

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 406

Introduced by McDonnell, 5.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to explore the development of an institution dedicated to providing instruction, orientation, and ongoing professional development specifically tailored for elected officials and office holders in Nebraska. The potential institute shall aim to enhance governance through improved collaboration, leadership, and informed decisionmaking among Nebraska's public servants.

This study shall include, but not be limited to, collaboration with the following entities:

(1) Current and former elected officials at various levels of government within Nebraska;

(2) Academic institutions with public administration, political science, and leadership programs;

(3) Private sector leaders with experience in governance and leadership training;

(4) Nonprofit organizations focused on government accountability and transparency; and

(5) Public and private funding entities interested in supporting governance and leadership development.

The study should also explore the following:

(1) The feasibility of establishing an institute for collaboration and leadership for elected officials and office holders in Nebraska, including potential governance structures and locations;

(2) The core curriculum and orientation programs that would address the unique needs and challenges faced by elected officials and office holders, including ethical governance, public policy formulation, and constituent

services;

(3) Potential public and private funding sources and models to ensure the institute's sustainability and accessibility to all elected officials and office holders in Nebraska;

(4) Best practices from similar institutions in other states or countries, including lessons learned and key success factors; and

(5) The potential impact of such an institute on enhancing the effectiveness, efficiency, and collaboration of Nebraska's public servants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.