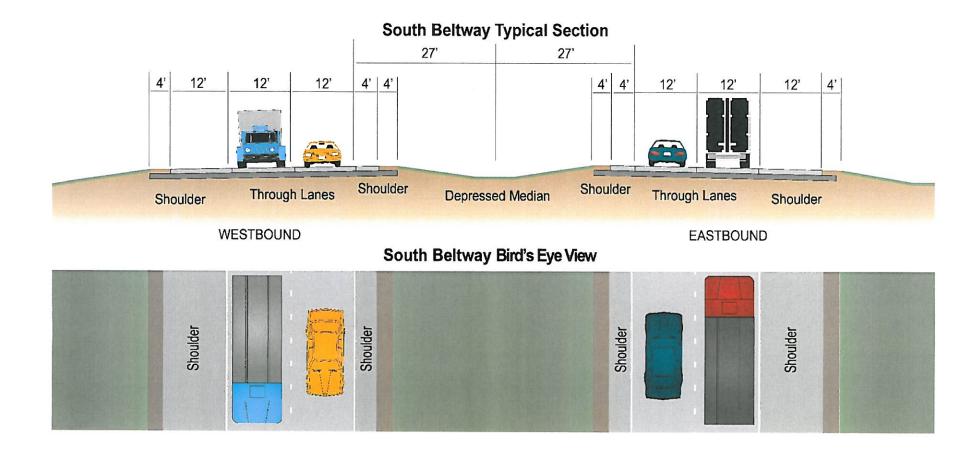


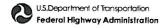






# PROPOSED TYPICAL SECTION



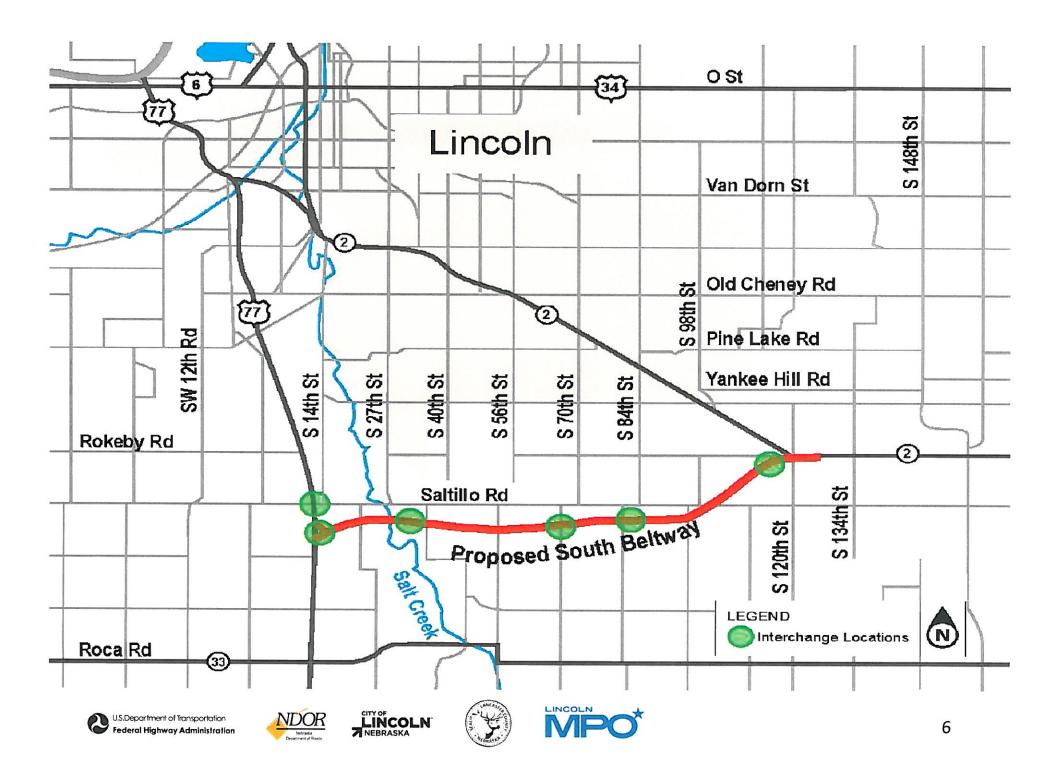








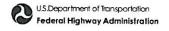




## LANCASTER COUNTY AGREEMENT



- The Agreement will outline:
  - Proposed construction on county roads
  - Changes in the county road network
  - Funding and maintenance responsibilities for lighting, traffic control, county road closures, MS4 treatments, etc.







