

# LEGISLATIVE BULLETIN

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### ITEMS OF INTEREST TO MUNICIPALITIES

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- **LB 224:** League supports bill to adopt the 'Aid to Municipalities Act' to provide grants to pay for infrastructure projects within cities and villages
- **LB 706:** League supports bill authorizing NDOT to use bond financing to accelerate completion of the expressway system and other highway construction projects identified in the Build Nebraska Act
- **LB 61:** League supports removal of government broadband barriers
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NOT ALL ITEMS OF INTEREST ARE INCLUDED ON THIS LIST.  
ALSO SEE THE REMAINDER OF THE LEGISLATIVE BULLETIN.



*Sen. Myron Dorn gave his opening remarks to the Urban Affairs Committee on Feb. 21 in support of LB 45 to create the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Grant Program to assist municipalities in addressing dilapidated commercial properties. League photo.*



## **LB 45: Urban Affairs hears support for LB 45**

**L**B 45, introduced by **Sen. Myron Dorn**, establishes the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Grant Program. Cities of the first class, second class and villages may apply for a grant to demolish dilapidated commercial property, with priority given to cities of the second class and villages.

LB 45 is the result of several meetings held over the fall with State Senators, municipalities, economic development districts, League staff and other interested parties.

At the hearing on LB 45, the **City of Hebron**, the **City of Geneva**, and the **City of Beatrice** testified in favor of the bill presenting excellent testimony on how their municipalities will be improved by passage of LB 45. The testifiers discussed how this is an economic development issue for their cities and that demolition of buildings is often too expensive for the smaller municipalities to undertake.

Thanks to Sen. Dorn and his legislative

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*Thanks to Jana Tietjen, City Clerk of Hebron, for testifying on Feb. 21 before the Urban Affairs Committee in support of LB 45. League photo.*



*Above: Thanks to Kyle Svec, City Administrator of Geneva, for testifying on Feb. 21 before the Urban Affairs Committee in support of LB 45 while Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh looks at photos of dilapidated commercial properties sent to the League from municipalities across the state. Below: Thanks to Tobias Tempelmeyer, City Administrator of Beatrice, for testifying before the Urban Affairs Committee on Feb. 21 in support of LB 45. League photos.*







*Thanks to Mark Stursma, Papillion's Deputy Administrator of Community Development, for testifying at the Urban Affairs Committee Hearing on Feb. 21 in support of LB 224. League photo.*

## LB 224: League supports bill to adopt the 'Aid to Municipalities Act' to provide grants to pay for infrastructure projects within cities and villages

**T**hanks to Omaha **Sen. Terrell McKinney**, Chair of the Urban Affairs Committee, for introducing **LB 224** to adopt the "Aid to Municipalities Act" to provide grants to pay for infrastructure projects within cities and villages. LB 224 would appropriate \$15 million annually. The Nebraska Dept. of Economic Development could approve applications but in no case could

any grant exceed \$5 million. LB 224 defines infrastructure project to mean: *"Infrastructure project means any of the following projects, or any combination thereof, to be owned or operated by a municipality: Solid waste management facilities; wastewater, storm water, and water treatment works and systems, water distribution facilities, and water resources projects, including, but not limited to,*

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*Sen. Terrell McKinney  
District 11*



**Above left:** Thanks to Rick Hoppe, City Administrator of Ralston, for testifying in support of LB 224 at the hearing on Feb. 21. Omaha Senator Terrell McKinney, Chair of the Urban Affairs Committee, sat in the audience listening to the testimony since he introduced LB 224; Omaha Senator Megan Hunt, Vice Chair of the Committee, presided at the hearing. **Above right:** Thanks to Tom Ourada, City Administrator of Crete, for testifying before the Urban Affairs Committee on Feb. 21 in support of LB 224. League photos.

