

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 193

Introduced by Avery, 28.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study the role of political parties in the election process. In 2013, the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee considered LB 450 which sought to clarify the role of the county clerk or election commissioner when a political party decides to caucus to elect delegates to the county convention. LB 450 raised larger questions about the role of political parties in the election system and, specifically, whether state law should be changed to allow political parties more discretion to operate through their own rules.

The issues to be examined by this study will include how political parties elect delegates to national conventions, how political parties should conduct county and state postprimary conventions, and how state law should be changed to provide clarity when a political party holds a caucus instead of a primary. Representatives of the Secretary of State's office and the political parties, along with other interested parties, shall be invited to participate in this study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST 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.