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LB43	Bolz		Judiciary 02/22/2019	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Bolz Priority Bill	Adopt the Sexual Assault Survivors' Bill of Rights Act and change certain rules of procedure <i>Designed to adopt the Sexual Assault Survivors' Bill of Rights Act, which includes, among other things, the survivor's right to consult with and have present an advocate of his or her choosing during medical evidentiary or physical examination (regardless of whether or not said right has been previously waived), the right to a free forensic medical examination, the right to shower at no cost if the facilities are available, right to consult with or have an advocate available during an interview by police/prosecution/defense, the right to be interviewed by an interviewer the gender of the survivor's choosing, and to and interpreter for differences regarding primary language.</i>
LB242	Lindstrom		Revenue 02/22/2019	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Lindstrom Priority Bill	Adopt the Infrastructure Improvement and Replacement Assistance Act and provide for a turnback of state sales tax revenue <i>Adopt the Infrastructure Improvement and Replacement Assistance Act and provide for a turnback of state sales tax revenue. Funds received under this legislation shall be used exclusively to assist in: (a) Paying for infrastructure improvements relating to constructing, upgrading, redeveloping, or replacing sewer and water infrastructure facilities; (b) Paying for the redevelopment and replacement of obsolete water or sewer facilities; or (c) Repaying bonds issued and pledged for such work. The state shall assist political subdivisions and sewer and water utilities by turning back a percentage of certain state sales tax revenue to political subdivisions and sewer and water utilities as provided in this section.</i> <i>Taxes refunded according to this schedule: For sales taxes imposed from July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021: Two percent; for sales taxes imposed from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2023: Three percent; and for sales taxes imposed on and after July 1, 2023: Four percent.</i> <i>The Department of Revenue shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to carry out the Infrastructure Improvement and Replacement Assistance Act.</i>
LB247	Bolz	Support	Judiciary 02/01/2019	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Speaker Priority Bill	Adopt the Advance Mental Health Care Directives Act <i>Adopt the Advance Mental Health Care Directives Act. An individual may use such a directive to: 1) Set forth instructions for mental health care, including consent to inpatient mental health treatment, psychotropic medication, or electroconvulsive therapy; 2) Dictate whether the directive is revocable during periods of incapacity and consent to treatment despite illness-induced refusals; 3) Choose the standard by which the directive becomes active; 4) Designate an agent to make mental health care decisions for the individual and 5) List all health care professionals, mental health care professionals, family, friends, and other interested individuals with whom treatment providers are allowed to communicate if the individual loses capacity. Under the bill, an individual's decision-making capacity is evaluated relative to the demands of a particular mental health care decision as an individual may lose capacity without being eligible for civil commitment in Nebraska.</i>
LB627	Pansing Brooks		Judiciary 02/07/2019	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Pansing Brooks Priority Bill	Prohibit discrimination based upon sexual orientation and gender identity <i>LB627 prohibits employment discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. Under LB627 it would be an unlawful employment practice for an employer, an employment agency, or a labor organization to discriminate against an individual on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity. The Act applies to employers having 15 or more employees, employers with state contracts regardless of the number of employees, the State of Nebraska, governmental agencies and political subdivisions. Current law prohibits employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, marital statute or national origin.</i>
LB720	Kolterman		Revenue 03/06/2019	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Kolterman Priority Bill	Adopt the ImagiNE Nebraska Act, Renewable Chemical Production Tax Credit Act, Customized Job Training Act, and Community Economic Opportunities Act and provide tax incentives <i>LB605 amended into LB720 by ComAM1614</i>

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					<p><i>Under LB720, the Legislature finds that it is the policy of this state to modernize its economic development platform in order to (1) encourage new businesses to relocate to Nebraska, (2) encourage existing businesses to remain and grow in Nebraska, (3) encourage the creation and retention of new, high-paying jobs in Nebraska, (4) attract and retain investment capital in Nebraska, (5) develop the Nebraska workforce, (6) simplify the administration of the tax incentive program created in the ImagiNE Nebraska Act for both businesses and the state, and (7) improve the transparency and accountability of such program. SECTION 28 of the Act describes the application process for a taxpayer to request an agreement. If the director fails to make his or her determination within the prescribed ninety-day period, the application is deemed approved. Within ninety days after approval of the application, the director shall prepare and deliver a written agreement to the taxpayer for the taxpayer's signature. The taxpayer and the director shall enter into a written agreement. The taxpayer shall agree to increase employment or investment at the qualified location or locations, report wage and hours data at the qualified location or locations to the Department of Labor annually, and report all qualified property at the qualified location or locations to the Property Tax Administrator. The director, on behalf of the State of Nebraska, shall agree to allow the taxpayer to use the incentives contained in the ImagiNE Nebraska Act. The application, and all supporting documentation, to the extent approved, shall be considered a part of the agreement. There shall be no new applications for incentives filed by a taxpayer after December 31, 2029.</i></p> <p><i>Contains provisions of: LB605</i></p>
LB781	Stinner		Government, Military and Veterans Affairs 02/06/2020	Passed with E- Clause 08/11/2020 Speaker Priority Bill	<p>Provide for annual continuing education for treasurers of certain local governments, change and eliminate county treasurer statement requirements, and provide a duty for the Auditor of Public Accounts</p> <p><i>NACO-SUPPORT</i> <i>Amends 14-553, 15-317, 16-318, 17-605, 17-606, 23-1601, and 84-304</i> <i>Requires county, city, and village treasurers to complete continuing education annually through a program approved by the Auditor of Public Accounts. Treasurer must provide proof of completion to the Auditor.</i> <i>Expense for the continued education will be paid by the county, city, or village of the treasurer.</i> <i>Requires a city or village clerk acting as a city or village treasurer to comply with requirements in subsection (3) of 17-606.</i> <i>Adds duty for the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually approve continuing education programs for county, city, and village treasurers. Auditor must also maintain records of program attendance and notify the county board, city council, or village board if their treasurer is not in compliance. Auditor is also responsible for notifying the Attorney General and county attorney of the county in which a treasurer is located if compliance is not met for the continuing education.</i></p> <p><i>Contains provisions of LB807.</i></p>
LB797	Hansen		Urban Affairs 01/28/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Speaker Priority Bill	<p>Change restrictions on municipal annexation</p> <p><i>NACO SUPPORT</i> <i>Amends 19-3052</i> <i>Would not allow a municipality, first class, or second class city to annex territory less than 5 months before a primary election in which city council or village board trustees are nominated. Previously was 80 days.</i></p>
LB866	Wayne	Monitor	Urban Affairs 02/04/2020	Passed with E- Clause 08/13/2020 Urban Affairs Priority Bill	<p>Adopt the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act</p> <p><i>Adopts the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act. Legislature finds and declares that:</i> <i>Residential density is beneficial in making better and more cost-effective use of municipal resources and services;</i> <i>There is a need for affordable housing in the state.</i> <i>Affordable housing contributes to economic growth by providing housing options for workers of all levels; and</i> <i>Combining residential density increases and concessions or incentives with inclusionary housing encourages the efficient and effective use of land resulting in the greatest contribution to economic growth, property tax relief, and the provision of safe, decent, and affordable housing in this state.</i></p>