## LB 706: League supports bill authorizing NDOT to use bond financing to accelerate completion of the expressway system and other highway construction projects identified in the Build Nebraska Act

Thanks to Columbus **Sen. Mike Moser** for introducing **LB 706** to authorize the issuance of highway bonds under the Nebraska Highway Bond Act and amend provisions of the Build Nebraska Act to accelerate completion of highway construction projects, especially the expressway system.

The hearing was held Feb. 22 before the Revenue Committee. In his introductory remarks, Sen. Moser offered an amendment (AM450) to the bill. **Gov. Jim Pillen was the first testifier in strong support of LB 706 which would authorize the issuing of bonds, "not to exceed \$450 million in principal and \$35 million in annual debt service for a period of not more than 19 years, in order to accelerate completion of the highway construction projects identified and to be identified for funding under the Build Nebraska Act."** Gov. Pillen and others stressed the need to expedite the completion of the expressway system to facilitate economic development, especially getting products to market. A **League representative** testified that LB 706 is an economic development bill but also would address public safety issues resulting from countless accidents and loss of life due to heavy traffic on highways without an expressway. Proponents of LB



Sen. Mike Moser  
District 22



Gov. Jim Pillen

706 emphasized the historically low interest rates to offset the challenges that construction inflation and uncertain federal highway funding present to adequately finance the state's infrastructure needs.

AM450 provides: *"The proceeds of bonds issued pursuant to subsection (3) of section 39-2223 which are credited to the fund shall be used as follows: (a) At least seventy-five percent of the proceeds from such bonds shall be used, as determined by the department, for construction of the expressway system*

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## LB 61: League supports removal of government broadband barriers

On Feb. 21, the Legislature's Transportation and Telecommunications Committee held a hearing on **LB 61** introduced by **Sen. Tom Brandt** of Plymouth. LB 61 would eliminate most of the barriers and impediments to public development of dark fiber infrastructure. Current barriers to public entities leasing publicly owned dark fiber unless broadband service is provided at levels below at 25 megabits per second for downloading and 3 megabits per second for uploading, include:

- Fifty percent of the profit earned by the public entity under a lease of dark fiber needs to be remitted to the State Treasurer. Profit earned by the public entity means the lease price less the cost of infrastructure deployment.
- LB 61 was strongly supported by the **League, the Omaha Public Power District, the Nebraska Power Association, the Nebraska Rural Electric Association, and the Nebraska Association of County Officials.** The bill also was strongly supported by the **Nebraska Farm Bureau, the Nebraska Corn Growers Association, Nebraska Pork Producers Association, the Nebraska Farmers Unions** and



Sen. Tom Brandt  
District 32

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*pumping stations, transmission lines, and mains and their appurtenances; hazardous waste disposal systems; resource recovery systems; airports; port facilities; buildings and capital equipment used in the operations and activities of municipal government and to provide services to the residents of the municipality; convention and tourism facilities; redevelopment projects as defined in section 18-2103; and mass transit and other transportation systems, including parking facilities and **excluding public highways and bridges and municipal roads, streets, and bridges.**"*

Thanks to the following municipal officials and others who testified with a **League representative** in strong support of LB 224: **Tom Ourada**, City Administrator of Crete; **Mark Stursma**, Deputy Administrator of Papillion; **Rick Hoppe**, City Administrator of Ralston; **Eric Gerrard**, City Lobbyist of Lincoln; **Jack Cheloha**, Assistant City Attorney and Lobbyist of Omaha; **Don Wesely**, representing the Greater Cities of Nebraska; **Bruce Boyer**, Lincoln Chamber of Commerce; and **Ward (Fred) Hoppe**, Hoppe Law Firm, representing Home Builders Association of Lincoln.

## Broadband

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other farm groups. **Allo, the Nebraska Economic Development Association**, and groups representing rural health and others also supported LB 61.

