#### SIXTH DAY - JANUARY 16, 2013

#### LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

# ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION

#### SIXTH DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska Wednesday, January 16, 2013

#### PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Brasch.

#### ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 11:00 a.m., Senator Gloor presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present.

#### CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the fifth day was approved.

## REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

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Lahm, Rhonda - Director, Department of Motor Vehicles - Transportation and Telecommunications

(Signed) John Wightman, Chairperson Executive Board

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The Transportation and Telecommunications Committee elected Senator Smith as Vice Chairperson.

#### NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARINGS

Health and Human Services

Room 1510

Wednesday, January 23, 2013 1:30 p.m.

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(Signed) Kathy Campbell, Chairperson

# Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

#### Room 1507

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LB137

# (Signed) Bill Avery, Chairperson

# Judiciary

#### Room 1113

Friday, January 25, 2013 1:30 p.m.

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LB151

(Signed) Brad Ashford, Chairperson

#### Natural Resources

#### Room 1525

Wednesday, January 23, 2013 1:30 p.m.

LB102 LB16

(Signed) Tom Carlson, Chairperson

#### **BILLS ON FIRST READING**

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 239.** Introduced by Wightman, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to health care; to adopt the Nebraska All-Payer Patient-Centered Medical Home Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 240.** Introduced by Harms, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Welfare Reform Act; to amend section 68-1735.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to self-sufficiency contracts and work activity requirements; and to repeal the original section.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 241. Introduced by Sullivan, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to county officers; to amend sections 32-517, 32-518, 32-520, 32-521, 32-522, 32-523, 32-525, 32-526, 32-528, and 32-529, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 32-101, 32-519, and 32-524, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to authorize voters to vote regarding partisan or nonpartisan ballots for nomination and election of county officers in certain counties; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 242.** Introduced by Howard, 9; Mello, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to administrative rules and regulations; to amend section 84-901.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to adoption and promulgation of rules and regulations; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 243. Introduced by Howard, 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nurse Practitioner Practice Act; to amend section 38-2315, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to

redefine nurse practitioner practice; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 244.** Introduced by Brasch, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the State Electrical Act; to amend sections 81-2113, 81-2117.01, and 81-2118, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 81-2104, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to require apprentices to complete continuing education; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 245.** Introduced by Nordquist, 7; Campbell, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-955, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the preferred drug list; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 246.** Introduced by Larson, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to correctional health care; to amend sections 47-701 and 47-704, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 83-1,135, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide for a copayment; to provide exemptions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 247.** Introduced by Larson, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Juvenile Code; to amend section 43-290, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to costs of care and treatment and reimbursement by parents; and to repeal the original section.

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 248. Introduced by Larson, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Employment Security Law; to amend sections 48-601, 48-602, and 48-628, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 48-604, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide for seasonal employers and when benefits are paid to seasonal employees; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 249.** Introduced by Dubas, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 60-463 and 60-465, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-462, 75-362, 75-363, 75-364, and 75-366, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to define and redefine terms in the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act and in motor carrier provisions; to change motor carrier provisions relating to covered farm vehicles and drivers transporting agricultural commodities or farm supplies; to update federal references; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an

emergency.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 250.** Introduced by Dubas, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend section 66-1418, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 60-3,198, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to the issuance of trip permits; and to repeal the original sections.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 251. Introduced by Hansen, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-4501, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change a fee relating to the rental of motor vehicles; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 252.** Introduced by Adams, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to postsecondary education; to amend sections 85-161, 85-162.03, 85-304, and 85-931, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to correct and change subdivision numbering and references to governmental entities; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 253.** Introduced by Adams, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend sections 79-401 and 79-862, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to correct a reference to a governmental entity and a statutory reference; and to repeal the original sections.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 254.** Introduced by Adams, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission; to amend section 81-1120.24, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to correct a reference to the commission and change statutory references; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 255.** Introduced by McGill, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 27-804, 28-801, 28-801.01, 28-804, 28-805, 28-830, and 28-831, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 28-707, 28-802, 28-1354, 43-248, and 43-250, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide for a hearsay exception; to change provisions relating to child abuse; to change provisions and penalties relating to prostitution, solicitation of prostitution, pandering, keeping a place of prostitution, and debauching a minor; to require publication of names and addresses of persons convicted of solicitation of prostitution as prescribed; to change and provide provisions and penalties relating to human trafficking offenses; to direct the

Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice to collect and analyze information relating to such offenses; to eliminate obsolete material; to provide immunity from prosecution for prostitution for persons under eighteen years of age and further procedures as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 28-832. Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 256.** Introduced by McGill, 26; Pirsch, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to property; to amend sections 28-439, 28-440, 28-441, 28-442, 28-445, 28-1439.02, 28-1439.03, 37-1299, 37-12,102, 60-1901, 60-1903.01, and 81-2004.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate provisions relating to criminal forfeiture; to provide for civil forfeiture as prescribed; to provide legislative intent; to harmonize provisions; to provide a duty for the Revisor of Statutes; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 28-431, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 257.** Introduced by McCoy, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to municipal counties; to amend sections 13-2801 and 13-2809, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the creation of municipal counties; to change a restriction on annexation; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 258.** Introduced by Sullivan, 41; Harms, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-609, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to prohibit use of interactive wireless communication devices by school bus drivers as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 259.** Introduced by Karpisek, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act; to amend sections 9-601 and 9-603, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define a term; to exempt keno writers from licensure; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 260.** Introduced by Gloor, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Behavioral Health Services Act; to amend section 71-810, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change requirements for a data and information system as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 261. Introduced by Gloor, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to adopt the

Medicaid Insurance for Workers with Disabilities Act; and to create an advisory committee.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 262.** Introduced by Cook, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend section 79-2,104, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide duties relating to sharing of student data, records, and information; to provide for rules and regulations; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 263.** Introduced by Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee: Nordquist, 7, Chairperson; Conrad, 46; Davis, 43; Karpisek, 32; Kolowski, 31; Mello, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to retirement; to amend sections 23-2301, 23-2306, 23-2307, 23-2310.04, 23-2315, 23-2317, 23-2319, 23-2319.01, 79-917, 79-921, 79-962, 79-984, 79-991, 79-992, 79-996, 79-9,102, 84-1308, and 84-1511.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 24-701, 24-703, 24-710.13, 79-902, 79-904.01, 79-947.06, 79-956, 79-958, 79-987, 79-990, 79-9,117, 81-2014, 81-2016, 81-2017, 81-2027.08, 81-2041, 84-1301, 84-1307, 84-1314, 84-1317, 84-1319, 84-1321, 84-1321.01. 84-1503, and 84-1511. Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to define and redefine terms; to change membership provisions; to change provisions relating to interest and compliance with federal law; to change provisions relating to annual benefit adjustments, repayment of benefits, application deadlines, termination of employment, and contract requirements; to change requirements for actuarial and auditing services; to change provisions relating to administering retirement system plans and fees for planning programs; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 264.** Introduced by Bolz, 29; Coash, 27; Cook, 13; Nordquist, 7; Pirsch, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2715.07, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide an income tax credit for qualified resident individuals caring for dependents as prescribed; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 265.** Introduced by Coash, 27; Campbell, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to foster care; to amend sections 43-1502, 71-1901, 71-1903, and 81-505.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 43-1301, 71-1902, 71-1904, and 75-302, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to define terms; to change provisions relating to foster care licensure and kinship homes and relative homes; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 266.** Introduced by Chambers, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Local Option Revenue Act; to amend sections 77-27,142, 77-27,142.01, and 77-27,142.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to eliminate provisions relating to increases in sales and use taxes; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 267.** Introduced by Chambers, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; to prohibit persons on parole, probation, or work release from acting as undercover agents or employees of law enforcement; and to prohibit the admissibility of evidence derived from such actions.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 268.** Introduced by Campbell, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent; and to require an upgrade of an electronic data collection system as prescribed.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 269.** Introduced by Campbell, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to children and families; to amend sections 43-285, 43-4101, 43-4202, 43-4203, 43-4208, 68-1207, 68-1212, 71-1904, and 81-3133, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide duties for the Office of Probation Administration, the Nebraska Children's Commission, and the Department of Health and Human Services; to change membership and staffing provisions of the Nebraska Children's Commission; to provide duties relating to reimbursement of certain costs as prescribed; to change provisions relating to a placement plan; to provide requirements for case plans and case manager training; to change provisions relating to rules and regulations for foster case licensees; to provide duties and prohibit certain actions by departmental contractors as prescribed; to provide for a grievance procedure; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 270.** Introduced by Campbell, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend section 68-911, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for a medicaid state plan amendment or waiver; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 271.** Introduced by Lautenbaugh, 18.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to elections; to amend section 32-933, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 32-808 and 32-942, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to voting early; and to repeal the original sections.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 272.** Introduced by Carlson, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Chemigation Act; to amend sections 46-1101, 46-1103, 46-1119, and 46-1121, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define a term; to change provisions relating to permit approval and fees; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 273. Introduced by Karpisek, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act; to amend section 9-607, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change restrictions on keno; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 274. Introduced by Nordquist, 7; Ashford, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to adopt the Education Compensation Transparency Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 275.** Introduced by Nordquist, 7; Ashford, 20; Campbell, 25; Conrad, 46; Cook, 13; Gloor, 35; B. Harr, 8; Howard, 9; Kolowski, 31; Lathrop, 12; Mello, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend sections 9-812 and 9-836.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 68-907 and 68-968, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to adopt the Nebraska Coordinated School Health Act; to change allocation provisions relating to the Education Innovation Fund; to change provisions relating to School Health Center Advisory Councils; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 276.** Introduced by Nordquist, 7; Campbell, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to medicaid; to amend sections 43-2515 and 68-911, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 79-1018.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to reimbursement pursuant to the Early Intervention Act; to provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 277.** Introduced by B. Harr, 8; Nordquist, 7; Seiler, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the False Medicaid Claims Act; to amend sections 68-935, 68-936, and 68-945, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; to change provisions relating to presentation of a false medicaid claim; to change powers relating to the Attorney General; and to

