Introduced by Riepe, 12.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this study resolution is to assess the Nebraska medical assistance program and the options for health care reform for Nebraska, including whether the elimination of optional benefits would allow for more low-income Nebraskans to access benefits under the medical assistance program without increasing current state and federal funds for the program.

This study shall include an examination of the following:

(1) A review of the required and optional services covered by the medical assistance program in Nebraska;

(2) A review of the eligibility requirements for the medical assistance program in Nebraska; and

(3) A review of health care options for low-income individuals without insurance.

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

1. That the Health and Human Services 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.