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					<p><i>Density bonus or other concessions or incentives offered by a city contribute significantly to the economic feasibility of lower income housing in proposed housing developments. Defines concession or incentive as:</i></p> <p><i>A reduction in site development standards, a modification of zoning code requirements, or a modification of architectural design requirements that exceed the minimum building standards approved by the city;</i></p> <p><i>Approval of mixed-use zoning in conjunction with the housing project if commercial, office, industrial, or other land uses will reduce the cost of the housing development and if the commercial, office, industrial, or other land uses are generally compatible with the housing project and the existing or planned development in the area where the proposed housing project will be located;</i></p> <p><i>Other regulatory incentives or concessions proposed by the developer or the city that result in identifiable and actual cost reductions to provide affordable housing costs or rents for the income levels targeted.</i></p> <p><i>Defines density bonus as:</i></p> <p><i>A density increase over the otherwise maximum allowable residential density as of the date of application by the applicant to the city or, if elected by the applicant, a lesser percentage of density increase, including, but not limited to, no increase in density.</i></p> <p><i>Requires that a city council comply with the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act when an applicant seeks a density bonus for a housing development within the jurisdiction of a city in an area that has been declared a substandard and blighted area.</i></p> <p><i>After receiving an application, issuing notice and holding a public hearing on such application, and finding that such application meets the requirements of the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act, a city shall grant one density bonus.</i></p> <p><i>If requested by the applicant and consistent with the act, such city shall grant concessions or incentives, waivers or reductions of development standards, and parking ratios when an applicant for a housing development seeks and agrees to construct, rehabilitate, or convert such housing development, that will contain at least</i></p> <p><i>10% of the total units in a housing development comprising low-income units; or</i></p> <p><i>5% of the total units in a housing development comprising very low-income units.</i></p> <p><i>An applicant for a density bonus pursuant to the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act may submit to the city a proposal for the specific concessions or incentives that the applicant requests pursuant to the act.</i></p> <p><i>The applicant shall receive the following number of concessions or incentives:</i></p> <p><i>One concession or incentive if at least ten percent of the total units in the project are low-income units, or at least five percent of the total units in the project are very low-income units;</i></p> <p><i>Two concessions or incentives if at least twenty percent of the total units in the project are low-income units, or at least ten percent of the total units in the project are very low-income units; and</i></p> <p><i>Three concessions or incentives if at least thirty percent of the total units in the project are low-income units, or at least fifteen percent of the total units in the project are very low-income units. An applicant shall not receive more than one density bonus unless an applicant proposes to construct, rehabilitate, or convert a housing development that conforms to the requirements of the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act which includes a new child care facility or commercial development that will be located on the project premises, as part of the project, or adjacent to the project.</i></p> <p><i>The child care facility shall remain in operation for a period of time that is as long as or longer than the period of time during which the density bonus units are required to remain affordable.</i></p> <p><i>The children of very low-income households or low-income households shall equal a percentage that is equal to or greater than the percentage of dwelling units that are required for very low-income households or low-income households pursuant to the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act.</i></p> <p><i>An applicant shall agree to provide and the city shall ensure to protect the continued affordability of all income-restricted rental units that qualified the applicant for the density bonus for a term of at least thirty years.</i></p>
LB881	Hansen	Monitor	Judiciary 01/23/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Hansen, M. Priority Bill	<p>Require a report on untested sexual assault evidence collection kits, and change provisions relating to evidence, bail, grand jury transcripts, competency, alternate jurors, pretrial detention, collection of fines and costs, and setting aside of convictions</p> <p>NACO OPPOSE, LC-FN-Req Amends 29-2206. Changes that a court or magistrate may only deduct costs from a bond posted by the offender. This excludes the ability to deduct fines from the bond.</p> <p>Contains provisions of: LB945, LB776, LB282, LB1041, LB1007, LB1180, LB1181, LB881, LB213, LB777</p>

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LB912	Brandt		Judiciary 01/23/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Lathrop Priority Bill	Adopt the County Court Special Proceedings Act and change certain procedures relating to civil actions
					<p><i>LC - FN REQ</i> <i>Amends 24-734.</i> <i>Allows for any witness in a civil case who is to be examined by oral examination to appear by telephonic, videoconferencing, or similar methods, with any costs thereof to be taxed as costs unless there is a sustained objection to the appearance.</i> <i>A party may object to examination by telephonic, videoconferencing, or similar methods on grounds of unreliability or unfairness. The objecting party has the burden of proving unreliability or unfairness by a preponderance of the evidence.</i></p> <p><i>Provisions of LB271, LB1027, LB868, and LB869 have been amended into LB912</i></p>
LB924	Chambers		Judiciary 01/31/2020	Approved by Governor (E- Clause) 08/11/2020 Chambers Priority Bill	Change provisions relating to racial profiling and require law enforcement training
					<p><i>LC - FN REQ</i> <i>Amends 20-504, 23-1701.01 and 81-1414.07. Includes anti-bias and implicit bias training and testing designed to minimize apparent or actual racial profiling as an internal method of prevention and enforcement to include in the Nebraska State Patrol, the county sheriffs, all city and village police departments, and any other law enforcement agency's racial profiling prevention policy. If the Nebraska State Patrol, a county sheriff, a city and village police department, or any other law enforcement agency in this state fails, in a material manner, to record or retain information as required in relation to the motor vehicle stops (this includes race or ethnicity, reason for the stop, result of the stop, etc.) or to provide the information to the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice as required, such agency shall be ineligible to receive loans, grants, funds, or donations administered by the commission until the commission determines that such material failure has been corrected. Requires that all law enforcement officials attend at least two hours of anti-bias and implicit bias training designed to minimize apparent or actual racial profiling during each calendar year beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31.</i></p>
LB930	Briese		Revenue 02/21/2020	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Briese Priority Bill	Require a minimum amount of tax relief under the Property Tax Credit Act
					<p><i>NACO WATCH</i> <i>Amends 77-4212. Adds that for tax year 2020 and each tax year thereafter, the minimum amount of relief granted under the Property Tax Credit Act shall be two hundred seventy-five million dollars. If money is transferred or credited to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund pursuant to any other state law, such amount shall be added to the minimum amount required when determining the total amount of relief granted under the Property Tax Credit Act.</i></p>
LB931	Halloran		Transportation and Telecommunications 01/27/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Hughes Priority Bill	Change a harvested products maximum weight overload exception under the Nebraska Rules of the Road
					<p><i>NACO OPPOSE</i> <i>Amends 60-6,298 and 60-6,301. Adds that a vehicle can operate from farm storage to market or factory when failure to move grain or products in abundant quantities would cause an economic loss to the person or persons whose grain or products are being transported or when failure to move such grain or products in as large quantities as possible would not be in the best interests of the national defense or general welfare.</i></p>
LB956	Walz	Support	Health and Human Services 01/29/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Walz Priority Bill	Provide duties regarding managed care contract changes and change audit provisions under the Medical Assistance Act
					<p><i>NHA-S</i></p>

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					<p><i>Amends 68-901 in relation to the Medical Assistance Act; Requires each managed care organization establish procedures for changing an existing provider agreement with a provider.</i></p> <p><i>Those requirements include:</i></p> <p><i>If a managed care organization makes any material change to a provider agreement, the managed care organization shall provide the provider with at least ninety days' notice of the material change. The notice is required to include:</i></p> <p><i>The proposed effective date of the material change;</i></p> <p><i>A description of the material change;</i></p> <p><i>A statement that the provider has the option to either accept or reject the proposed material change;</i></p> <p><i>The name, business address, telephone number, and electronic mail address of a representative of the managed care organization to discuss the material change, if requested by the provider</i></p> <p><i>Notice of the opportunity for a meeting using real-time communication to discuss the proposed changes if requested by the provider, including any mode of telecommunications in which all users can exchange information instantly or with negligible latency.</i></p> <p><i>If requested by the provider, the opportunity to communicate to discuss the proposed changes may occur via electronic mail instead of real-time communication.</i></p> <p><i>Notice that upon three material changes in a twelve-month period, the provider may request a copy of the provider agreement with material changes consolidated into a single document.</i></p> <p><i>For any material change:</i></p> <p><i>The material change shall take effect on the date provided in the notice unless the provider objects to the change</i></p> <p><i>A provider who objects to the material change shall do so in writing and the written protest shall be delivered to the managed care organization within thirty days after the provider's receipt of notice of the proposed material change;</i></p> <p><i>Within thirty days after the receipt of the written objection by the managed care organization, the managed care organization and the provider shall confer in an effort to reach an agreement on the proposed change or any counterproposals offered by the provider; and</i></p> <p><i>If the managed care organization and provider fail to reach an agreement during the thirty-day negotiation period, then thirty days shall be allowed for the parties to unwind their relationship, provide notice to patients and other affected parties, and terminate the provider agreement pursuant to its original terms.</i></p> <p><i>The notice of proposed material change shall be sent in an orange-colored envelope with the phrase ATTENTION! PROVIDER AGREEMENT AMENDMENT ENCLOSED! This color of envelope shall be used for the sole purpose of communicating proposed material changes and shall not be used for other types of communication from a managed care organization.</i></p> <p><i>Any notice required to be mailed shall be sent to the provider's point of contact, as set forth in the provider agreement. If no point of contact is set forth in the provider agreement, the insurer shall send the requisite notice to the provider's place of business addressed to the provider.</i></p> <p><i>AM2827 has incorporated provisions of LB956, LB955, and LB1105 into the amended bill.</i></p>
LB963	Brewer		Business and Labor 01/27/2020	Passed 08/11/2020 McDonnell Priority Bill	Change provisions relating to workers' compensation for injuries to first responders and frontline state employees
			LC - FN REQ		
LB974			Revenue 01/22/2020	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Revenue Priority Bill	Change taxation and school funding provisions
					<p><i>NACO NEUTRAL, NHA-M LC-FN-Req</i></p> <p><i>Amends 77-201, 77-1391, 77-5023, 79-1025, 79-1082, 79-1001, 79-1007.11, 79-1007.18, 79-1009, 79-1015.01, 79-1016, 79-1030, 79-1098, 79-10,100, 79-10,101, 79-10,120, 79-10,126, 77-3442, 77-3446, 79-1003, 79-1005.01, 79-1017.01, 79-1022, 79-1022.02, 79-1023, 79-1027, and 79-1031.01.</i></p> <p><i>Changes tax valuations in relation to real property as follows:</i></p> <p><i>For tax years prior to tax year 2020, such real property shall be valued at its actual value;</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2020, such real property shall be valued at ninety- five percent of its actual value for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and at its actual value for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision;</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2021, such real property shall be valued at ninety percent of its actual value for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and at its actual value for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision; and</i></p>

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and</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2021 and each tax year thereafter, such real property shall be valued at fifty-five percent of its special valuation as defined in section 77-1343 for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and at seventy-five percent of its special valuation as defined in section 77-1343 for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision.</i></p> <p><i>Makes changes to the amount school district may levy as follows:</i></p> <p><i>For fiscal years prior to fiscal year 2023-24, school districts and multiple-district school systems may levy a maximum levy of one dollar and five cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy; and;</i></p> <p><i>For school fiscal year 2023-24 and each school fiscal year thereafter, school districts and multiple-district school systems may levy a maximum levy equal to six cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy plus a levy rate which, when applied to taxable valuation of property subject to the levy, generates an amount equal to the local formula contribution for such fiscal year calculated pursuant to section 79-1015.01.</i></p> <p><i>Excluded from these limitations are:</i></p> <p><i>For fiscal year 2021-22 and each fiscal year thereafter, amounts levied by a school district, with the approval of at least two-thirds of the elected members of the school board of such school district, up to seventy-five percent of any positive difference resulting from subtracting the aid certified pursuant to section 79-1022 for such fiscal year from the January estimate of aid provided pursuant to such section for such fiscal year;</i></p> <p><i>Amounts levied to pay for special building funds and sinking funds established for projects commenced prior to the effective date of this act for construction, expansion, or alteration of school district buildings up to the amount that would be generated by a levy rate equal to the levy rate for such project for the 2019-20 fiscal year.</i></p> <p><i>The base limitation for school districts and for school fiscal year 2019-20 is two percent, and the base limitation for school districts for school fiscal year 2020-21 and each school fiscal year thereafter is the inflation rate for such school fiscal year as certified by the Tax Commissioner, including any adjustments.</i></p> <p><i>Changes the acceptable ranges for agricultural and horticultural land not receiving special valuation as follows:</i></p> <p><i>For tax year prior to tax year 2020, sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of actual value;</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2020, fifty-nine to sixty-five percent of actual value for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of actual value for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision; and</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2021 and each tax year thereafter, forty-nine to thirty-five percent of actual value for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of actual value for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision.</i></p> <p><i>The acceptable ranges for agricultural land and horticultural land receiving special valuation are:</i></p> <p><i>For tax years prior to tax year 2020, sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of special valuation;</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2020, fifty-nine to sixty-five percent of special valuation for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of special valuation for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision; and</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2021 and each tax year thereafter, forty-nine to fifty-five percent of special valuation for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of special valuation for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision.</i></p> <p><i>The acceptable ranges for all other real property are:</i></p> <p><i>For tax years prior to tax year 2020, ninety-two to one hundred percent of actual value;</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2020, eighty-seven to ninety-five percent of actual value for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and ninety-two to one hundred percent of actual value for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision;</i></p> <p><i>For tax year 2021, eighty-two to ninety percent of actual value for purposes of taxes levied by school districts and multiple-district school systems and ninety-two to one hundred percent of actual value for purposes of taxes levied by any other political subdivision; 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and</i></p> <p><i>The aggregate net state sales and use tax collections under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 for the most recently completed calendar year.</i></p> <p><i>For school fiscal year 2020-21, the department shall calculate the foundation aid to be paid to each local system for such school fiscal year.</i></p> <p><i>The foundation aid for each local system shall equal</i></p> <p><i>The fall membership for the certification of state aid pursuant to section 79-1022 or</i></p> <p><i>The average daily membership for the final calculation of state aid pursuant to section 79-1065 for such local system multiplied by the ratio of five percent of the sum of the amounts certified divided by the statewide</i></p> <p><i>Fall membership for the certification of state aid pursuant to section 79-1022 or</i></p> <p><i>Average daily membership for the final calculation of state aid pursuant to section 79-1065.</i></p> <p><i>For school fiscal year 2021-22, the department shall calculate the foundation aid to be paid to each local system for such school fiscal year.</i></p> <p><i>The foundation aid for each local system shall equal</i></p> <p><i>The fall membership for the certification of state aid pursuant to section 79-1022 or</i></p> <p><i>The average daily membership for the final calculation of state aid pursuant to section 79-1065 for such local system multiplied by the ratio of ten percent of the sum of the amounts certified divided by the statewide</i></p> <p><i>Fall membership for the certification of state aid pursuant to section 79-1022 or</i></p> <p><i>Average daily membership for the final calculation of state aid pursuant to section 79-1065.</i></p> <p><i>For school fiscal year 2022-23 and each school fiscal year thereafter, the department shall calculate the foundation aid to be paid to each local system for such school fiscal year.</i></p> <p><i>The foundation aid for each local system shall equal</i></p> <p><i>The fall membership for the certification of state aid pursuant to section 79-1022 or</i></p> <p><i>The average daily membership for the final calculation of state aid pursuant to section 79-1065 for such local system multiplied by the ratio of ten percent of the sum of the amounts certified divided by the statewide</i></p> <p><i>Fall membership for the certification of state aid pursuant to section 79-1022 or</i></p> <p><i>Average daily membership for the final calculation of state aid pursuant to section 79-1065.</i></p> <p><i>If foundation aid calculated pursuant to the above for any local system is not equal to or greater than fifteen percent of the basic funding calculated for such local system for such school fiscal year, such foundation aid shall be increased to equal fifteen percent of such basic funding.</i></p> <p><i>Except for if provided otherwise, for school fiscal year 2021-22 and each school fiscal year thereafter, each school district's formula need shall equal the difference of the sum of the school district's basic funding, poverty allowance, limited English proficiency allowance, focus school and program allowance, summer school allowance, special receipts allowance, transportation allowance, elementary site allowance, distance education and telecommunications allowance, community achievement plan allowance, new community achievement plan adjustment, student growth adjustment, any positive student growth adjustment correction, and new school adjustment minus the sum of the limited English proficiency allowance correction, poverty allowance correction, and any negative student growth adjustment correction.</i></p> <p><i>For school fiscal year 2019-20 and 2020-21, net option funding shall be the product of the net number of option students multiplied by the statewide average basic funding per formula student.</i></p> <p><i>For school fiscal year 2021-22 and each school fiscal year thereafter, net option funding shall be the product of the net number of option students multiplied by the statewide average general fund property taxes per formula student. The statewide average general fund property taxes per formula student shall be calculated by dividing</i></p> <p><i>The aggregate receipts for all school districts for the most recently available complete data year from general fund property tax levies, the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund, homestead exemption reimbursements, and personal property tax exemption reimbursements by</i></p> <p><i>The aggregate formula students for all local systems for the school fiscal year for which aid is being calculated.</i></p> <p><i>On or before April 15, 2020, on or before November 15, 2020, and on or before November 15 of each year thereafter, the Tax Commissioner shall calculate and certify to the department the inflation rate and, beginning in 2020, the local formula contribution inflation rate for the immediately following school fiscal year.</i></p>

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					<p><i>Except as provided otherwise, the inflation rate for each school fiscal year shall be calculated by</i></p> <p><i>Subtracting the cost index, as defined in section 79-1003, immediately preceding the most recent cost index from the most recent cost index and</i></p> <p><i>Dividing the difference by the cost index immediately preceding the most recent cost index. The most recent cost index for each school fiscal year is the most recent cost index available at the time of the certification pursuant to this subsection.</i></p> <p><i>If the inflation rate is greater than two and one-half percent, the inflation rate shall equal two and one-half percent.</i></p> <p><i>If the inflation rate is less than zero percent, the inflation rate shall equal zero percent.</i></p> <p><i>For school fiscal year 2023-24 and each school fiscal year thereafter, for both state aid certified pursuant to section 79-1022 and for the final calculation of state aid pursuant to section 79-1065, the local formula contribution for each local system shall equal the lesser of the local effort rate yield or the inflation rate yield.</i></p> <p><i>The local effort rate yield for each local system shall equal the product of the local system's total adjusted valuation multiplied by a local effort rate of one dollar per one hundred dollars of adjusted valuation</i></p> <p><i>The inflation rate yield for each local system shall equal the sum of</i></p> <p><i>The local formula contribution for such local system for the school fiscal year immediately preceding the school fiscal year for which aid is being calculated adjusted by the local formula contribution inflation rate plus</i></p> <p><i>The product of the local system's adjusted valuation for the total real property growth value multiplied by a local effort rate of one dollar per one hundred dollars of adjusted valuation.</i></p> <p><i>For school fiscal year 2020-21, except as provided otherwise, each school district shall have budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures equal to the lesser of</i></p> <p><i>The budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures or</i></p> <p><i>The greater of</i></p> <p><i>The general fund expenditures for school fiscal year 2018-19 minus any expenditures that qualified for an exclusion from the budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures for such school fiscal year with the difference increased by the basic allowable growth rate for school fiscal year 2020-21</i></p> <p><i>The general fund expenditures for school fiscal year 2019-20 minus any expenditures that qualified for an exclusion from the budget authority for the general fund budget of expenditures for such school fiscal year with the difference increased</i></p> <p><i>By the basic allowable growth rate for school fiscal year 2019 pursuant to section 79-1025 and then</i></p> <p><i>By an amount equal to any student growth adjustment calculated for school fiscal year 2020-21, or</i></p> <p><i>One hundred ten percent of formula need for school fiscal year 2020 minus the special education expenditures for school fiscal year 2018 with such special education expenditures increased by the basic allowable growth rate for school fiscal year 2020-21.</i></p> <p><i>Allows that on or after the effective date of this act a school board or board of education of any school district may establish a special fund pursuant to this subsection only for purposes of:</i></p> <p><i>Acquiring sites for school buildings or teacherages;</i></p> <p><i>Purchasing existing buildings for use as teacherages, including the sites upon which such buildings are located;</i></p> <p><i>Purchasing or entering into a lease-purchase agreement for relocatable classroom buildings;</i></p> <p><i>Major replacement repairs on existing structures owned or leased by the school district; and</i></p> <p><i>The alteration, equipping, and furnishing of school buildings or teacherages.</i></p> <p><i>Any fund established shall be established from the proceeds of an annual tax levy, to be determined by the board, not to exceed six cents on each one hundred dollars of taxable value of all taxable property in the district.</i></p> <p><i>Such tax shall be in addition to any other taxes authorized to be levied for school purposes and shall be within the limits contained in sections 77-3442 and 79-1098. Such tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as other taxes levied for school purposes.</i></p> <p><i>On and after the effective date of this act, the school board or board of education of any school district may, only after a vote pursuant to section 79-1098, establish a special fund for purposes of erecting, purchasing, or entering into a lease-purchase agreement for a new school building or an addition to a school building for elementary and high school grades.</i></p> <p><i>Any fund established under this subsection shall be established from the proceeds of an annual tax levy approved by the people of the school district pursuant to section 79-1098 for such purpose not to exceed fourteen cents on each one hundred dollars of taxable value of all taxable property in the school district. Such tax shall be in addition to any other taxes authorized to be levied for school purposes and shall be within the limits contained in sections 77-3442 and 79-1098.</i></p> <p><i>Such tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as other taxes levied or school purposes.</i></p> <p><i>The school board or board of education of any school district may continue an annual tax established pursuant to this section prior to the effective date of this act through school fiscal year 2026-27 for any project commenced prior to the effective date of this act.</i></p> <p><i>Any annual tax continued pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed the rate levied for such project for school fiscal year 2019-20.</i></p> <p><i>The proceeds of any such annual tax shall only be used for the project for which the tax was levied.</i></p>

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					<p><i>On or before October 1, 2020, the school board or board of education of any school district that levied an annual tax for school fiscal year 2019-20 shall file with the Auditor of Public Accounts a statement describing any projects for which an annual tax may be continued, the rate levied for school fiscal year 2019-20 attributable to each such project, and the anticipated completion date for each such project.</i></p> <p><i>The proceeds of any annual tax imposed shall be kept separate and apart from other school district funds, except that such proceeds may be combined with amounts levied and collected under sections 79-1098 to 79-10,101 for the same project.</i></p> <p><i>On or before October 31, 2020, on or before October 31, 2021, and on or before October 31, 2022, a school district may apply to the State Department of Education for transition aid for the then current school fiscal year if such school district:</i></p> <p><i>Has a levy of one dollar and five cents per one hundred dollars of taxable valuation of property subject to the levy for the then current fiscal year; and</i></p> <p><i>Has a total budget of disbursements and transfers for the then current school fiscal year that is less than the total budget of disbursements and transfers for the immediately preceding school fiscal year for such school district by a difference of at least one percent of such total budget of disbursements and transfers for the immediately preceding school fiscal year.</i></p> <p><i>The department shall calculate and disburse transition aid for each applicant school district equal to the difference of the total budget of disbursements and transfers for the immediately preceding school fiscal year minus the total budget of disbursements and transfers for the then current school fiscal year multiplied by:</i></p> <p><i>One hundred percent for school fiscal year 2020-21,</i></p> <p><i>Seventy-five percent for school fiscal year 2021-22, and</i></p> <p><i>Fifty percent for school fiscal year 2022-23.</i></p> <p><i>If the total amount of transition aid for all applicant school districts for any school fiscal year for which transition aid is calculated is greater than the amount appropriated by the Legislature for such purpose, the transition aid for each applicant school district shall be reduced proportionally such that the total transition aid to be paid to all applicant school districts equals the amount appropriated by the Legislature for such purpose.</i></p> <p><i>If the transition aid calculated for any school district is greater than five hundred thousand dollars, transition aid for such school district shall be paid in one lump-sum payment on the last business day of November. All other transition aid shall be paid to school districts in eight monthly payments on the last business day of each month beginning in November of such school fiscal year.</i></p> <p><i>Transition aid shall be paid from the appropriation made for such purpose.</i></p>
LB996	Brandt		Transportation and Telecommunications 02/03/2020	Approved by Governor (E-Clause) 07/27/2020 Brandt Priority Bill	<p>Provide for a government Internet network use policy for the Legislature and create the Broadband Data Improvement Program</p> <p><i>NM Review Req</i> <i>NACO SUPPORT</i></p> <p><i>Amends 86-101. Updated the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation Act. Creates the Broadband Data Improvement Program.</i></p> <p><i>Purpose of the program is to:</i></p> <p><i>Complement the granular broadband availability data submitted by service providers to the Federal Communications Commission or the Universal Service Administrative Company;</i></p> <p><i>Leverage the Federal Communication Commission's Digital Opportunity Data Collection to improve Nebraska's broadband map; and</i></p> <p><i>Encourage Nebraskans to participate in crowdsourcing efforts developed to enhance federal broadband mapping.</i></p> <p><i>Grants the Public Service Commission ability to:</i></p> <p><i>Participate in the Federal Communication Commission's Digital Opportunity Data Collection, as such collection existed on January 1, 2020</i></p> <p><i>In the absence of a federal program to crowdsource broadband data, develop a state-based broadband data crowdsource program if it is determined by the commission that doing so would improve Nebraska's broadband map;</i></p> <p><i>Develop a statewide outreach plan to promote citizen participation in a state or federal broadband data crowdsource program;</i></p> <p><i>Allocate resources to areas of the state where public feedback, crowdsourcing, or other evidence suggests that the federal broadband data may be inaccurate</i></p> <p><i>Prioritize data improvement in rural areas, including those areas within any city of the first class, city of the second class, village, or unincorporated area of a county; and</i></p> <p><i>Adhere to any guidelines established by the Federal Communications Commission for states to improve data.</i></p> <p><i>Delegates to the Public Service Commission the ability to adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the purposes of this section.</i></p>

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LB1002	Bostelman		Health and Human Services 02/13/2020	Passed with E- Clause 08/11/2020 Bostelman Priority Bill	Change provisions relating to wholesale drug distribution for emergency medical reasons
<p><i>NHA-M</i> <i>Amends 71-7436 and 71-7444. Adds that wholesale drug distribution does not include the sale, purchase, or trade of or an offer to sell, purchase, or trade a prescription drug for an emergency medical service to use for the provision of emergency medical care, not to exceed five percent of sales.</i></p>					
LB1003	Walz		Urban Affairs 02/18/2020	Approved by Governor (E- Clause) 08/11/2020 Urban Affairs Priority Bill	Change provisions relating to cities and villages
<p><i>NACO NEUTRAL</i> <i>Amends 17-405.01. Gives The mayor and two-thirds of the city council of any city of the second class or the chairperson and two-thirds of the members of the village board of trustees the power to annex any lands, lots, tracts, streets, or highways when such annexation is for the purpose of relocating part or all of such city or village due to catastrophic flooding, notwithstanding that such lands, lots, tracts, streets, or highways are not contiguous or adjacent or are not urban or suburban in character. If, within five years following an annexation undertaken pursuant to this subsection, part or all of the city or village has not been relocated to the annexed area, the city or village shall initiate disconnection of such annexed area.</i></p> <p><i>Contains provisions of: LB795, 799, 801, 821, 885, 957, 984, 993</i></p>					
LB1021	Groene		Urban Affairs 02/18/2020	Passed 08/13/2020 Groene Priority Bill	Provide for an expedited review of certain redevelopment plans under the Community Development Law
<p><i>NACO WATCH</i> <i>Amends 18-2108, 18-2110, 18-2111, 18-2112, 18-2114, 18-2117, 77-1704.01, 18-2113, 18-2115, 18-2116, 18-2117.01, and 18-2147, 18-2101.</i> <i>A redevelopment plan with which the governing body of the city in which the redevelopment project area is located has approved the redevelopment plan shall receive an expedited review and shall be exempt from the requirements of sections 18-2111 to 18-2115 and 18-2116.</i> <i>A redevelopment plan is eligible for expedited review if:</i> <i>The redevelopment plan includes only one redevelopment project;</i> <i>The redevelopment project involves the repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of an existing structure located within a substandard and blighted area;</i> <i>The redevelopment project is located in a county with a population of less than one hundred thousand inhabitants or in an area that has been declared an extremely blighted area</i> <i>The existing structure is at least fifty years old; and</i> <i>The redevelopment project dollar amount is no more than:</i> <i>Two hundred fifty thousand dollars for a redevelopment project involving a single-family residential structure;</i> <i>One million dollars for a redevelopment project involving a multi-family residential structure or commercial structure; or</i> <i>Ten million dollars for a redevelopment project involving the revitalization of a structure included in the National Register of Historic Places.</i> <i>The expedited review shall consist of the following steps:</i> <i>A redeveloper shall prepare the redevelopment plan using a standard form developed by the Department of Economic Development.</i> <i>The form shall include</i> <i>The existing uses and condition of the property within the redevelopment project area,</i> <i>The proposed uses of the property within the redevelopment project area,</i> <i>The current age of the existing structure,</i> <i>The current assessed value of the property within the redevelopment project area,</i> <i>The increase in the assessed value of the property within the redevelopment project area that is estimated to occur as a result of the redevelopment project, and</i></p>					

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					<p>(vi) an indication of whether the redevelopment project will be financed in whole or in part through the division of taxes as provided in section 18-2147; The redeveloper shall submit the redevelopment plan directly to the governing body along with any building permit necessary to complete the redevelopment project and an application fee in an amount set by the governing body, not to exceed fifty dollars; and The governing body shall then approve the redevelopment plan if the requirements are met. Each city may select the appropriate employee or department to conduct expedited reviews pursuant to this section. If an approved redevelopment project is financed in whole or in part through the division of taxes, the portion of taxes mentioned in subdivision (1)(b) of section 18-2147 shall not be disbursed until the county assessor determines that the redevelopment project is complete. Projects must be completed within two years after receiving approval under this section. If a county assessor determines that a project is complete, he or she shall certify: That improvements have been made and completed; That a valuation increase has occurred; The amount of the valuation increase; and That the valuation increase was due to the improvements made. Once the county assessor has certified that the redevelopment project is complete, the portion of the taxes mentioned in subdivision (1)(b) of section 18-2147 shall be paid directly to the property owner by the governing body. On or before December 1 of each year, each city which has approved one or more redevelopment plans under this section shall provide a report to the Property Tax Administrator which includes the following information: The total number of redevelopment projects approved under this section each calendar year; For those projects that are financed in whole or in part through the division of taxes as provided in section 18-2147, the total redevelopment project valuation for all such projects and the total amount of property taxes collected on such valuation; and The total number of completed redevelopment projects for which payments have been made pursuant to subsection (6) of this section.</p>
LB1056	Lowe		General Affairs 02/03/2020	Passed with E- Clause 08/11/2020 General Affairs Priority Bill	<p>Change provisions of the Nebraska Liquor Control Act and the Nebraska Lottery and Raffle Act</p> <p>NACO WATCH LC - FC Req. The bill was introduced in response to a number of increases provided to the Liquor Control Commission on SDLs. It would allow for an temporary expansion of a currently licensed premise so that it would not require an SDL. Provisions of LB980 and LB943 have been amended into LB1056</p>
LB1062	Lathrop		Judiciary 02/19/2020	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Judiciary Priority Bill	<p>Allow the Department of Correctional Services to establish a predischarge reentry pilot program</p> <p>Amends 47-801. Allows for the Department of Correctional Services to contract with a provider to establish a residential pre-discharge reentry program to provide placement and services for individuals committed to the department who are parole-eligible, will be eligible for parole within twelve months, or are within twelve months of their mandatory discharge date. To be eligible for a contract, a pre-discharge reentry program must: Be located in a county with a population of one hundred thousand inhabitants or less; Have demonstrated compliance with federal standards for a residential reentry center or pretrial shelter; and Have experience providing services to individuals under the supervision of the Board of Parole or Office of Probation Administration. Any placement under the above shall be intended to provide any or all of the following: Employment opportunities; Educational opportunities; and Outpatient substance abuse treatment. Any placement under this section shall be considered a placement in an institution under the jurisdiction of the Department of Correctional Services. The above terminates on July 1, 2022. The Private Prison Contracting Act does not apply to the above</p>

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LB1074	Linehan		Revenue 01/31/2020	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Revenue Priority Bill	Change provisions relating to the assessment of improvements on leased lands and the collection of certain fees and taxes
					<i>NACO WATCH LC - FC Req</i> <i>Amends 77-1376, 81-15,164, and 81-3722. Requires that improvements on leased lands, other than leased public lands, be assessed to the owner of the leased lands unless on or before March 1. Requires that the fees imposed on tires be due and payable to the Tax Commissioner on or before the twenty-fifth day of the month following the monthly, quarterly, or annual period used for remitting sales taxes. Requires that any sales tax on transient lodging imposed under the Nebraska Visitors Development Act be due and payable to the Tax Commissioner on or before the twenty-fifth day of the month following the monthly, quarterly, or annual period used for remitting sales taxes.</i>
LB1107	Scheer		Revenue 02/19/2020	Passed with E- Clause 08/13/2020 Speaker Priority Bill	Change property tax provisions relating to notice of preliminary valuations
					<i>NACO WATCH</i> <i>Amends 77-1301. Changes "Such" to "The" with no substantial affect to the current statute.</i>
LB1124	Howard		Health and Human Services 02/13/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Speaker Priority Bill	Adopt the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Act
					<i>NACO WATCH, NHA-S</i> <i>Adopts the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Act. Purpose is to provide for the use of dedicated revenue for opioid-disorder-related treatment and prevention. Any funds appropriated or distributed under the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Act shall not be considered ongoing entitlements or an obligation on the part of the State of Nebraska. Any funds appropriated or distributed under the act shall be spent in accordance with the terms of any verdict, judgment, compromise, or settlement in or out of court, of any case or controversy brought by the Attorney General pursuant to the Consumer Protection Act or the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act. The Department of Health and Human Services shall report annually on or before December 15 to the Legislature, the Governor, and the Attorney General regarding the use of funds appropriated under the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Act and the outcomes achieved from such use.</i> <i>Creates the Nebraska Opioid Recovery Fund.</i> <i>Fund shall include:</i> <i>All recoveries received on behalf of the state by the Department of Justice pursuant to the Consumer Protection Act or the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act related to the advertising of opioids.</i> <i>Any money, payments, or other things of value in the nature of civil damages or other payment, except criminal penalties, whether such recovery is by way of verdict, judgment, compromise, or settlement in or out of court, of any case or controversy pursuant to such acts.</i> <i>Fund shall exclude:</i> <i>Funds held in a trust capacity where specific benefits accrue to specific individuals, organizations, political subdivisions, or governments.</i>
LB1130	Groene		Revenue 02/12/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Speaker Priority Bill	Change provisions relating to agreements and application deadlines under the Mutual Finance Assistance Act
					<i>NACO WATCH</i> <i>Amends 35-1204 and 35-1207. Adds then members of a mutual finance organization that created an agreement pursuant to the Interlocal Cooperation Act or the Joint Public Agency Act need not levy agreed-upon property tax rate during the same year.</i> <i>The agreement must, however, contain a statement of the agreed-upon maximum property tax rate. Requires that an application from a rural or suburban fire protection district or mutual finance organization seeking funds pursuant to the Mutual Finance Assistance Act be submitted to the State Treasurer by September 20 rather than July 1.</i> <i>These applications should then be reviewed by November 4th rather than August 15th.</i> <i>The funds should then be distributed on or before January 20th and May 20th.</i>

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LB1140			Health and Human Services 02/05/2020	Approved by Governor (E-Clause) 08/11/2020 Health and Human Services Priority Bill	Change provisions relating to youth rehabilitation and treatment centers and placement of juveniles
<p><i>New provisions related to youth rehabilitation and treatment centers. Establishes that each youth rehabilitation and treatment center shall be considered a separate placement. Requires that each treatment center provide:</i></p> <p><i>Safe and sanitary space for sleeping, hygiene, education, programming, treatment, recreation, and visitation for each juvenile;</i></p> <p><i>Health care and medical services;</i></p> <p><i>Appropriate physical separation and segregation of juveniles based on gender;</i></p> <p><i>Sufficient staffing to comply with state and federal law and protect the safety and security of each juvenile;</i></p> <p><i>Training that is specific to the population being served at the youth rehabilitation and treatment center;</i></p> <p><i>A facility administrator for each youth rehabilitation and treatment center who has the sole responsibility for administration of a single youth rehabilitation and treatment center;</i></p> <p><i>An evaluation process for the development of an individualized treatment plan within fourteen days of admission to the youth rehabilitation and treatment center;</i></p> <p><i>An age-appropriate and developmentally-appropriate education program for each juvenile that can award relevant and necessary credits toward high school graduation that will be accepted by the juvenile's home school district;</i></p> <p><i>A case management and coordination process, designed to assure appropriate reintegration of the juvenile to his or her family, school, and community;</i></p> <p><i>Compliance with the requirements stated within Title XIX and 29 Title IV-E of the federal Social Security Act, as such act existed on 30 January 1, 2020, the Special Education Act, or other funding guidelines as appropriate;</i></p> <p><i>Research-based or evidence-based programming for all juveniles that includes a strong academic program as well as classes in health education, living skills, vocational training, behavior management and modification, money management, family and parent responsibilities, substance abuse awareness, physical education, job skills training, and job placement assistance;</i></p> <p><i>Research-based or evidence-based treatment services for behavioral impairments, severe emotional disturbances, sex offender behaviors, other mental health or psychiatric disorders, drug and alcohol addiction, victims of physical or sexual abuse, and any other treatment indicated by the juvenile's individualized treatment plan. Requires that each youth rehabilitation and treatment center electronically submit a report of its activities for the preceding fiscal year to the Clerk of the Legislature on or before July 15 of each year.</i></p> <p><i>The annual report shall include, but not be limited to:</i></p> <p><i>Data on the populations served, including, but not be limited to, admissions, average daily census, average length of stay, and race and ethnicity;</i></p> <p><i>An overview of programming and services; and</i></p> <p><i>An overview of any facility issues or facility improvements.</i></p> <p>Contains provisions of: LB1141, LB1142, LB1143, LB1145</p>					

LB1144			Executive Board 02/04/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Howard Priority Bill	Change provisions relating to youth rehabilitation and treatment centers and state institutions, create the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center Special Oversight Committee of the Legislature, and provide duties for the Public Counsel
<p><i>Amends 81-8,251 and 43-4318. Requires the Officer of Juvenile Services to report to the Office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare as soon as reasonably possible after any of the following instances occur at a youth rehabilitation and treatment center:</i></p> <p><i>An assault;</i></p> <p><i>An escape or elopement;</i></p> <p><i>An attempted suicide;</i></p> <p><i>Self-harm by a juvenile;</i></p> <p><i>Property damage not caused by normal wear and tear;</i></p> <p><i>The use of mechanical restraints on a juvenile;</i></p> <p><i>A significant medical event for a juvenile; and</i></p>					

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					<p><i>Internally substantiated violations of 34 U.S.C. 30301 et seq., as such act existed on January 1, 2020.</i></p> <p><i>Requires the Department of Health and Human Services to notify the office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare of any leadership changes within the Office of Juvenile Services or the youth rehabilitation and treatment centers.</i></p> <p><i>Makes it the intent of the Legislature to establish a reporting system in order to provide increased accountability and oversight regarding the treatment of juveniles in youth rehabilitation and treatment centers. Requires the Department of Health and Human Services beginning on October 1, 2020, to submit a report electronically to the office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare each January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. Such report shall include:</i></p> <p><i>The number of grievances filed at each youth rehabilitation and treatment center separated by facility;</i></p> <p><i>A categorization of the issues to which each grievance relates and the number of grievances received in each category;</i></p> <p><i>The process for addressing such grievances; and</i></p> <p><i>Any actions or changes made as a result of such grievances.</i></p> <p><i>Requires the Public Counsel on or before December 15 of each year to submit a report electronically to the Clerk of the Legislature regarding state institutions as directed below.</i></p> <p><i>Requires the office of the Public Counsel to conduct an annual review and physical inspection of the following state institutions:</i></p> <p><i>The Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Geneva;</i></p> <p><i>The Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Kearney;</i></p> <p><i>The Hastings Regional Center;</i></p> <p><i>The Lincoln Regional Center;</i></p> <p><i>The Norfolk Regional Center; and</i></p> <p><i>The Beatrice State Developmental Center.</i></p> <p><i>Such inspection shall include a review of the condition of buildings and grounds, physical wear and tear of buildings, fixtures, equipment, furniture, security systems, and any improvements to the facility.</i></p> <p><i>Contains provisions of: LR298, LB1085</i></p>
LB1148	Vargas	Monitor	Judiciary 02/06/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Hilkemann Priority Bill	<p>Provide and change requirements for reports of abuse and neglect and placement and treatment of juveniles</p> <p><i>The bill appears to be a response to the issues raised following action by the Department in the fall to house individuals at the Lancaster County Youth detention facility. It includes provisions that would prohibit the use of the secure detention facility by the state on page 18 at lines 5 – 8.</i></p> <p><i>Contains provisions of: LB875, LB458, LB906, LB969, LB1148</i></p>
LB1158	Arch		Health and Human Services 02/19/2020	Approved by Governor (E- Clause) 08/11/2020 Arch Priority Bill	<p>Change contract provisions and provide duties regarding job-skills programs under the Medical Assistance Act</p> <p><i>NM Review Req, NHA-M</i></p> <p><i>Amends 68-901.</i></p> <p><i>Changes are in relation to the Medical Assistance Act</i></p> <p><i>Requires that beginning on October 1, 2021, the Department of Health and Human Services inform each applicant for medical assistance about job-skills programs within the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Labor, or other skill-based programs that could assist the applicant for medical assistance in obtaining job skills or training, employment, higher-paying jobs, or related skills.</i></p> <p><i>The Department of Health and Human Services shall connect interested applicants to such job-skills programs.</i></p> <p><i>Requires that beginning February 1, 2022, and within thirty days of the expiration of each subsequent calendar quarter within the years 2022 and 2023, the Department of Health and Human Services report electronically to the Clerk of the Legislature on the total number of applicants for medical assistance who were referred to job-skills programs and any services received by applicants for medical assistance.</i></p>