repeal the original sections.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 278.** Introduced by Pirsch, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Secretary of State; to amend section 33-101, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to fees; and to repeal the original section.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 279.** Introduced by Pirsch, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to finance; to amend sections 45-191.10, 45-920, 45-1008, 45-1013, and 45-1018, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 45-190, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to loan brokers and to redefine a term; to change provisions relating to the Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act and the Nebraska Installment Loan Act; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 280.** Introduced by Pirsch, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-323, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change domestic assault provisions; to define a term; and to repeal the original section.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 281. Introduced by Pirsch, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-6306, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change the amount of tax credits allowed under the Angel Investment Tax Credit Act; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 282.** Introduced by Pirsch, 4; B. Harr, 8; Smith, 14.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2704.14, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 77-2701.16, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to exempt motor vehicle washing and waxing services from sales and use tax; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 283.** Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to limited liability companies; to amend section 9-614, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 67-248.02, 67-298, 70-1903, 77-2704.57, 77-2716, 77-2734.01, and 84-511, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to eliminate the Limited Liability Company Act; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 21-2601, 21-2601.01, 21-2602, 21-2603, 21-2604, 21-2604.01, 21-2605, 21-2606, 21-2607, 21-2608, 21-2609, 21-2610, 21-2611, 21-2612, 21-2613, 21-2614, 21-2615, 21-2616, 21-2617, 21-2617.01, 21-2618, 21-2619, 21-2620, 21-2621, 21-2622,