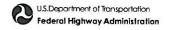




# **DESIGN DETAILS**



Preliminary Project Mosaic Review

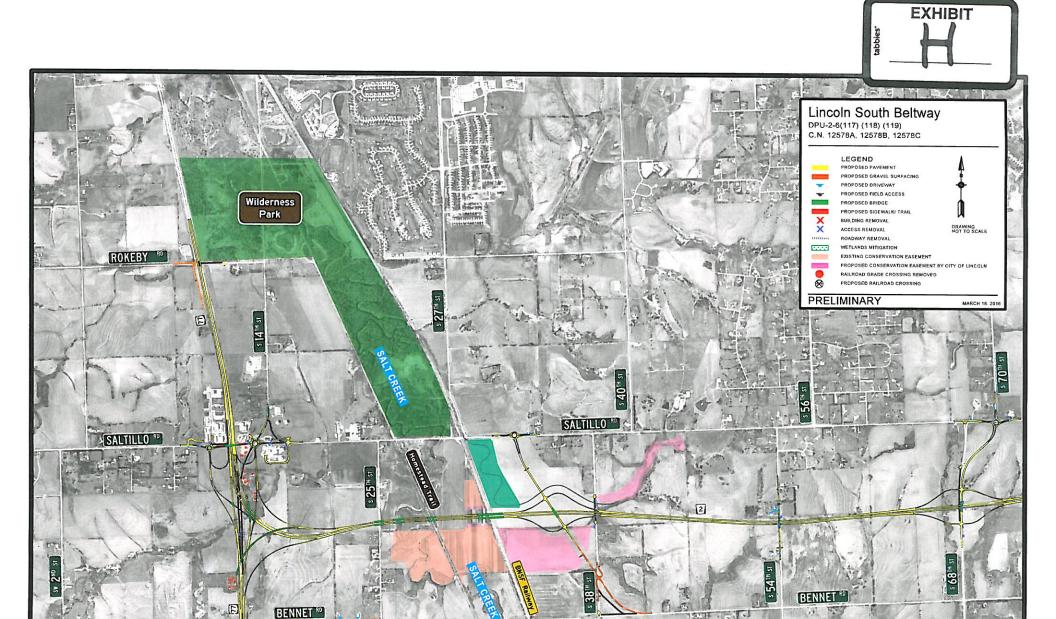


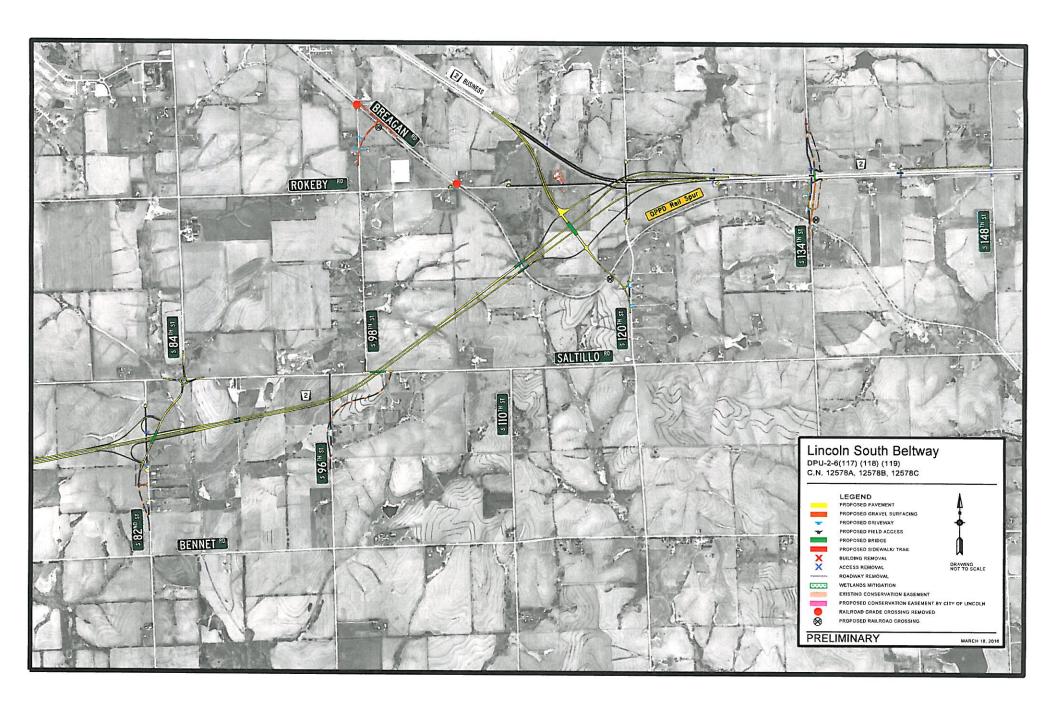
















#### Nebraska Department of Roads

# Lincoln South Beltway DPU-LIN-2-6(120) CN 12758D

As of January 2016



#### Location

- · Lancaster County south of Lincoln.
- A new, 11-mile segment, beginning on US-77 between Bennett Rd. and Saltillo Rd. and proceeding east, diverging to the northeast at S. 82<sup>nd</sup> St. towards S. 120<sup>th</sup> St. and ending at N-2.

#### Purpose & Need

- Established in the 2002 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS); the purpose is to improve east-west connectivity for regional and interstate travel, particularly freight operations, and to reduce conflicts between local and through traffic along existing urban streets.
- This project is needed because:
  - Increased travel demand on Lincoln's transportation network from regional population and traffic growth.
  - o Potential impacts of conflicts between local and regional trips along N-2 through Lincoln.
  - Unique challenges presented by trucks passing through but not stopping in Lincoln, particularly when traveling on a facility with multiple signalized intersections and access points.

#### Scope of Work and Current Estimate

- · New four-lane divided freeway.
- Interchanges are proposed at: US-77, Saltillo Rd., S. 27<sup>th</sup> St., S. 68<sup>th</sup> St., S. 84<sup>th</sup> St., and N-2/S. 120<sup>th</sup> St.
- Overpass structures are proposed at: S. 25<sup>th</sup> St., the Homestead Trail, the BNSF Railroad, S. 54<sup>th</sup> St., Saltillo Rd. (east of S. 98<sup>th</sup> St.), the OPPD Rail Spur, and S. 134<sup>th</sup> St.
- · Acquisition of additional permanent property rights will be required.
- The roadway engineering would be to State Expressway standards with access at interchanges only (freeway).
- The estimated cost for the South Beltway is approximately \$200 million, and would come from federal, state, and local funding.
- · Primary funding source would be Build Nebraska Act funds.
- · The city of Lincoln's share is 20% of the total project cost.

#### History of the Project Development

- The FHWA approved the Final EIS for the south and east beltway in 2002.
- The NDOR conducted Value Engineering (VE) studies on the South Beltway in 2003 and 2004.
- The NDOR presented a modified highway plan including an updated US-77 interchange at a public hearing in 2005.
- The NDOR presented an updated N-2 interchange at a public hearing in 2007.
- · The project was shelved in 2009 due to lack of funding.
- The NDOR now has a state funding source with Build Nebraska Act funds, coupled with federal aid and local funds. With funds obligated for the South Beltway, the project development resumed in the beginning of 2013.

#### Status of the Project

- A Project Team, comprised of a cross section of NDOR and Consulting Professionals, has been established to complete an Environmental Assessment (EA).
- Engineering and environmental work continue on this important and complex project. The Lincoln South Beltway project team continues to make progress and a substantial amount of engineering and environmental fieldwork has been completed. A Nebraska Department of Roads "Plan in Hand Meeting" was held in late November to review the highway design and verify features in the field. Residents in the area might have noticed staking and flags placed ahead of the field verification.

A plan-in-hand meeting and field inspection is required on all capital improvement projects. This inspection typically takes place when plans reach development milestones. This inspection identifies substantive design issues and serves as a check of progress. Issues that are discussed and examined include additional survey needs, roadway

alignment, environmental resources, right-of-way impacts, utility issues, traffic maintenance and phasing, constructability issues, surfacing types and specific design questions. Following the plan-in-hand meeting, a report is prepared to document the review and update construction timing, funding, cost estimates and other project milestones.

Environmental impacts continue to be evaluated. The team is working alongside environmental
regulatory agencies to finalize wetland delineations, receive concurrence on alternatives
evaluated and begin permitting. A revised schedule of project milestones will be shared in the
coming months.

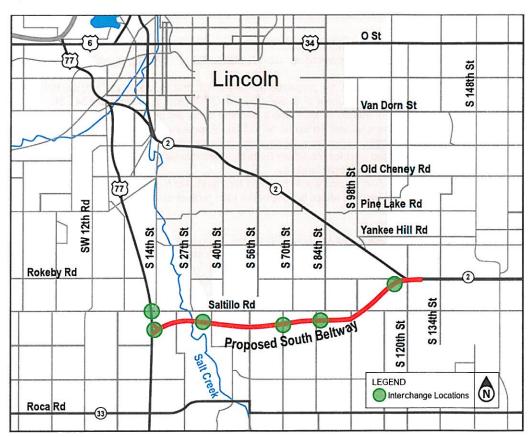
#### **Next Steps**

- · Completion of the Draft EA in the summer of 2016.
- Prepare and hold a public meeting to update the community on the project and receive comments on the Draft EA in the fall of 2016.
- The project is on target for the next phases to begin, including final design and the right-of-way
  acquisition process in approximately 2017 and 2018, followed by construction starting as early as
  2020.

#### Construction

- Construction is scheduled to begin between 2020 and 2023, and could take five to seven years to complete.
- · Funding has been identified through the first phase of the Build Nebraska Act.

#### **Location Map**



#### Ann C. Taylor

From:

Todd J. Wiltgen

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Thursday, March 17, 2016 10:21 AM

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Ann C. Taylor Commish

Subject:

Fwd: Notes from Meeting

I am forwarding the email I discussed during our conversation about electronic records.

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From: "Todd J. Wiltgen" < TWiltgen@lancaster.ne.gov>

Date: March 16, 2016 at 12:53:48 PM CDT

To: "Erik.Willsey@kapishna.com" < Erik.Willsey@kapishna.com >

Subject: Fwd: Notes from Meeting

Good Afternoon Erik,

I'm following up on my request to speak with you by telephone. Below is a forwarded email from our new electronic records administrator that provides some context for my request. An agency head and elected official have expressed some concerns about HPRM.

My questions involve the safeguards in the HPRM system to protect its integrity. Specifically, what protocols exist to verify that the HPRM administrator does not abuse their administrative rights and access sensitive records? Can the primary user (aka super users) for each elected official's office or department run a report (at anytime) to verify that the HPRM administrator has not altered caveats permitting unauthorized access to their agency or department records in HPRM? Can those reports be altered or circumvented by the HPRM administrator?

Please let me know at your earliest convenience. Thank you in advance.

Todd Wiltgen Lancaster County Commissioner, District 5 (402) 304-7685

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FYI. Pls scroll down to notes.

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Thank you all for taking the time to meet with me this morning, I hope that it was informative and I look forward to working with you all going forward,

Best, Alison

Meeting Notes March 15, 2016

Present:
Roma Amundson
Joe Kelly
Sheli Schindler
Dan Nolte
Alison Lotto
Kerry Egan

- Administrators are subject to caveats are similar to other current users—i.e.
  cannot see any records for certain departments. The caveats provide security
  for certain record types within departments or for the records of entire
  departments to be restricted to certain people. We can provide user by user
  access to records, and are able to include users inside and outside of particular
  departments depending on the preferences of each department head.
- 2. The Records Administrator will have the ability to turn on and off a caveat—but will only do so with express written permission from a department head in order to fix a particular administrative problem.
- 3. The Kapish Consultant previously gave an example of working with an 8 billion dollar private company where certain private records are classified from him as an administrator. He does not regularly have access to those records. If there is a major issue, they contact him and he attempts to fix it on site with the client. If that does not work he can temporarily turn on his access. They can then audit

his activity in the system and confirm that he was only accessing what he had permission to access.

- 4. The proposed approach will require training for a super user in certain departments to manage certain types of records and be involved in deletion etc. In sit downs with each department we will identify a key user and the Records Administrator will work with them one on one.
- 5. Records Administrator should be viewed as a technology support administrator and a records management consultant and will not be viewing records unless explicitly instructed to do so. The Administrator will not perform routine checks or review of records in any departments unless asked. Priority will be set up of classifications and record groups, training of users, and system management.
- 6. As a part of the daily work of the system, an audit is run of all users that is checked by the Administrator. Super users can also be trained to run audits on your records so that access by an administrator or other staff members can be monitored.
- 7. Goal is to increase access and use of the HPRM system while also improving electronic records management across the county. The hope is that by using the technology we have available and increasing the understanding and ability of the users, we will be able to improve records management standards and compliance and assist every department in meeting their goals.

Alison Lotto Records Administrator

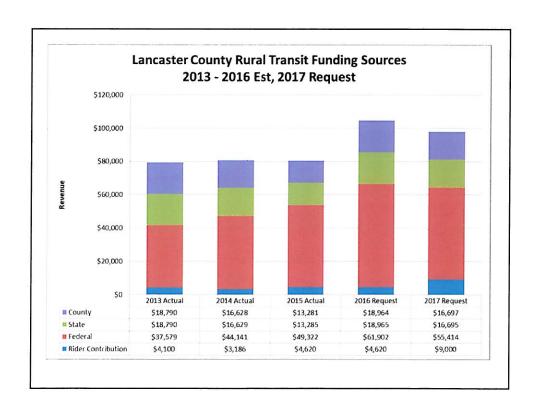
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### **Cost Share**

Non Operating

Federal – 80%

State - 10%

County - 10%

Operating

Federal - 50%

State - 25%

County - 25%

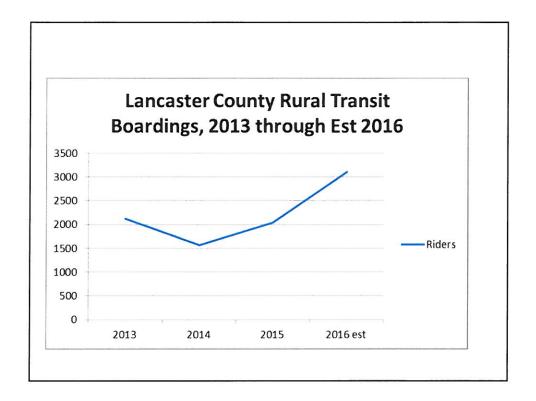
### Rural Transit Fare Comparison

	Within Community One	Between	
	Way	Communities	In County
Butler	\$2.00	(0. 100000000 (0. 50000	
Cab	\$1.68 - \$2.31 per mile		
Gage	\$2.00	\$4.00	
Otoe	\$2.00	\$4.00	
Saline	\$2.00		\$6.00
Saunders	\$1.00	\$2.00	
Seward	\$2.00	\$ 3 - \$4	

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\$2.00

Aferhours \$ 5.00



### Plan to Continue Ridership Increases

- Increased promotion. Promote all ages use.
- Extend days if service throughout the county with increased hours after 5 pm and weekends.
- · Review of rates
- Adjust routes North and South to increase opportunities for ridership

