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LB 949: Revenue Committee hears bill on special assessments

On Feb. 11, the Revenue Committee heard testimony on a bill designed to encourage property owners to pay any special assessments they may owe.

LB 949, introduced by Henderson **Sen. Curt Friesen** on behalf of the League, requires that every county statement of taxes, other than Douglas County, be required to include notice that special assessments may be due and the property owner should contact the county.

Under current law, property tax statements are sent out in Douglas County for special assessments due for cutting weeds, removing litter and demolishing buildings. In past

years, the League has negotiated with the Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) to expand that provision to all counties, but NACO has raised concerns. The language in LB 949 to simply provide a statement that special assessments may be due on the property tax statement was negotiated with NACO.

At the hearing, a **League representative** testified in favor of the bill stating that League members have stressed that collection of special assessments can be difficult and that a reminder on the property tax statement will help with that collection. **NACO** testified in a neutral capacity on the bill. There were no



Sen. Curt Friesen

opponents.

Thanks to Sen. Friesen for introducing this important piece of legislation!

LR 263CA: Constitutional amendment to end unfunded mandates prioritized

Bellevue **Sen. Carol Blood** introduced a constitutional amendment, **LR 263CA**, that prohibits the Legislature from imposing responsibility for any program, or increase the level of service for a current program, after 2022 on any political subdivision unless the political subdivision is fully reimbursed for the cost of the program or the increase in level of service.

Sen. Blood opened on her constitutional amendment by stating that a secret of the Legislature is unfunded mandates on local governments. She talked about Aid to Municipalities being eliminated in 2011

and the Legislature continuing to create new programs that local governments are expected to fund. In addition to the **League**, several testifiers supported the measure including **Sarpy County**, the **Nebraska Association of County Officials**, **Lancaster County**, the **City of Lincoln**, and the **City of Omaha**. The League, along with other supporters, discussed the number of unfunded mandates that currently are imposed on municipalities. Some of the unfunded mandates have been imposed in the last year, including increased training for law enforcement in LB 51 and paying



Sen. Carol Blood

for postcards for joint public hearings under LB 644. There were no

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LB 983: Government Committee advances bill on county industrial tracts

Last week, the Government Committee heard a bill introduced at the request of the League regarding county industrial tracts. The issue was brought to the League's legislative committees by the City of Columbus. Columbus is concerned about how county industrial tracts are being used and whether the businesses located in these tracts still met the definition of "industrial."

Current law provides that every even-numbered year in March, the county board is required, when requested by a municipality, to review industrial areas in its jurisdiction. If the county board finds during its review that there is a problem with the industrial area designation, the county board gives notice to the property owners of the tracts that there will be a hearing. If after the hearing, the county board finds that the industrial area is no longer suitable for industrial purposes or is being used for non-industrial

enterprises, the county is required to remove the designation as an industrial area from that tract. The concern in Columbus is that the county board in Platte County is reluctant to remove industrial area designations even when the city requests the review and there is evidence presented that activities are occurring that do not meet the definition of "industry."

To address some of the issues Columbus is experiencing, **LB 983**, introduced by Columbus **Sen. Mike Moser**, makes several changes to the county industrial tract statutes including: clarifying that storage of personal property is not included in the definition of industry; changing the process when a municipality asks for a review of the uses of a county industrial tract; requiring the owners of property within the tract to prove that the tract is still being used for industry; and providing that if owners in the industrial tract do not appear at the hearing, the county board is required to remove the industrial area designation.

At the hearing, **Tara Vasicek**, Columbus City Administrator, testified about the importance of the bill to address the concerns they were experiencing. A **League representative** also testified in favor of the bill stressing that the issues addressed in LB 983 were important to municipalities across the state with county industrial tracts. The **Nebraska Association of County Officials** testified in a neutral capacity and



Sen. Mike Moser

there were no opponents to the bill.

Thanks to Sen. Moser for his excellent work on LB 983 and to the City of Columbus for their strong support of the measure. The Government Committee advanced the bill on an 8-0 vote Feb. 15. It is our understanding Sen. Moser will request that this bill be placed on "consent calendar." The League's *Legislative Bulletin* will keep you posted on the progress of this important bill.

LR 263CA

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opponents to the measure.

This week, Sen. Blood chose LR 263CA as her personal priority bill. The measure was advanced from the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee Feb. 3 on an 8-0 vote. Since this measure has been prioritized, there is a good chance it will be debated on the floor of the Legislature.

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LB 916: Transportation Committee hears bill on municipal broadband

On Feb. 15, the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee heard testimony on **LB 916**, introduced by Omaha **Sen. Justin Wayne**, which would adopt the Rural Municipal Broadband Access Act designed to create a process for cities of the first class, cities of the second class and villages to provide municipal broadband services if such a city or village is located in an area that doesn't have broadband speeds of at least 100 megabits per

second download and 20 megabits per second upload. Under this bill, the city or village would have to conduct a feasibility study, conduct a hearing and put the measure to a vote of the people. LB 916 was supported by a **League representative** and **Chris Dibbern**, General Counsel for NMPP Energy.

LB 916 was opposed by several associations representing telecommunications carriers.



Sen. Justin Wayne

LB 1008: League opposes energy bill restricting municipal authority

On Feb. 11, the Legislature's Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee heard testimony on **LB 1008**, introduced by Thurston **Sen. Joni Albrecht**. According to the introducer, the purpose of the bill is to "allow Nebraskans to continue to choose the fuel of their choice." However, as currently drafted, LB 1008 goes well beyond that intended goal and restricts

municipally owned utilities from disconnecting customers for non-payment, requiring utility deposits and denying connections for unsafe conditions. As written, the bill also limits the ability of a municipality to govern size and location of large propane tanks. LB 1008 was supported by numerous business groups and the natural gas and propane utilities. LB 1008 was op-

posed by a **League representative** who indicated that while the overall goal of the bill might be laudable, the drafting created major seemingly unintended consequences.

The League indicated that it would work with the committee to redraft the bill in a manner that did not harm the ability of a municipality to govern its own utility or regulate safety.

LB 954: League opposes bill restricting local authority on indoor vaping

On Feb. 18, the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee heard testimony on **LB 954**, introduced by Omaha **Sen. Justin Wayne**. LB 954 would restrict the ability of a municipality to have ordinances more restrictive than the

Clean Indoor Air Act with respect to electronic smoking devices, including the banning of certain methods or flavors. Lincoln and Grand Island currently both have ordinances that ban some vaping activities. LB 954 was supported by the owner of a

business called **Generation V**. LB 954 was opposed by a **League representative**, the **Nebraska Medical Association**, the **Nebraska Heart Association**, **Lancaster County**, and numerous other health and medical-related associations.

LB 1146: League opposes bill to change provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act

On Feb. 11, the Government, Military and Veterans Committee held a hearing on **LB 1146**, introduced by Henderson **Sen. Curt Friesen**. LB 1146 would require a vote of the people who reside within the jurisdictions seeking to form a joint agency under the Interlocal Cooperation Act. LB 1146 also would require that the members of board formed under the Act shall be members of the governing boards of the jurisdictions that formed the joint agency. LB 1146 would require a vote of the people of the joint agency for any building or infrastructure projects proposed by the board of the joint agency.

In his opening remarks, Sen. Friesen stated that he would limit the bill to school districts and educational service units (ESUs). He cited examples of what he perceives as potential abuses of the Interlocal Cooperation Act since there have been at least a couple school districts which are going forward with plans to build or expand school buildings even though voters did not approve bonds to do so.

Jason Alexander, Superintendent of Beatrice Public Schools, was joined by **Janet Byars**, a 10-year member of the Beatrice Board of Education, and **Erin Chitwick**, also a Beatrice School Board Member, who explained that following a failed bond election the Board of Education has listened to the concerns of voters and structured a

proposal to work with their ESU to build a school within their current levy authority. **Brandon Lavaley**, Superintendent of Wahoo Public Schools, also explained why his school has proceeded to respond to concerns of citizens while partnering with an ESU to expand current facilities. **Dr. Brenda McNiff** of ESU #5 located in Beatrice described the important role that ESUs play in partnering with school districts.

Although Sen. Friesen stated in his opening remarks that he would limit LB 1146 to school districts, the following organizations joined a **League representative** in opposing the bill: Chris Dibbern, **Nebraska Public Gas Association**; Jack Cheloha, Deputy City Attorney/City Lobbyist, **City of Omaha**; Chris Connelly, Assistant City Attorney, **City of Lincoln**; and Beth Ferrell, Lobbyist, **NACO**.

Testimony in opposition to LB 1146 included provisions in the bill providing that “only members of the governing bodies of the public agencies party to the agreement shall comprise the membership of any such separate legal or administrative entity.” The League representative explained that the Bylaws of the League Association of Risk Management (LARM) state there should be a balance between elected and appointed officials serving on the LARM Board of Directors; it is difficult to recruit elected officials to

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take time away from their full-time jobs in the private sector to participate as a member of an interlocal agency. In addition, there is great value in having a mix of elected officials and appointed officials with various levels of expertise.

Others testifying in opposition to LB 1146 emphasized the cost of having an election to establish an interlocal agency, noting the bill requires the vote occur at the next general election which may not coincide with the need to take action more quickly to address concerns on behalf of the public.

LB 1146 has not been voted out of committee or prioritized at this time.

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SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE HEARINGS

The order of the bills listed may not be the order in which they are heard that day in committee.

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Appropriations
Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.

LB996	Dorn	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for assisted-living facilities
LB1055	McDonnell	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for premium pay to front-line nurses
LB1089	Stinner	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for licensed and medicaid-certified nursing facilities
LB1269	Murman	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for repayment of qualified educational debts owed by certain health professionals
LB1183	Aguilar	State intent to appropriate federal funds for federally qualified health centers
LB1066	Stinner	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services and the University of Nebraska for behavioral health care services
LB1172	Hilkemann	Appropriate federal funds for rate increases for certain providers of developmental disabilities services

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

LB1187	Flood	Change provisions relating to controllable electronic records in the Uniform Commercial Code
LB1061	Albrecht	Change provisions relating to the board of directors of an insurance corporation
LB948	Wayne	Require insurers to reveal certain liability coverage limits to injured parties
LB1258	Bostar	Adopt the Peer-to-Peer Vehicle Sharing Program Act

Education
Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.

LB838	Kolterman	AM1889
LB1027	Hunt	Provide for grants to schools that discontinue use of American Indian mascots
LB852	Day	Require behavioral health points of contact for school districts
LB1211	Linehan	Change provisions relating to option enrollment for students
LB1212	Linehan	Change provisions relating to individualized education plans under the Special Education Act

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

LB1105	Day	Provide for Autism Awareness Plates
LB1149	Friesen	Change registration fees for motor vehicles powered by alternative fuel

Tuesday, February 22, 2022 (cont.)

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

LB1108	Day	Provide certain sanitary and improvement districts the power to regulate the discharge of fireworks
LB726	Hansen, M.	Change provisions relating to sanitary and improvement districts
LB727	Hansen, M.	Change provisions relating to the board of trustees of a sanitary and improvement district
LB821	Hansen, M.	Adopt the Aid to Municipalities Act
LB1118	Wayne	Provide for election of airport authority board in a city of the metropolitan class
LB1119	Wayne	Change powers of an airport authority created by a city of the metropolitan class

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

Appropriations Room 1003 - 1:30 p.m.

LB1267	Vargas	Appropriate federal funds for health equity liaisons for various state commissions
LB760	Dorn	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for grants to licensed emergency medical services programs
LB1194	McDonnell	Appropriate federal funds to the Public Service Commission for public safety answering points and cloud-based software services to process 911 emergency calls
LB1199	McDonnell	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Administrative Services for the Chief Information Officer to provide radios to volunteer departments
LB1257	Bostar	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Transportation for grants for electric vehicle direct-current fast charging stations

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

Appointment		Ashford, Ann - Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission
LB793	McCollister	Provide for ranked-choice voting for certain city and village offices
LB794	McCollister	Provide for nonpartisan election of the State Treasurer and Auditor of Public Accounts

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

Appointment		Mentink, Linda - Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
Appointment		Livingston, Cheryl - Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired
Appointment		Wiener, Richard L. - Foster Care Advisory Committee
Appointment		Williams, Peggy A. - Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
LB710	McCollister	Change provisions relating to federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program eligibility
LB1107	Day	Change provisions relating to provider reimbursement for an absent child under the federal Child Care Subsidy program

Wednesday, February 23, 2022 (cont.)

Judiciary

Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.

LB907	DeBoer	Adopt the Uniform Community Property Disposition at Death Act and change provisions relating to court jurisdiction
LB1260	DeBoer	Change provisions relating to the Public Guardianship Act
LB1275	Groene	Adopt the Medicinal Cannabis Act

Natural Resources

Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.

Appointment		Strommen, Paul E. - Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission
Appointment		Juelfs, Dallen R. - Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

Revenue

Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.

LB1264	McDonnell	Change provisions relating to inheritance taxes, sales and use taxes, and income taxes
LB827	Lindstrom	Provide income tax deductions for the cost of certain property and for certain research or experimental expenditures
LB936	Bostar	Change provisions relating to the taxation of nonresident income
LB984	Moser	Change sales and use tax collection fees
LB1005	DeBoer	Change notice provisions relating to treasurer's tax deeds
LB1168	Linehan	Provide an income tax deduction for the costs of medical care

Thursday, February 24, 2022

Appropriations

Room 1003 - 1:30 p.m.

LB1167	Flood	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for internships and expanding and retaining Nebraska's workforce
LB1072	McDonnell	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for a financial success program
LB1063	Morfeld	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Labor to increase the number of apprentices and provide premium pay
LB1206	Kolterman	Appropriate federal funds to the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges for infrastructure, technology, and equipment

Executive Board

Room 1525 - 12:00 p.m.

LR159	Blood	Request the Executive Board to appoint an AltEn LLC, Ethanol Plant Special Investigative and Oversight Committee
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Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.

LB965	Bostar	Change the day the state observes Arbor Day
LB1077	Hansen, B.	Prohibit public schools, public postsecondary institutions, and governmental entities from training or teaching certain concepts relating to race and sex and provide for withholding of state funds

Thursday, February 24, 2022 (cont.)

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

LB1129	Morfeld	Provide free contraceptives for women as prescribed
LB716	Hunt	Allow qualified practitioners to perform abortions

Judiciary Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.

LB781	Slama	Adopt the Heartbeat Act
LB933	Albrecht	Adopt the Nebraska Human Life Protection Act
LB1086	Geist	Adopt the Chemical Abortion Safety Protocol Act

Revenue Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.

LB687	Blood	Adopt the Property Tax Circuit Breaker Act
LB784	Groene	Change provisions relating to a property tax exemption for hospitals
LB1020	Brewer	Change homestead exemption provisions relating to application requirements for certain veterans
LB1080	Sanders	Change homestead exemption provisions relating to qualifications, application requirements, and penalties
LB995	Linehan	Limit the total amount reimbursed by the state for homestead exemptions

Friday, February 25, 2022

Appropriations Room 1003 - 1:30 p.m.

LB867	Morfeld	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for Health Aid
LB1221	Morfeld	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for remdesivir for patients suffering from COVID-19
LB959	McCullister	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for the statewide designated health information exchange
LB1075	Stinner	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for technology that will support statewide pediatric mental health services
LB1076	Stinner	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services to develop software to streamline coordination of care for children with medically complex conditions
LB1254	Hansen, B.	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for services relating to youth who have aged out of the foster care system

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

LB1134	Morfeld	Prohibit use of public resources by a board member or employee of an electric cooperative corporation under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act
LB1139	Hansen, M.	Prohibit certain corporations from making contributions or expenditures or providing personal services under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act

Friday, February 25, 2022 (cont.)

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

LB885	Cavanaugh, M.	Require implicit bias training for certain applicants and credential holders under the Uniform Credentialing Act
LB1106	Day	Change provisions of the Mental Health Practice Act

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

LB772	Day	Prohibit certain providers of health care and medical services from taking certain debt collection actions against victims of sexual assault, domestic assault, and child abuse
LB909	McDonnell	Authorize mental health professionals and practitioners to take persons into emergency protective custody and provide for a training and certification process
LB1009	Brandt	Adopt the Domestic Abuse Death Review Act
LB1171	Sanders	Provide for the clerk of the district court to serve as the ex officio jury commissioner in all counties and change provisions relating to compensation
LB1216	Cavanaugh, M.	Change provisions relating to appointment of guardians and conservators

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

LB881	McKinney	Provide a sales tax exemption for feminine hygiene products and require detention facilities to provide feminine hygiene products to prisoners free of charge
LB941	Slama	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for net wrap
LB944	McCollister	Change the sales tax rate imposed on the furnishing of electricity service
LB1097	Halloran	Change sales tax provisions relating to motor vehicle towing
LB1225	Wayne	Eliminate the franchise tax and require financial institutions to pay the corporate income tax
LB1209	Linehan	Change sales tax provisions relating to purchasing agents

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE HEARINGS

Monday, February 28, 2022

Appropriations

Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.

LB696	Blood	Appropriate federal funds to the State Department of Education for school employee retention payments
LB1085	Pansing Brooks	Appropriate federal funds to the State Department of Education for career and technical educational student organizations
LB1182	Pansing Brooks	Adopt the School Employees Pandemic Protection Act and state intent regarding federal funds
LB1198	McDonnell	Appropriate federal funds to the State Department of Education to provide grants to nonprofit organizations providing programming for mentorship, career exploration, and access to job readiness or postsecondary education
LB1220	Morfeld	Appropriate federal funds to the State Department of Education for premium payments for teachers working in underserved communities
LB1240	Albrecht	Appropriate federal funds to the State Department of Education to provide family-directed education recovery accounts for low-income children and families
LB1217	Walz	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Administrative Services for incentive payments to eligible school employees

Banking, Commerce and Insurance

Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.

LB689	Blood	Change provisions relating to fees in the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act
LB718	Morfeld	Provide requirements for cost-sharing and coverage relating to health care benefits and pharmacy benefit managers
LB1188	Flood	Adopt the Uniform Personal Data Protection Act

Business and Labor

Room 1003 - 1:30 p.m.

LB1083	Business and Labor	Provide for payment of claims against the state
LB1084	Business and Labor	Deny claims against the state
LB1130	Morfeld	Require data sharing and execution of agreements with the Nebraska Statewide Workforce and Education Reporting System by various state departments
LB815	McKinney	Adopt the Diaper Changing Accommodation Act
LB1140	Hansen, M.	Change provisions relating to withholding of wages for health and human services agencies and associations
LB834	Hunt	Redefine a term under the Wage and Hour Act
LB1029	Hunt	Prohibit harassment by certain employers and provide an unlawful employment practice for a covered entity under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act

Education

Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.

LB1034	Pahls	Provide for designation of progress schools and progress plans and state intent to appropriate federal funds
LB1251	Hansen, B.	Adopt the Equal Opportunity Scholarship for Students with Special Needs Program Act and change provisions relating to the distribution of lottery funds

Monday, February 28, 2022(cont.)

LB1179	Groene	Adopt the Classroom Safety Intervention and Behavioral Awareness Training Act
LB912	Morfeld	Provide for mental health first aid training for school districts and change provisions relating to the use of lottery funds

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

LB1268	Bostar	Remove the prohibition that a lottery ticket cannot be sold through a vending or dispensing device under the State Lottery Act
LB1109	Murman	Provide for the issuance of a liquor license to the spouse of a law enforcement officer
LB1239	Vargas	Change and eliminate provisions relating to liquor and agreements between manufacturers and wholesalers and beer suppliers and beer wholesalers

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Appropriations Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.

LB1161	Wishart	Appropriate federal funds to the State Department of Education for programs and interpreters that provide services to students who are deaf or hard of hearing
LB1162	Wishart	Appropriate federal funds to the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing to support in-person interpreting in rural areas and legal communication access
LB1087	Stinner	Appropriate federal funds for Aid to Community Colleges for dual enrollment
LB1079	Hansen, B.	State intent to appropriate federal funds for disbursement to Nebraska residents as prepaid debit cards
LB1131	Morfeld	State intent to appropriate federal funds for bonus payments for teachers, child care workers, and health care workers
LB1138	Vargas	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for local public health departments
LB1203	Briese	Appropriate federal funds for child care programs

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

LB715	Hunt	Eliminate the prohibition regarding publicly funded insurance coverage for abortion and repeal the Mandate Opt-Out and Insurance Coverage Clarification Act
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Education Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.

LB1078	Hansen, B.	Prohibit possession of personal electronic devices by students in public school classrooms
LB711	Hughes	Change provisions relating to the sale of educational land
LB1157	Linehan	Require the State Department of Education to submit reports on federal funds
LR278CA	Linehan	Constitutional amendment to eliminate the State Board of Education and provide for the Governor to appoint the Commissioner of Education
LB1143	Linehan	Require approval by the voters of a school district or educational service unit for the issuance of certain bonds under the Interlocal Cooperation Act

Wednesday, March 2, 2022

**Appropriations
Room 1003 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB1141	Vargas	Appropriate federal funds to the Commission on Public Advocacy for legal representation for indigent clients
LB1002	McDonnell	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for low-income home energy assistance
LB1052	Cavanaugh, J.	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for the Nebraska Homeless Assistance Program
LB1159	Wishart	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for a model system of care
LB1201	DeBoer	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for grants to nonprofit organizations providing food assistance
LB1193	McDonnell	Provide limitations regarding federal funds appropriations relating to the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, and the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

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

LB1181	Groene	Change provisions relating to required identification documents for registering to vote and voting and procedures for early voting
LB1123	Erdman	Change procedures for counting ballots under the Election Act
LB1121	Albrecht	Require inspection of vote counting devices under the Election Act

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

LB859	Clements	Require city-county health departments to obtain approval for directed health measures
LB963	Murman	Adopt the Medical Ethics and Diversity Act

Briefing by the Department of Health and Human Services on the Heritage Health Procurement

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

LB828	Briese	Prohibit manipulation of elections under the Election Act and provide a penalty
LB829	DeBoer	Change provisions relating to offenses against animals
LB851	Wishart	Change enforcement procedures and redefine terms related to certain crimes involving animals
LB903	Bostar	Change provisions relating to criminal privacy violations and prohibit spying by unmanned aircraft
LB990	Hansen, B.	Create the offense of stolen valor and provide a penalty
LB994	Lathrop	Change provisions relating to sale of catalytic converters to secondary metals recyclers and change a penalty

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

LB972	Hansen, M.	Change provisions relating to agricultural or horticultural land receiving special valuation
LB1115	McKinney	Require the development of certain property in order for the property to retain its property tax exemption
LB1250	Hansen, B.	Change provisions relating to joint public hearings and postcards under the Property Tax Request Act

Thursday, March 3, 2022

**Appropriations
Room 1003 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB1160	Wishart	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Environment and Energy for reverse osmosis systems
LB1248	Hansen, B.	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Environment and Energy for a municipal water treatment plant
LB1191	Brewer	Appropriate federal funds to the Commission on Indian Affairs to improve tribal-owned community drinking water
LB1196	McDonnell	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for lead service line replacements for a utilities district
LB1048	Blood	Appropriate federal funds to the University of Nebraska to evaluate the chemicals released and pollution caused by ethanol production facilities
LB1255	Bostar	Appropriate federal funds to the University of Nebraska for an updated climate change report

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

LB692	Blood	Prohibit causing sexual contact when a condom has been removed without consent
LB1000	Hansen, B.	Change provisions relating to child abuse and neglect under the Child Protection and Family Safety Act and the Nebraska Juvenile Code
LB1223	Hansen, M.	Require reimbursement for lodging certain defendants in county jails and require state hospitals to maintain beds for certain patients

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

LB979	McCollister	Adopt the Remanufacturing Pilot Project Act and provide income tax credits
LB982	Hilkemann	Adopt the Education Savings Account Act and provide income tax adjustments
LB1039	McDonnell	Provide for state reimbursement of certain annual costs under the Firefighter Cancer Benefits Act
LB1261	Murman	Change limitations on tax credits under the Nebraska Advantage Rural Development Act