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## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 284.** Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act; to amend sections 13-919, 13-920, 13-922, and 13-926, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change limitation of action provisions; to change amounts recoverable as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 285.** Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund; to amend section 71-7611, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions governing transfers; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 286.** Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to fund transfers; to amend section 68-1604, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 58-703 and 84-612, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide for Cash Reserve Fund transfers for affordable housing, homeless shelter assistance, and legal aid; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 287.** Introduced by Carlson, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to agriculture; to amend sections 71-4401, 71-4402, and 71-4403, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for vaccination against rabies by commercial dog breeders as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 288.** Introduced by Carlson, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to agriculture; to amend sections 54-626, 54-627, 54-630, and 54-641.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions of the Commercial Dog and Cat Operator Inspection Act; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 289.** Introduced by Lathrop, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to liens; to amend sections 52-130 and 52-140, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating

to the duration of a real estate improvement contract lien; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 290.** Introduced by Pirsch, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Residential Mortgage Licensing Act; to amend sections 45-727, 45-737, and 45-741, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 45-701 and 45-729, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to change provisions relating to notice, certain licensee duties, and Director of Banking and Finance powers; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 291.** Introduced by Nordquist, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act; to amend section 48-125, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide time limits and penalties for late payment of medical payments; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 292.** Introduced by Karpisek, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to elections; to amend section 32-960, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change population restrictions on conducting elections by mail; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 293.** Introduced by Kintner, 2; Bloomfield, 17; Johnson, 23; Karpisek, 32; Larson, 40; Watermeier, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to firearms; to prohibit disclosure of any applicant or permitholder information regarding firearms registration, possession, sale, or use as prescribed.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 294.** Introduced by Seiler, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act; to amend section 49-14,101.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to use of public resources by public officials and public employees; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 295.** Introduced by Sullivan, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act; to amend section 18-2705, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 296.** Introduced by Hadley, 37; Avery, 28; Bolz, 29; Brasch, 16; Conrad, 46; Cook, 13; Davis, 43; Hansen, 42; Harms, 48;

B. Harr, 8; Howard, 9; Kintner, 2; Lathrop, 12; Mello, 5; Nelson, 6; Nordquist, 7; Pirsch, 4; Schumacher, 22; Smith, 14.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska educational savings plan; to amend sections 77-2716, 85-1802, and 85-1809, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to income tax reductions for contributions; to redefine a term; to change provisions relating to participation agreements; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

#### NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARINGS

Revenue

Room 1524

Wednesday, January 23, 2013 1:30 p.m.

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Thursday, January 24, 2013 1:30 p.m.

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Friday, January 25, 2013 1:30 p.m.

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(Signed) Galen Hadley, Chairperson

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Judiciary Committee elected Senator Lathrop as Vice Chairperson.

#### RESOLUTIONS

#### **LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 21.** Introduced by Scheer, 19.

WHEREAS, the Norfolk Catholic Knights won the 2012 Class C-1 State Football Championship; and

WHEREAS, the win gave the Knights their third straight state championship; and

WHEREAS, no other team has ever won three straight state championships in football in Class C-1; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

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

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates the Norfolk Catholic Knights on winning the 2012 Class C-1 State Football Championship.
- 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Knights and their coach, Jeff Bellar.

Laid over.

# **LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 22.** Introduced by Campbell, 25; Gloor, 35.

WHEREAS, spending on health care in the United States has grown faster than the gross domestic product (GDP), the rate of inflation, and the rate of population growth for most of the last four decades; and

WHEREAS, the share of GDP devoted to health care in the United States has risen from 5.2% in 1960 to 17.6% in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the total public and private health care expenditure in Nebraska in 2009 was \$12,649,000,000; and

WHEREAS, since 2000 real hourly wage growth, net of health benefits, has stagnated while inflation-adjusted family health insurance premiums have increased 58%; and

WHEREAS, the average employer-based health insurance annual premium cost in Nebraska in 2011 was \$13,776; and

WHEREAS, eleven of Nebraska's ninety-three counties have no primary care physicians, and observers believe the lack of primary care physicians will become more acute as more people enter the health care system as a result of the federal Affordable Care Act; and