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					<p><i>Requires that beginning January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2023, the Department of Labor report quarterly to the Department of Health and Human Services the number of applicants for medical assistance who were referred to job-skills programs, the number of applicants for medical assistance who received help obtaining job skills or training, employment, higher-paying jobs, or related skills, and the types of services received.</i></p> <p><i>Requires the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Labor to administer the above.</i></p> <p><i>Contains provisions of LB1158 and LB836.</i></p>
LB1188	Howard		Health and Human Services 02/06/2020	Approved by Governor 08/11/2020 Kolowski Priority Bill	<p>Change provisions relating to youth rehabilitation and treatment centers</p> <p><i>Amends 43-401 and 79-1119.01. Additions are in relation to the Juvenile Services Act.</i></p> <p><i>Requires that on or before August 1, 2020, the Office of Juvenile Services establish the position of superintendent of schools to administer the education programs for the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Kearney and the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Geneva and hire an individual meeting the qualifications required under section 79-801 to fill such position.</i></p> <p><i>Whenever a vacancy arises in such position, the Office of Juvenile Services is required to expediently hire another individual meeting the qualifications required under section 79-801 to fill such position. Requires that on and after August 1, 2021, the education services for any juvenile committed to the Office of Juvenile Services be provided by a school or program meeting the requirements for an interim-program school, an approved school, or an accredited school as provided in Chapter 79. Adds a youth rehabilitation and treatment center to the meaning of interim-program school starting August 1, 2021.</i></p> <p><i>Contains provisions of: LB1147, LB1149</i></p>
LB1218	Wayne	Monitor	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs 02/13/2020	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Wayne Priority Bill	<p>Adopt the Nebraska Historically Underutilized Business Program Act</p> <p><i>LB 1218 is the Nebraska Historically Underutilized Business Program Act. The purpose of the act is to promote full and equal business opportunities for all businesses in an effort to remedy disparity in state and local procurement and contracting.</i></p> <p><i>Section 3 defines terms for the act.</i></p> <p><i>Section 4 allows for businesses to become certified as an historically underutilized business (HUB) and retain that certification for five years, as long as the business' certification status does not change. The Department of Labor and Department of Transportation may conduct any necessary investigation to determine qualifications for the program. A business must complete an annual affidavit of certification and may recertify up to three times, for a maximum of fifteen years. The Department of Labor shall maintain a list of all businesses that have been certified and the nature of the business along with its capacity to perform the work.</i></p> <p><i>Section 5 requires each constitutional office, state agency, and political subdivision to make a good faith effort to utilize HUBs in contracts for construction, services, and commodities purchases. The statewide HUB goals for the procurement categories are as follows:</i></p> <p><i>? 10% for heavy construction other than building contracts; ? 20% for all building construction, including general contractors and operative builders contracts; ? 20% for all special trade construction contracts; ? 10% for professional services contracts ? 10% for all other services contracts; and ? 10% for commodities contracts.</i></p> <p><i>Government entities shall establish their own specific HUB goals for each procurement category. At a minimum, the statewide HUB goals should be each government entity's starting point for establishing specific goals.</i></p> <p><i>Section 6 sets forth priorities that, if there is an adequate number of qualified and certified HUBs, first priority shall be given to Tier 1 HUBs; and then Tier II HUBs, followed by Tier III HUBs. Any business receiving a sales and use tax incentive from this state shall receive an additional 1% of such sales and use tax incentive for utilizing a Tier I HUB. 0.5% for utilizing a Tier II or Tier III HUB. Total incentives awarded shall not exceed five million dollars for all businesses. Each government entity that considers entering into a contract with an expected value of one hundred thousand dollars or more over the life of the contract shall determine whether subcontracting opportunities are probable. If so, the government entity shall require that each bid, proposal, offer, or other applicable expression of interest include a HUB subcontracting plan as set forth in section 5.</i></p>

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					<p><i>Section 9 requires the Department of Labor to offer HUBs assistance and training regarding state procurement procedures. A government entity with a biennial budget that exceeds ten million dollars in contracts shall designate a staff member to service as the HUB coordinator for the agency. The position of coordinator must be at least equal to the position of procurement director.</i></p> <p><i>Section 10 requires the Department of Labor to compile, in the most cost-efficient form, a directory of businesses certified as HUBs. The directory shall be updated and provide access electronically or in another acceptable form to each government entity.</i></p> <p><i>Section 11 requires the Department of Labor to design a mentor-protégé program to foster long-term relationships between prime contractors and HUBs and to increase the ability of HUBs to contract with the state or to receive subcontracts under a state contract.</i></p> <p><i>Section 15 allows the Director of Administrative Services to adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to administer the Nebraska Historically Underutilized Business Program Act.</i></p>
LR279CA	Scheer		Executive Board 01/22/2020	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Executive Board Priority Bill	Constitutional amendment to authorize an increase in the number of members of the Legislature
					<p><i>Constitutional Amendment. Proposes the Legislature consist of no more than 55 members rather than the current 50.</i></p>
LR300CA	Erdman	Oppose	Revenue 02/12/2020	IPP (Killed) 08/13/2020 Erdman Priority Bill	Constitutional amendment to prohibit all forms of taxation other than a consumption tax
					<p><i>NACO WATCH. Specifically prohibits all political subdivisions of the state from imposing any tax except for a single rate consumption tax.</i></p>