The supporters very effectively made the case that rural Nebraska is growing impatient that private communications companies have not



*(Left to right): Tom Ourada, Crete City Administrator; Mark Stursma, Papillion's Deputy Administrator of Community Development; and Rick Hoppe, Ralston City Administrator, stopped by the League Office on Feb. 21 before heading to the Capitol to testify in support of LB 224. League photo.*

Thanks to **Lance Hedquist**, City Administrator of South Sioux City, who attended the hearing but had to leave before testifying due to another commitment.

The League representative testified in support of the bill on behalf of the League and the **Nebraska Economic Development Association (NEDA)**. The League representative distributed to committee members a multi-page document outlining the cuts and ultimate elimination of "**state aid**" in 2011 due to passage of LB 383. The document also outlined the series of cuts resulting in the elimination of funds previously allocated to the **Municipal Infrastructure Redevelopment Fund (MIRF)**. Of course, there also have been a series of cuts to the **Municipal Equalization**

### Fund (MEF).

As Mark Stursma emphasized economic development cannot occur without adequate infrastructure, the cost of which determines whether or not a project proceeds. Tom Ourada informed the committee that Crete's budget process is "constantly a balance of maintaining resident affordability while providing expected services and maintaining compliance with local, state and federal regulations." Tom also outlined various infrastructure projects needed in Crete, including a need to construct a large sewer lift station and force main in order to serve properties that have requested or should be annexed in the near future. ■

brought broadband services to much of rural Nebraska and that if a public entity is willing to assist in providing that service then the Legislature needs to remove those barriers.

LB 61 was opposed by the Nebraska Telecommunications Association, Lumen (formerly CenturyLink), Charter Communications and a group representing some smaller

telecommunications companies.

Sen Bruce Bostelman repeatedly challenged opponents on why they supported bills giving their companies increased access to local government-owned electric poles and underground right-of-way but opposed the opportunity to access local government dark fiber. ■

## NDOT

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and federally designated high priority corridors; and (b) The remaining proceeds shall be used to pay for surface transportation projects of the highest priority as determined by the department.” **AM450 also extends the Build Nebraska Act from July 1, 2033, to July 1, 2042.** The Build Nebraska Act, introduced by then-Sen. Deb Fischer, was enacted in 2011 to expedite completion of the expressway system by allocating one-

quarter of one percent of state sales tax with 85 percent credited to the State Highway Capital Improvement Fund and 15 percent to the Highway Allocation Fund (which is distributed to municipalities and counties).

Others testifying with a **League representative** in support of LB 706 were **Bryan Slone**, President of the Nebraska Chamber; **David Copple**, Nebraska State Highway Commissioner; **Vicki Kramer**, Director of the Nebraska

Department of Transportation (NDOT); **Tyler Hevlin**, American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC)/Nebraska; **Beth Ferrell**, Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO); and **Bruce Bohrer**, Lincoln Chamber of Commerce. **Tim Hruza** testified in a neutral capacity on behalf of Associated General Contractors (AGC)/Nebraska Chapter. ■

## Urban

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aide, **Janet Anderson**, the Urban Affairs Committee received an electronic version of over 100 pictures of dilapidated property from all over the state. The committee members also were given a handout with a dozen pictures of dilapidated pictures from several municipalities.

Also testifying in support of the legislation was a representative of the **League**, the **Nebraska Economic Development Association**, the **Greater Nebraska Cities**, the **Nebraska Independent Bankers**, and the **Nebraska Farm Bureau**. There were over 30 letters of support submitted including a letter from the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry. There was no opposition to the bill and one neutral letter.

A huge thanks to all the municipalities who testified in favor



*Kyle Svec, City Administrator of Geneva; Sen. Tom Brandt of Plymouth; Jana Tietjen, City Clerk of Hebron; and introducer of LB 45, Sen. Myron Dorn of Adams, pose for a quick picture before heading to the Capitol to testify. Thank you for all of your time and work on this bill! League photo.*

of the bill, sent us pictures of their dilapidated commercial property, and wrote letters of support for LB 45. We are so grateful for your engagement. Also, a huge thanks to Sen. Dorn and his staff for

introducing the bill and putting together all the information for the Urban Affairs Committee members. ■

**NEBRASKA UNICAMERAL LEGISLATURE  
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**SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE HEARINGS**

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**Tuesday, February 28, 2023**

**Appropriations  
Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.**

Agency 28		Veterans' Affairs, Department of
Agency 33		Game and Parks Commission
Agency 40		Motor Vehicle Licensing Board, Nebraska
Agency 52		State Fair Board
Agency 91		Nebraska Tourism Commission
LB80	Aguilar	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Veterans' Affairs
LB609	McDonnell	State intent to appropriate funds for construction of a Vietnam War memorial
LB744	Erdman	State intent to appropriate funds to the Game and Parks Commission

**Education  
Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB708	Arch	Require the Office of Probation Administration, the State Court Administrator, the State Department of Education, and the Department of Health and Human Services to enter into a memorandum of understanding for the sharing of data regarding data relevant to students who are under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court
LB550	Ballard	Change provisions relating to the enrollment option program
LB528	Hansen, B.	Create the Nebraska Option Enrollment Tuition Account Program
LB356	Walz	Redefine terms under the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act
LB811	Murman	Change provisions relating to the Student Discipline Act and provide for use of physical contact or physical restraint or removal from a class in response to student behavior, provide for behavioral awareness and intervention training, and change provisions relating to lottery funds used for education
LB703	Murman	Change provisions relating to the University of Nebraska
LB700	Murman	Remove redundant language relating to the community college system

**Transportation and Telecommunications  
Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.**

Appointment		Blackman, Bret R. - Nebraska Information Technology Commission
LB645	McDonnell	Change provisions relating to state highways and roads
LB212	Slama	Require the Department of Transportation to plan, design, and purchase rights-of-way for U.S. Highway 75 and pave all unpaved state highways
LB721	Ballard	Appropriate funds to the Department of Transportation for the East Beltway project in Lancaster County
LB453	DeKay	Provide an additional use of the Highway Cash Fund and change provisions relating to bridge replacement and road construction contracts
LB454	DeKay	Require the Department of Transportation to plan, design, and purchase rights-of-way for U.S. Highway 81

**Urban Affairs  
Room 1510 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB223	McKinney	Provide and change reporting requirements under the Municipal Density and Missing Middle Housing Act
LB6	Blood	Prohibit conditional use permits and zoning exceptions for delinquent property taxpayers
LB530	McKinney	Change provisions of the Nebraska Housing Agency Act
LB462	Conrad	Redefine a term under the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act
LB746	Cavanaugh, M.	Restrict the use of tax-increment financing

**Wednesday, March 1, 2023**

**Appropriations  
Room 1307 - 1:30 p.m.**

Agency 14		Public Service Commission
Agency 21		State Fire Marshal
Agency 54		Historical Society, Nebraska State
Agency 69		Arts Council, Nebraska
LB361	Dorn	State legislative intent to appropriate funds for the Precision Agriculture Infrastructure Grant Program
LB563	Dorn	Appropriate funds to the Nebraska State Historical Society
LB615	McDonnell	Appropriate funds to the State Fire Marshal
LB718	Dover	Appropriate funds to the Nebraska Arts Council

**Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB675	Day	Change provisions relating to elections and identification documents (rescheduled)
LB228	Erdman	Create state holidays for statewide primary and general election days, require in-person voting, photographic identification to vote, counting of ballots on election day, and counting of ballots at the precinct level, and allow voting by mail for registered military personnel and residents of nursing homes and assisted-living facilities (rescheduled)
LB230	Erdman	Require qualifying identification for voter registration and voting, require in-person voting, provide penalties, eliminate certain fees for state identification cards and certified copies of birth certificates, and change provisions relating to operators' licenses and state identification cards (rescheduled)

**Health and Human Services  
Room 1510 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB488	Hunt	Adopt the Sexual Assault Emergency Care Act
LB204	Riepe	Provide for reimbursement for pharmacy dispensing fees under the medical assistance program
LB62	Cavanaugh, M.	Provide for coverage of translation and interpretation services under the medical assistance program
LB179	Fredrickson	Prohibit conversion therapy

**Judiciary  
Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB480	Holdcroft	Change medical lien provisions
LB331	DeBoer	Provide for adoption by two persons jointly and change provisions relating to adoptions
LB169	Hunt	Prohibit discrimination based upon sexual orientation and gender identity
LB316	Fredrickson	Change and eliminate provisions relating to marriage
LR26CA	Day	Constitutional amendment to remove provisions regarding marriage from the Constitution of Nebraska

**Natural Resources  
Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.**

Appointment		Hughes, Dan - Game and Parks Commission
LB396	Erdman	Provide for streamflow augmentation projects and retention of water rights
LB656	McDonnell	Change provisions relating to the Small Watersheds Flood Control Fund



**Wednesday, March 1, 2023 (cont.)****Revenue  
Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB303	Linehan	Change provisions relating to an annual estimate for necessary funding under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act
LB580	Holdcroft	Change provisions relating to agricultural or horticultural land receiving special valuation
LB495	Briese	Redefine nonqualified withdrawal for purposes of the Nebraska educational savings plan
LB180	Brandt	Adopt the Nebraska Biodiesel Tax Credit Act
LB209	Bostar	Provide tax exemptions relating to data centers

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**Thursday, March 2, 2023****Appropriations  
Room 1307 - 1:30 p.m.**

Agency 37		Workers' Compensation Court
Agency 77		Industrial Relations, Commission of
Agency 45		Barber Examiners, Board of
Agency 68		Latino-American Commission
Agency 70		Foster Care Review Board, State
Agency 76		Indian Commission, Nebraska
Agency 90		African American Affairs Commission
LB275	Wishart	State intent regarding appropriations to the Foster Care Review Office

**Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB650	McDonnell	Allow certain cybersecurity records to be withheld from the public
LB776	Bostar	Provide for nomination and election of candidates on the nonpartisan ballot
LB684	Briese	Provide for a review of services provided by state agencies
LB366	Conrad	Change provisions relating to public records and include body-worn camera recordings in certain circumstances

**Health and Human Services  
Room 1510 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB35	DeBoer	Change provisions relating to child care assistance
LB84	Day	Change provisions relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
LB357	Walz	Change the maximum support allowable under the Disabled Persons and Family Support Act
LB748	Cavanaugh, M.	Adopt the Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Assistance Act

**Judiciary  
Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB110	McDonnell	Change potential conditions of pretrial release and provide for a pretrial risk assessment services pilot project
LB631	McKinney	Change provisions relating to the Board of Parole
LB76	Geist	Provide access to certain information relating to probationers, juveniles, and parolees to law enforcement agencies

**Thursday, March 2, 2023 (cont.)**

LB479	Wayne	Transfer the Office of Probation Administration to the executive branch, rename the Division of Parole Supervision as the Parole Supervision Agency, and remove such agency from the Board of Parole
LB348	Wayne	Adopt the Community Work Release and Treatment Centers Act and change provisions relating to the Board of Parole, the Department of Correctional Services, and the Office of Probation Administration

**Natural Resources**  
**Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB725	Dungan	Change provisions relating to electric companies and electric cooperative corporations
LB726	Dungan	Adopt the Nebraska Electric Consumer Right to Transparency and Local Control Act

**Nebraska Retirement Systems**  
**Room 1525 - 12:00 p.m.**

LB196	Bostar	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System and benefits provided upon the death of an officer after retirement and annual benefit adjustment calculations
LB378	McDonnell	Change retirement system participation provisions

**Revenue**  
**Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB407	Linehan	Extend an application deadline under the Nebraska Transformational Projects Act
LB616	McDonnell	Provide for awards under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act relating to the federal Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) for America Act
LB165	Geist	Include elementary and secondary schools in the Nebraska educational savings plan trust and change tax benefits
LB699	Murman	Change the valuation of certain real property for purposes of taxes levied by school districts
LR30CA	Murman	Constitutional amendment to provide for a different method of taxing commercial real property

**Friday, March 3, 2023**

**Appropriations**  
**Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.**

Agency 48		Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
Agency 50		Nebraska State College System
Agency 51		University of Nebraska System
Agency 83		Community College Aid
LB273	Vargas	State intent regarding appropriations to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
LB373	Murman	State intent regarding appropriations to the University of Nebraska
LB802	Vargas	State intent to appropriate funds to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska

**Friday, March 3, 2023 (cont.)****Executive Board  
Room 1525 - 12:00 p.m.**

LR5	Blood	Legislative Resolution to ratify an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to regulation of child labor
LR22CA	Dover	Constitutional amendment to change legislative term limits to three consecutive terms

**Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB485	Hunt	Provide for applicability of provisions regarding state contracts for services to certain state entities
LB486	Hunt	Change the prohibition on use of state funds for advertising or promotional materials

**Health and Human Services  
Room 1510 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB523	Walz	Require a state plan amendment to include school psychologists as medicaid providers
LB676	Day	Create the Nebraska Diaper Distribution Grant program
LB233	Cavanaugh, J.	Provide for child support payment disregard under aid to dependent children program and eliminate child support income in determining eligibility

**Judiciary  
Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB494	Dungan	Change the business records hearsay exception and provide for additional self-authenticating items of evidence
LB576	Cavanaugh, J.	Provide limitations on liability and nuisance related to land-management burning
LB139	Brandt	Change the jurisdictional amount of the Small Claims Court
LB767	DeKay	Increase the indigent defense court filing fee
LB799	DeBoer	Change judges' salaries
LB156	DeBoer	Change the caseload ratio for the Public Guardian
LB157	DeBoer	Authorize appointment of temporary guardians for certain purposes

**Revenue  
Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB79	Erdman	Adopt the Nebraska EPIC Option Consumption Tax Act
LR6CA	Erdman	Constitutional amendment to prohibit governmental entities from imposing any taxes other than retail consumption taxes and excise taxes
LR7CA	Erdman	Constitutional amendment to require the state to impose a consumption tax or an excise tax on all new goods and services and to provide a tax exemption for grocery items



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**Monday, March 6, 2023**

**Appropriations  
Room 1307 - 1:30 p.m.**

Agency 16		Revenue, Department of
Agency 35		Liquor Control Commission, Nebraska
Agency 93		Tax Equalization and Review Commission
Agency 24		Motor Vehicles, Department of
Agency 27		Transportation, Department of
Agency 31		Military Department
LB560	Blood	State intent to seek federal funds under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022

**Banking, Commerce and Insurance  
Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB69	Jacobson	Provide requirements for life insurance policies
LB587	Wishart	Adopt the Insurance Regulatory Sandbox Act

**Business and Labor  
Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB405	Vargas	Change provisions of the Non-English-Speaking Workers Protection Act
LB272	Vargas	Change provisions relating to the date when compensation begins under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB464	Vargas	Change provisions relating to proof of mental injuries and mental illness for first responders under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB203	Riepe	Provide for a release of employee medical records as prescribed under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB460	McDonnell	Provide for reimbursement of mental health examinations and resilience training for certain persons under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB380	Conrad	Changes to the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act to provide for jury trials and prohibit discrimination for exercise of rights under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB443	Albrecht	Change provisions relating to compensation for total disability under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB191	Halloran	Provide for confidentiality of and access to certain injury reports under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act

**Education  
Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB159	McDonnell	Adopt the Fostering Independence Higher Education Grant Act
LB178	Erdman	Require display of the national motto in schools
LB679	Day	Create the Holocaust and Genocide Education Training Grant Program and provide duties for the State Department of Education, State Board of Education, and Commissioner of Education
LB372	Murman	Change provisions relating to part-time enrollment in public schools and extracurricular activities
LB635	Albrecht	Provide requirements regarding access to digital and online resources provided for students by school districts, schools, and the Nebraska Library Commission
LB638	Albrecht	Adopt the Nebraska K-12 Cybersecurity and Data Protection Act

**Monday, March 6, 2023 (cont.)**

**General Affairs  
Room 1510 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB144	Brandt	Change and eliminate certain classes of licenses under the State Electrical Act
LB257	Lowe	Change provisions relating to cemeteries and abandonment and reversion of cemetery lots
LB542	Lowe	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act
LB543	Lowe	Change provisions relating to entertainment district licenses under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act
LB544	Conrad	Change provisions of the Nebraska Bingo Act
LB716	Cavanaugh, J.	Change provisions relating to licensure, registration, and state inspection fees under the State Electrical Act

**Transportation and Telecommunications  
Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB31	Jacobson	Require train crews of at least two individuals as prescribed
LB44	Dungan	Adopt the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact
LB234	Walz	Require reporting of blocked railroad crossing complaints
LB796	Wayne	Provide for the Department of Transportation to develop and administer a safety oversight program for rail transit systems
LB646	McDonnell	Change provisions relating to telecommunications

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**Tuesday, March 7, 2023**

**Appropriations  
Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.**

Agency 72		Economic Development, Department of
LB349	Wayne	Change award limitations and appropriations intent language under the Business Innovation Act
LB444	Linehan	Provide for a one-time grant for a health sciences education center, infrastructure costs, and a community athletics complex
LB682	Vargas	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development
LB784	McKinney	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development
LB798	Vargas	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development

**Banking, Commerce and Insurance  
Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB640	Kauth	Require an off-campus location of a hospital to obtain and use a separate National Provider Identifier in billing for health care services
LB483	Raybould	Redefine qualifying mutual financial institution for purposes of regulation of public funds deposit security

**Transportation and Telecommunications  
Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB226	Brandt	Change provisions relating to construction manager-general contractor contracts and public-private partnerships under the Transportation Innovation Act
LB166	Bostelman	Change provisions relating to design-build, construction manager-general contractor, and public-private-partnership proposals under the Transportation Innovation Act

**Tuesday, March 7, 2023 (cont.)**

LB564	Dorn	Change provisions of the Economic Opportunity Program of the Department of Transportation
LB600	Lippincott	Change provisions relating to the Transportation Infrastructure Bank Fund and the Economic Opportunity Program of the Department of Transportation
LB449	Brandt	Provide an additional use for the County Bridge Match Program

**Urban Affairs  
Room 1510 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB532	McKinney	Change provisions of the Community Development Law
LB531	McKinney	Change provisions of the Economic Recovery Act
LB424	DeBoer	Create the Department of Housing and Urban Development

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**Wednesday, March 8, 2023****Appropriations  
Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB504	Aguilar	State intent to transfer and appropriate funds for housing
LB741	Vargas	State intent to transfer money and appropriate funds relating to housing
LB786	McKinney	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development
LB789	Wayne	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development
LB801	Vargas	State intent to transfer money to the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Fund and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund

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**Thursday, March 9, 2023****Appropriations  
Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB445	Wayne	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development
LB573	Hansen, B.	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development for a time-limited grant program
LB608	McDonnell	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development
LB719	Dover	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development
LB785	McKinney	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Economic Development

**Executive Board  
Room 1525 - 12:00 p.m.**

LB696	ConradI	Provide for legislative oversight of the settlement funds administered by the Attorney General
LR2CA	Erdman	Constitutional amendments to change from a unicameral legislature to a bicameral legislature, provide for election of members of the Legislature on a partisan ballot, require election of legislative officers and committee chairpersons by a public vote, and require all meetings of the Legislature to be open to the public

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at a hearing, please call the Clerk of the Legislature's Office at (402) 471-2271. Advance notice of ten business days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

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