### Request

- - 12% in County Match \$ 16,695
- - 12% in State Match \$ 16,695
- - 11% in Federal \$ 55,414

# **Budget Summary – Operating and Nonoperating Costs**

PROJECT INCOME SOURCE	IF CONTRACT (e.g., Meals on Wheels, After School Program), WITH WHOM	EXHIBIT	AMOUNT
Regular Fare	Public Transit Scheduled Route Fares	LYMBH	\$8,000.00
Regular Fare	Public Transit by "Expressed Need" Trips	<b>L</b>	\$1,000.00
Regular Fare			
	Total Project Income		\$9,000.00

Fed	eral Reimbursement Calculation – Operating Costs	quantil .	<b>Y</b>
1	Operating Costs (Total from Page 2)	\$	61,097
2	Project Income (From above)	\$	9,000
3	Estimated Net Operating Deficit (Line 1 minus Line 2)	\$	52,097
4	Federal Funds Requested (50% of Line 3)	\$	26,048
5	Remaining Net Deficit (Line 3 minus Line 4)	\$	26,048
Stat	e Reimbursement Calculation – Operating Costs		
6	State Funds Requested (50% of Line 5)	\$	13,024
7	Local Matching Funds Required (Line 3 minus Line 4 minus Line 6)	\$	13,025

Fed	eral Reimbursement Calculation – Non-Operating Costs		
8	Non-Operating Costs (Total from Page 3)	\$	36,708
9	Federal Funds Requested (80% of Line 8)	\$	29,366
Stat	te Reimbursement Calculation – Non-Operating Costs		
10	State Funds Requested (10% of Line 8)	\$	3,670
11	Local Matching Funds Required (Line 8 minus Line 9 minus Line 10)	\$	3,672
What a	re your sources of local match (City, County, HHS, or your own entity, etc.)?:	Ψ	3,072

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### PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OPERATING ASSISTANCE FUNDS REQUESTED

(The cells below are locked. They will autopopulate with information provided on Page 4.)

Federal: \$55,414 State: \$16,695 Local Match: \$16,697



### 5311 Funding Application for Public Transportation Operating Assistance – Phase I Application Budget Template – Do Not Submit this Form to NDOR



### **Operating Budget**

Costs eligible for 50% Federal and 25% State reimbursement, 25% Local Match

	Personnel C	osts	
a	b	С	d
ELIGIBLE EXPENSES	SALARIES	FRINGE	TOTAL ELIGIBLE COSTS
Driver(s)	\$36,000.00	\$8,200.00	\$44,200.00
Dispatcher(s)	\$7,097.00	\$1,400.00	\$8,497.00
Other Personnel (explain)			\$0.00
Fuel and Oil			\$8,400.00
Other Operating Costs		201	\$0.00
		TOTAL:	\$61,097.00

## **Non-Operating Budget**

Costs eligible for 80% Federal and 10% State reimbursement, 10% Local Match

	Personnel Costs	•	
а	b	С	d
ELIGIBLE EXPENSE	SALARIES	FRINGE	TOTAL ELIGIBLE COSTS
Project (Transit) Manager	\$8,498.00	\$1,600.00	\$10,098.00
Other Administrative Staff (explain below)	\$11,000.00	\$1,250.00	\$12,250.00
Insurance (other than health)			
Building Rent			\$1,660.00
Building Utilities			
Building Maintenance (labor and parts)			\$0.00
Vehicle Maintenance (labor and parts)			\$4,200.00
Vehicle Insurance			\$1,500.00
Marketing			\$5,000.00
Office Supplies			\$25.00
Memberships			\$200.00
Travel			\$500.00
Public Hearing Notices			\$125.00
Internet Connection			\$0.00
Phones (landline or cellular)			\$750.00
Drug and Alcohol Testing		August 1997 August 1997	\$0.00
Other Non-Operating Expenses			\$400.00
		TOTAL:	\$36,708.00

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Prioritized action steps with one click-access to educational video content makes learning easy

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