WHEREAS, officials estimate that, under current demand, Nebraska will be short approximately three hundred primary care physicians by 2014. The number of physicians older than sixty-five years of age has jumped by 78% in the past five years; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated by the University of Nebraska Medical Center that by 2014 the state will need at least 1,685 primary care physicians, 314 primary care nurse practitioners, and 350 primary care physician assistants to meet the increased demand from the newly insured resulting from health care reform; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska's uninsured rate for persons younger than sixty-five years of age is 14.9% (more than 232,000), which is an increase of 67.4% since 2000; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska counties with uninsured rates of 21% or greater exist only in rural areas; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska's future economic and fiscal success requires a healthy population, high quality health care at lower cost, and greater efficiency; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska's families and small businesses are faced with increasing and unsustainable health care costs; and

WHEREAS, successful transformation of Nebraska's health care system is essential to the state's economic well-being and the quality of care provided to Nebraskans; and

WHEREAS, health care reform is not only a matter of coverage or increasing access. True reform is total system transformation into a patient-centric, high-value enterprise; and

WHEREAS, understanding the challenge of health reform and solving Nebraska's health system crisis requires a new level of cooperation between all health care partner stakeholders and policymakers in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, state government must provide clear leadership and accountability to health care system transformation efforts and must do so in a way that demands transparency, trust, and full participation from all partner stakeholders.

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

- 1. That the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature, in cooperation with the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee of the Legislature, be designated to convene a Partnership Towards Nebraska's Health Care System Transformation (Partnership).
- 2. The committees shall form the Partnership by bringing together policymakers and partner stakeholders at all levels, including state and local governments, public and private insurers, health care delivery organizations, employers, specialty societies, consumer groups, patients, consumers, and all other interested parties, to work together with the shared objectives of controlling health care costs and improving health care quality.
  - 3. The goals of the Partnership are to:
- a. Provide a comprehensive review of Nebraska's health care delivery, cost, and coverage demands;
- b. Engage partners in dialogue, roundtable discussions, and public policy discourse:
- c. Develop a framework for health care system transformation to meet public health, workforce, delivery, and budgetary responsibilities; and
- d. Develop cooperative strategies and initiatives for the design, implementation, and accountability of services to improve care, quality, and value while advancing the overall health of Nebraskans.
- 4. The Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature may conduct public hearings and, with the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee of the Legislature, shall guide the Partnership as it undertakes communication, outreach, and educational activities to convey lessons learned and to make recommendations relating to health care for Nebraskans. The Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature and the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee of the Legislature shall hold a joint hearing by November 1, 2013, to be briefed on the information obtained by the Partnership as outlined in this resolution.
- 5. The committees and the Partnership shall rely on information, data, and subject matter expertise and consultation from a wide range of entities,

including the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care and the Division of Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Insurance, and any other agencies the committees identify, to provide collaboration with the Partnership to attain the goals for health care system transformation.

6. The funding of the activities of the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature under this resolution will be provided first by any allowable funds not fully expended under the State Planning and Establishment Grants for the Affordable Care Act exchanges and then from existing appropriations for the committee from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund.

Laid over.

#### BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill was read for the first time by title:

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 297.** Introduced by Bolz, 29; Hansen, 42; Wallman, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act; to amend section 48-101.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to mental injuries and mental illness compensation; and to repeal the original section.

#### **UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducers**

Senators Davis and Scheer asked unanimous consent to add their names as cointroducers to LB101. No objections. So ordered.

Senators Avery and Chambers asked unanimous consent to add their names as cointroducers to LB125. No objections. So ordered.

Senators Brasch, Davis, Hansen, Johnson, and Larson asked unanimous consent to add their names as cointroducers to LB62. No objections. So ordered.

Senator Dubas asked unanimous consent to add her name as cointroducer to LB62. No objections. So ordered.

#### **VISITORS**

Visitors to the Chamber were Roger and Mary Ann Thompson from Clay Center; and Shane Greckl from Bloomfield.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Marinda Wells from Bellevue.

# ADJOURNMENT

At 11:55~a.m., on a motion by Senator Campbell, the Legislature adjourned until 9:45~a.m., Thursday, January  $17,\,2013.$ 

Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature