

OTHER STATE GOVERNMENTAL BODIES

This section includes miscellaneous boards, commissions, committees, councils, authorities and quasi-governmental bodies and bodies with members from more than one branch of state government. None of these entities are full-fledged state agencies, but they have a degree of independence that keeps them from being classified within any department or agency. All statutory references in this section indicate the location in the Revised Statutes of Nebraska where each governmental body was created, unless otherwise indicated.

State Anatomical Board

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Statutory Reference: 71-1001

The State Anatomical Board acquires, prepares, stores and disburses human cadavers to Nebraska schools of medicine, dentistry and allied health.

The seven-member board includes the following members:

- the anatomy department chairpersons of Creighton University and the University of Nebraska Medical Center or their designees
 - anatomy professors appointed by the anatomy department chairpersons of Creighton University and UNMC
 - anatomy professors appointed from the Creighton University and University of Nebraska dental colleges
 - a member of the public appointed by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure

Member	Position
Stan Harn, Lincoln.....	College of Dentistry, University of Nebraska
Margaret Jergensen, Omaha.....	School of Dentistry, Creighton University
Carol Lomneth, Omaha.....	Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Rev. Nancy Phillips, Omaha.....	Member of Public
Thomas H. Quinn, Omaha.....	Department of Biomedical Sciences, Creighton University School of Medicine
James Shull, Omaha.....	Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy, University of Nebraska Medical Center
John Yee, Omaha.....	Department of Biomedical Sciences, Creighton University School of Medicine

Nebraska Aquaculture Board

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Statutory Reference: 2-5003

The Nebraska Aquaculture Board was created to increase stocks of fish and other aquatic life in the state. The board works to encourage the practice of aquaculture in order to promote agricultural diversity, augment food supplies, expand employment opportunities and promote economic activity.

The board consists of an aquaculturist employed by the Cooperative Extension Service; one employee of the Game and Parks Commission who is familiar with aquatic disease, appointed by the secretary of the commission; and one employee of the Department of Agriculture appointed by the director. The governor appoints three aquaculturists and a representative of an industry or product which is related to or used in aquaculture. The aquaculturists serve three-year terms.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Ronald Bright, Bridgeport	Aquaculturist.....	July 1, 2008
Casey Foster, Lincoln	Department of Agriculture.....	July 1, 2008
Gary Hartley, Spalding	Aquaculturist.....	July 1, 2008
Robin Hofpar, Valparaiso	Aquaculturist.....	July 1, 2008
Mark A. Pegg, Lincoln	County Extension Service.....	July 1, 2008
Dean Rosenthal, Lincoln	Game and Parks Commission.....	July 1, 2008
Rex Ostrum, McCook	Aquaculturist.....	July 1, 2008

Behavioral Health Oversight Commission

Contact Person: Former Sen. Jim Jensen, phone (402) 399-8269

Statutory Reference: 71-818

The 2004 Legislature created the Behavioral Health Oversight Commission to help the state Department of Health and Human Services implement LB 1083. The bill allows the state to close regional centers in Hastings and Norfolk and develop community-based services for treating behavioral health disorders, thus decreasing the state’s reliance on regional centers for care and treatment.

The commission is under the direction of the Legislature’s Health and Human Services Committee and HHS. The chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee, with confirmation from a majority of the committee members, appoints the 20 commissioners. The membership includes representatives of the Legislature, consumers and consumer advocacy organizations, behavioral health providers, the communities of Norfolk and Hastings, state employees, regional behavioral health authorities, mental health boards and law enforcement.

Member	Represents
Gordon Adams, Norfolk	Mayor
Mary Angus, Omaha.....	Consumer Advocate
Andrea Belgau, Columbus.....	At Large
Brad Bigelow, Kearney	Mental Health Board

Susan Boust, Omaha	Provider
Carole Boye, Omaha.....	Consumer Advocate
Shannon Engler, Lincoln.....	Provider
Topher Hansen, Lincoln.....	Provider
Jim Jensen (C), Omaha.....	
Linda Jensen, Omaha	Consumer Advocate
Sen. Joel Johnson, Lincoln.....	Legislature
J. Rock Johnson, Lincoln.....	Consumer Advocate
Doris Karloff, Yutan.....	Regional Governing Board
Ronald Klutman, Columbus.....	Provider
Charles Marr, Omaha.....	At Large
Bill Mizner, Norfolk.....	Law Enforcement
Howard Olsen, Scottsbluff.....	Consumer Advocate
Joe Patterson, Hastings.....	At Large
Mario Scalora (VC), Lincoln.....	Provider
Cindy Scott, Juniata.....	Consumer Advocate
Ellie Tompkins, Norfolk.....	Consumer Advocate
Barbra Westman, Hastings.....	State Employee
Karen Weston, North Platte.....	Provider
James White, Omaha.....	Provider
Dan Wilson, Omaha.....	Provider

Biopower Steering Committee

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Chairperson: Lane Kugler

Statutory Reference: 66-1701

In 1999, the Legislature approved a new law designed to foster biomass power development in the state. The governor signed LB 101 on April 28, 1999, creating the Biopower Steering Committee, as well as a Biopower Development Cash Fund.

The committee explores opportunities to develop Nebraska's in-state biomass resources to benefit the rural economy and provide overall economic benefits to the state by reducing the outflow of dollars related to energy expenditures and environmental and safety concerns related to gaseous emissions.

The committee is made up of three representatives from the Nebraska Power Association, one public interest representative, one environmental interest organization, two agricultural representatives, the representative of the Department of Economic Development, the Game and Parks Commission and the chairpersons of the Legislature's Natural Resources and Agriculture committees and the Nebraska Energy Office.

Member	Term Expires
Mark Brohman, Lincoln.....	Dec. 31, 2009
Roger Chesley, Callaway.....	Dec. 31, 2008
Billy Cutsor, Silver Creek.....	Dec. 31, 2009
Lee Harrow, Omaha.....	Dec. 31, 2008
Sen. Bob Kremer, Aurora.....	Dec. 31, 2008
Duane Kristensen, Minden.....	Dec. 31, 2009
Lane Kugler, Eustis.....	Dec. 31, 2009
Patrick Langan, Lincoln.....	Dec. 31, 2009
Sen. LeRoy Loudon, Ellsworth.....	Dec. 31, 2009
Lynda Marshal, Lincoln.....	Dec. 31, 2009

Larry Pearce, Bellevue	Dec. 31, 2009
Frank Thompson, Columbus	Dec. 31, 2009
Scott Welk, Grand Island	Dec. 31, 2009

Board of State Canvassers

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Statutory Reference: 32-1037

Canvassing, or certifying, votes for state elected officers and district officials was set into its current legal form by a 1955 act. The act called for the Board of State Canvassers to canvass all votes except those cast for constitutional officers and members of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, which are canvassed by the Legislature. The board is composed of the governor, the secretary of state, the auditor of public accounts, the state treasurer and the attorney general. The act was clarified by the 1957 Legislature and recodified with the passage of the Election Act in 1994.

The Board of State Canvassers canvasses the votes for president; U.S. Senate; U.S. House of Representatives; Nebraska Public Power District board of directors; delegates to national conventions; State Board of Education; Nebraska Legislature; University of Nebraska Board of Regents; community college boards; natural resources district boards; Nebraska Supreme Court and Court of Appeals judges; district, county, workers' compensation and juvenile judges; reclamation district boards; educational service unit boards; constitutional amendments; and any area contests, as required.

The board meets on the fourth Monday after each primary and general election and when the governor calls a meeting.

An 1855 act required the Nebraska territorial secretary and two other territorial officers to canvass the vote on territorial officers. An 1856 act had the territorial auditor, with the governor and a territorial officer present, canvass the vote for U.S. congressional delegates and territorial officers. In 1857, the law was changed to have the governor, chief justice and U.S. attorney of the territory canvass the vote on congressional delegates and territorial officers. An 1864 act authorized the territorial secretary, auditor and governor to canvass the vote on congressional delegates, the territorial auditor and territorial treasurer.

An 1864 act gave military servicemen of Nebraska the right to vote when absent from home. The governor, secretary and auditor were to canvass this vote. An 1866 law added the vote on territorial librarian to the list of those canvassed, and an 1868 act required canvassing the vote on presidential electors. An 1869 act required the president of the state Senate to canvass the vote for Nebraska's member of Congress, governor, secretary of state, auditor and treasurer. Other votes were added in 1873 to include the attorney general, tax commissioner, state superintendent of public instruction, judges of the Supreme Court and district attorneys. An 1877 act required votes on executive officers to be canvassed by the Legislature in joint session, and the vote on other than executive officers to be canvassed by a canvassing board composed of the governor, auditor, treasurer, secretary of state and attorney general. In 1879, an act required the Legislature to canvass the vote for governor, lieutenant governor, members

of Congress, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer, superintendent of public instruction, attorney general, commissioner of public lands and buildings, district attorneys and the U.S. Senate. Votes cast for presidential electors, Supreme and district court judges and Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska would be canvassed by the Board of State Canvassers.

An act of 1917 eliminated all votes except those for president and vice president from the work of the Canvassing Board. The act states that presidential electors are appointed, not elected.

Member	Position
Jon Bruning, Lincoln.....	Attorney General
John Gale, Lincoln.....	Secretary of State
Gov. David Heineman, Lincoln.....	Governor
Shane Osborn, Lincoln.....	Treasurer
Mike Foley, Lincoln.....	Auditor of Public Accounts

Nebraska State Capitol Environs Commission

Contact Person: Ed Zimmer, Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department, 555 S. 10th St., Lincoln, NE 68508

Statutory Reference: 90-306

The Nebraska State Capitol Environs Commission is a joint City of Lincoln and State of Nebraska body that identifies and protects the amenities of the Nebraska State Capitol Environs District. The commission also creates design standards for architectural and urban design changes and oversees improvements within the district. The commission meets monthly.

Two commission members are appointed by the governor, and five are appointed by the mayor of Lincoln. Members serve three-year terms. Ex officio members include the following officials or their designees: the city of Lincoln planning director, the city of Lincoln parks and recreation director, and the director of the state Department of Administrative Services.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
James W. Hewitt, Lincoln.....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2008
Tom Laging, Lincoln.....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2010
V.J. Nelson, Lincoln.....	Governor's Appointee.....	Jan. 10, 2008
Patrick J. O'Donnell, Lincoln.....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2010
Jeffrey N. Searcy, Lincoln.....	Governor's Appointee.....	Jan. 10, 2010
Cecil Steward, Lincoln.....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2009
Kim Todd, Lincoln.....	Mayor's Appointee.....	Jan. 9, 2009
Lynn Johnson, Lincoln.....	Lincoln Parks and Recreation.....	Ex Officio
Carlos Castillo, Lincoln.....	Department of Administrative Services.....	Ex Officio
Ed Zimmer, Lincoln.....	Lincoln/Lancaster County Planning Department.....	Ex Officio

State Claims Board

Contact Persons: Laura Peterson, State Risk Manager; Jennifer Holdsworth, Secretary to the State Claims Board, Executive Building, 521 S. 14th St., Suite 230, Lincoln, NE 68508-2707, phone (402) 471-2551, fax (402) 471-2800, e-mail addresses — petersol@notes.state.ne.us and jholdsw@notes.state.ne.us

Statutory Reference: 81-8,220

The State Claims Board conducts public hearings periodically to hear and decide tort, miscellaneous and contract claims filed against any state agency. Tort claims against the state must be filed with the board prior to filing in state district court. The board is part of the state Risk Management Program.¹

Members are the director of insurance, the director of administrative services and the commissioner of labor. By law, the attorney general is the board's legal advisor.

Member	Position
Fernando Lecuona III, Omaha.....	Commissioner of Labor
Carlos Castillo, Lincoln.....	Director of Administrative Services
Tim Wagner, Ashland.....	Director of Insurance

Climate Assessment Response Committee

Contact Person: Greg Ibach, Director, Nebraska Department of Agriculture, 301 Centennial Mall South, Fourth Floor, P.O. Box 94947, Lincoln, NE 68509-4947, phone (402) 471-2341, Web site — <http://carc.agr.ne.gov/>

Statutory Reference: 2-4901

The 1992 Legislature created the Climate Assessment Response Committee to:

- collect and analyze data about drought and other severe climate occurrences and disseminate information to the governor and others
- answer questions and provide advice about requests for federal disaster declarations and the use of funds or other assistance that become available because of a declaration
- establish criteria for the startup and shutdown of assessment and response activities by state and federal agencies during droughts and other climate-related emergencies
- define the responsibilities of all agencies during droughts and climate-related emergencies, and maintain an inventory of those responsibilities
- work to improve the methods of assessing the effects of drought on agriculture and industry

The committee is composed of representatives appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, from livestock producers, crop producers, the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, the Conservation and Survey Division and Cooperative Extension Service of the University of Nebraska, the state Department of Agriculture, the state Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure, the state Department of Natural Resources and the Governor's Policy Research Office. Representatives

¹ For more information about the Risk Management and State Claims Division in the state Department of Administrative Services, see Page 453-454.

from the federal Farm Service Agency or any other federal or state agency may serve on the committee at the invitation of the governor. The governor appoints the committee chairperson. All members serve at the pleasure of the governor.

The committee meets twice annually, but it may convene at the call of the chairperson, on request of a majority of members, or during periods of drought or other severe weather situations. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents
Neil Moseman, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Department of Agriculture
Barb Cooksley, Anselmo.....	Livestock Producer
Merwin Fricke, Ayr.....	Crop Producer
Jack Daniel, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Health and Human Services
Don Wilhite, Lincoln.....	National Drought Mitigation Center
Elbert Dickey, Lincoln.....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension
Ann Bleed, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Department of Natural Resources
Major General Roger Lempke, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Emergency Management Agency
Mark Kuzila, Lincoln.....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln School of Natural Resources
John Erickson, Lincoln.....	Governor’s Policy Research Office

Nebraska Community College Aid, Grant and Contract Review Committee

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Statutory Reference: 85-1539

The Nebraska Community College Aid, Grant and Contract Review Committee oversees state funds appropriated by the Legislature for the Nebraska Community College Aid Cash Fund. The fund provides aid, grants or contracts to the community colleges for the purposes of funding grants for applied technology and occupational faculty training, instructional equipment upgrades, employee assessment, pre-employment training, employment training and dislocated worker programs benefiting the state.

The director of the administrative services selects the committee, which consists of a representative of the University of Nebraska who has expertise and experience in research and development, a representative of the state Department of Economic Development, a representative of the state Department of Labor, a representative of the State Department of Education, and a representative of the community colleges. The terms are at the pleasure of the director of administrative services.

Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents

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Statutory Reference: 39-2301

The Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents tests and licenses local officials, or their agents charged with overseeing the construction, maintenance and operation of county roads and municipal streets. Registered professional engineers are licensed by equivalency for the Class B entry level license; all other applicants for the Class B license must pass an examination, which is administered twice yearly. Experienced licensees may apply for a Class A license which requires professional development hours for renewal. Licensing promotes competency in local planning and administration as part of a policy enacted in 1969 to provide efficient management, operation and control of an integrated system of state and local highways, roads and streets.

The board's seven members serve four-year terms and are appointed by the Governor. All must be licensed county highway or city street superintendents. Four members represent counties of various populations. Three represent municipalities of various populations, one from each congressional district. The Department of Roads' Government Affairs Division provides administrative support.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Kent H. Anderson, Paxton.....	Class 1 County.....	Oct. 27, 2010
Thomas D. Doyle, Omaha.....	Class 7 County.....	Oct. 27, 2010
Dale E. Frickey, Bridgeport.....	Class 2 County.....	Oct. 27, 2007
James. K. McDonald, David City	Second Class City, District 1	Oct. 27, 2007
Scott D. McIntyre, Omaha.....	Metropolitan Class City, District 2.....	Oct. 27, 2010
Rick A. Meter, Gering	Class 5 County.....	Oct. 27, 2007
Gary W. Story, Kearney.....	First Class City, District 3.....	Oct. 27, 2010

Nebraska Dairy Industry Development Board

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Statutory Reference: 2-3951

The Legislature created the Dairy Industry Development Board in 1992 as a contingency measure in the event Congress repeals federal legislation governing dairy promotion programs. The state board was granted authority to act when such a federal order went into effect.

Currently, 15 cents per hundredweight of milk is collected by “first purchasers” of commercial milk and forwarded to the U.S. government. Ten cents of that amount is earmarked for Nebraska through the federal program, while the remainder is remitted to the National Dairy Board. The funds are used to promote the use of dairy products. The state Dairy Industry Development Board replaces the federal component of the current program.

Board members must be residents of the state who are at least 21 years old and who have been actively engaged in the production of milk for at least five years. To qualify for membership, a substantial portion of income must be derived from milk production.

Milk producers choose nominees among themselves for board membership. First purchasers of milk select candidates from the nominees whose names are forwarded to the governor. The governor selects one-half of the submitted candidates to serve three-year terms.

Member	Term Expires
Jerry Bond, Avoca.....	Nov. 1, 2007
Mildred Bracht, West Point.....	Nov. 1, 2007
David Crook, Humboldt.....	Nov. 1, 2007
Dean Engelman, Jansen.....	Nov. 1, 2009
James Eschliman, Ericson.....	Nov. 1, 2008
Michael Henn, Norfolk.....	Nov. 1, 2009
Lowell Mueller, Hooper.....	Nov. 1, 2008
David Murman, Glenvil.....	Nov. 1, 2008
Douglas Nuttelman, Stromsburg.....	Nov. 1, 2007
Arnold Oltjenbruns, Osmond.....	Nov. 1, 2007
Todd Tuls, Shelby.....	Nov. 1, 2007
Denis Blank, Lincoln.....	Ex Officio

Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board

Contact Persons: Mary Jane Egr, State Tax Commissioner, Nebraska Department of Revenue, 301 Centennial Mall South, Second Floor, P.O. Box 94818, Lincoln, NE 68509-4818, phone (402) 471-5604; Michael Calvert, Director, Legislative Fiscal Office, Room 1007, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2263

Statutory Reference: 77-27,156

The Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board was created in 1984 to act as an advisory body to the governor and the Legislature for state general fund revenue projections. The board develops a consensus projection of the state's economic activity as it relates to the general fund revenue derived for existing state tax rates.

The board consists of nine members. Five are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council. The other four members are appointed by the governor and serve at the governor's pleasure. Members must demonstrate expertise in tax policy, economics or economic forecasting. Appointees serve four-year terms.

The board meets in February, April and October in odd-numbered years and in February and October in even-numbered years. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

Member	Appointed By	Term Expires
Leslie Andersen, Bennington.....	Governor.....	Sept. 26, 2010
Gerald A. Conway, Wayne.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2008
Jerome A. Deichert, Omaha.....	Governor.....	Sept. 26, 2010
Steven L. Ferris, Lincoln.....	Governor.....	Sept. 26, 2010
Robert C. Gustafson, Valentine.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2008
Gene H. Koepke, Kearney.....	Governor.....	Sept. 26, 2010
Laurence Lanphier Jr., Omaha.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2008
Tonn M. Ostergard, Crete.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 26, 2008
David N. Simmons, Fremont.....	Legislative Council.....	Sept. 28, 2010

Nebraska Educational Finance Authority

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Statutory Reference: 85-1701

The Nebraska Educational Finance Authority helps Nebraska's private colleges and universities build, finance and refinance capital improvement projects on their campuses based on cash flow need and anticipated tuition rates. It also administers the Nebraska Health Education Assistance Loan Program.

The Nebraska Educational Finance Authority issues bonds and notes to provide funds for loans to private colleges and universities. The authority has seven members, appointed by the governor to four-year terms. At least one member must have knowledge and experience in public accounting, one member must have knowledge in educational building construction, one member must be an officer of a Nebraska private college or university, and one member must have knowledge and experience in the field of finance. No more than four members may belong to the same political party. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Myrvin F. Christopherson, Blair (I) ¹	College Representative.....	Dec. 31, 2007
Lowell Berg, Lincoln (R).....	College Representative.....	Dec. 31, 2009
William F. Hartman, Seward (D).....	Public Accounting.....	Dec. 31, 2008
Glen Moss, Lincoln (R).....	Construction.....	Dec. 31, 2010
John Munn, Syracuse (R).....	Finance.....	Dec. 31, 2009
William Tinstman, Omaha (D).....	Construction.....	Dec. 31, 2007
James D. Watts, Lincoln (R).....	Public Accounting.....	Dec. 31, 2008

Nebraska Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority

Contact Person: Linda Parker, Legal Assistant, Gilmore and Bell, P.C., Wells Fargo Center, 1248 O St., Suite 710, Lincoln, NE 68508-1424, phone (402) 474-5000

Statutory Reference: 79-1810

The 1997 Legislature created the Nebraska Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority to help private elementary and secondary schools in the constructing, financing and refinancing of projects involving educational facilities. The authority may issue and refund bonds and may make loans to schools to finance the cost of projects.

The authority has four members appointed by the governor to four-year terms. No more than three members can be from the same political party. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Term Expires
Kristy Dietrich, Alliance (R) ¹	Dec. 31, 2008
Catherine Demes Maydew, Omaha (D).....	Dec. 31, 2010

¹ Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

Fred Otten, Norfolk (R)..... Dec. 31, 2010
 Wilbur Tewes, Martell (R)..... Dec. 31, 2008

Environmental Trust Board

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Statutory Reference: 81-15,167

The Nebraska Environmental Trust Act of 1992 authorized a portion of proceeds from the state lottery to be placed in a fund “for the purpose of conserving, enhancing and restoring the natural, physical and biological environment of the state.” After voters approved the lottery in November 1992, legislation governing the lottery and distribution of proceeds was re-enacted in 1993 under LB 138.

Forty-nine and one-half percent of lottery proceeds are put into the Environmental Trust Fund after prizes and operating expenses are paid for and the first \$500,000 of proceeds are paid to the Compulsive Gamblers’ Assistance Fund.

The 14-member Environmental Trust Board manages the Environmental Trust Fund and carries out the goals of the trust. The board leverages private funds to support short- and long-term environmental goals and provides funding for proposals according to the priorities of critical habitat areas, surface and groundwater quality, recycling markets and reduction of waste volume and toxicity, and carbon management.

The re-enacting legislation specified that land easements obtained through the trust fund may be acquired only on a willing-seller basis.

Board membership includes nine members of the public appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, to six-year terms. Other members include the directors of the Department of Agriculture, Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure and Game and Parks Commission. Three appointees are chosen from each congressional district. Each citizen member must have demonstrated experience and interest in the state’s environment, and at least two citizen members must have experience in private financing of public-purpose projects. The board’s administration is through contract with the Game and Parks Commission.

The board meets at least four times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Warren Arganbright, Valentine	District 3	March 10, 2007
Barbara Batie, Lexington.....	District 3	March 10, 2009
John Campbell, Omaha.....	District 2	March 10, 2007
Paul Dunn, Omaha.....	District 2, Finance Experience	March 10, 2011
Gloria Erickson, Holdrege	District 3	March 10, 2011
Vincent J. Kramper, Dakota City.....	District 1	March 10, 2007
Robert Krohn, Omaha.....	District 2, Finance Experience	March 10, 2009
Rob Ravenscroft, Lincoln.....	District 1, Finance Experience	March 10, 2009
Susan S. Seacrest, Lincoln.....	District 1	March 10, 2011

Rex Amack, Lincoln	Director, Game and Parks Commission.....	Nonexpiring
Ann Bleed, Lincoln.....	Director, Department of Natural Resources.....	Nonexpiring
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Director, Department of Agriculture	Nonexpiring
Mike Linder, Lincoln	Director, Department of Environmental Quality.....	Nonexpiring
Dr. Joann Schaefer, Lincoln	Department of HHS	Nonexpiring

Geographic Information System Steering Committee

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Statutory Reference: 81-2602

The Geographic Information System Steering Committee makes recommendations to the Legislature for program initiatives and funding. The committee also establishes guidelines and policies for statewide Geographic Information Systems operation and management to include: databases, hardware and software, setting of standards, education, and general coordination of GIS development.

The committee represents interests between state agencies and among state, local and federal government agencies. The committee is affiliated with national coordination efforts through the Federal Geographic Data Committee and the National States Geographic Information Council. The committee's interagency and intergovernmental coordination efforts focus on facilitating data sharing, coordinating joint database development and developing data standards and education.

Committee members include specified state officials or their designees and governor-appointed representatives of specified public sector entities. The governor-appointed members serve four-year terms. They are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses. The committee meets six times a year.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Mark Brugger, York.....	Public Power Agencies	Sept. 9, 2009
Lash L. Chaffin, Lincoln.....	League of Nebraska Municipalities	Sept. 9, 2007
Michael Schonlau, Omaha	Member At Large	Sept. 9, 2010
John Miyoshi, Wahoo	Natural Resources Districts	Sept. 9, 2007
Ray Fox, Rolla, MO	Member at Large	Sept. 9, 2010
Duane E. Stott, Mitchell	Public At Large.....	Sept. 9, 2008
Larry Seifert, Dannebrog.....	Nebraska Association of County Officials	Sept. 9, 2010
Larry V. Worrell, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Association of County Officials	Sept. 9, 2008
Rex Amack, Lincoln	Game and Parks Commission	Nonexpiring
James L. Brown, Lincoln.....	State Surveyor	Nonexpiring
John L. Craig, Omaha.....	Director, Department of Roads	Nonexpiring
Lauren L. Hill, Lincoln.....	Governor's Policy Research Office.....	Nonexpiring
Mark S. Kuzila, Lincoln.....	UNL Conservation and Survey Division.....	Nonexpiring
Catherine D. Lang, Lincoln	Property Tax Administrator.....	Nonexpiring
Mike Linder, Lincoln	Director of Environmental Quality	Nonexpiring
Patrick J. O'Donnell, Lincoln	Clerk of the Legislature.....	Nonexpiring

Ann Bleed, Lincoln.....	Director of Natural Resources.....	Nonexpiring
Dr. Richard Raymond, Lincoln.....	Health and Human Services.....	Nonexpiring
Carlos Castillo, Lincoln.....	Director of Administrative Services.....	Nonexpiring

Governor's Residence Advisory Commission

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Statutory Reference: 72-2101

The Governor's Residence Advisory Commission was created in 1998. It conducts an inspection of the governor's residence in June each year and submits a report to the governor with recommendations for any major maintenance or repair projects.

The governor's spouse is the commission chairperson. If the governor is unmarried, or if the governor's spouse is unable to fulfill his or her duties, the governor appoints an at-large member to fill that seat on the commission. Other commission members include the director of the Department of Administrative Services or his or her designee; the Task Force for Building Renewal administrator; two at-large members from each congressional district, with no more than three at-large members from the same political party; the Nebraska State Historical Society director; and an American Society of Interior Designers member. The at-large members and the interior designer are governor-appointed and serve four-year terms. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Cora Berry, McCook (R).....	District 3.....	May 13, 2010
Nancy Enstrom, Fremont (D) ¹	District 1.....	May 13, 2010
Patricia Kuehl, Elkhorn (D).....	District 2.....	May 13, 2010
Mary Mancuso, Omaha (D).....	District 2.....	May 13, 2010
Joan Sorensen, Fremont.....	American Society of Interior Designers.....	May 13, 2010
Bee Whitmore (R).....	District 1.....	May 13, 2010
Jolene Ward, Kearney (R).....	District 3.....	May 13, 2010
Larry Eckles, Lincoln.....	Task Force for Building Renewal.....	Nonexpiring
Sally Ganem, Lincoln.....	Governor's Spouse.....	Nonexpiring
Carlos Castillo, Lincoln.....	Director, Department of Administrative Services.....	Nonexpiring
Michael J. Smith, Lincoln.....	State Historical Society.....	Nonexpiring
Karen Toussaint, Lincoln.....	Director, Governor's Residence.....	Ad Hoc

Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission

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Statutory Reference: 72-724

The Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission was created in 1961 to officially recognize Nebraskans who have achieved prominence.

Until 1996, the commission named one person to the Nebraska Hall of Fame

¹ Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

every two years, except when two people were named in the first two years of the Hall of Fame's existence, and four people were selected in 1976 in honor of the nation's bicentennial. Legislation passed in 1998 provides that no more than one person can be added to the Hall of Fame every five years. The legislation also provides that no person can be considered for the Hall of Fame until at least 35 years after his or her death. The 1969 Legislature provided that Congressional Medal of Honor recipients with a Nebraska connection become members of the Hall of Fame. Busts of Hall of Fame members, except for Medal of Honor recipients, are displayed in the State Capitol in Lincoln and in other commission-approved locations.¹

The commission has seven members. Six members are appointed by the governor to six-year terms. Three or fewer members can belong to the same political party. The director of the Nebraska State Historical Society is the seventh member and serves as the commission's secretary. The governor is an ex officio member. The historical society administers the commission's affairs.

Member	Position	Term Expires
Harold W. Andersen, Omaha (R) ²	Member	Oct. 1, 2007
Mildred M. Curtis, Lincoln (R)	Member	Oct. 1, 2007
Ron Hull, Lincoln (R)	Member	Sept. 14, 2011
Dennis Mihelich, Omaha (D)	Member	Sept. 14, 2009
Ronald Naugle, Lincoln (D)	Member	Sept. 14, 2009
Jo Ann Smith, Gering (D)	Member	Sept. 14, 2011
Gov. David Heineman, Lincoln	Governor	Ex Officio
Lawrence J. Sommer, Lincoln	Member/Secretary	Nonexpiring

State Highway Commission

Contact Person: Shirley K. Schafer, Executive Secretary, State Highway Commission, 1500 Highway 2, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759, phone (402) 479-4530

Statutory Reference: 39-1101

The 1953 Legislature created the seven-member State Highway Commission to advise the director on policies to carry out the department's duties and responsibilities. In 1987, the Legislature added another commission member and aligned commission districts to match Department of Roads districts. The commission holds public hearings throughout the state to advise the public of department policies and activities.

Commission members are appointed to six-year terms by the governor with legislative approval. Members represent Nebraska's eight highway commission districts.² Each member must be a U.S. citizen, at least 30 years old and a resident of the district he or she represents for three years before appointment. No more than four commission members may be from the same political party. The director is an ex officio member of the commission and votes to break tie votes. Commission members receive \$20 a day for conducting commission business.

¹ See Pages 72-81 for a listing of Nebraska Hall of Fame members

² Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Duane W. Acklie, Lincoln (R) ¹	District 1.....	Sept. 13, 2011
Ronald W. Books, North Platte (R).....	District 6.....	Sept. 13, 2007
Jerome Fagerland, Atkinson (D).....	District 8.....	Sept. 13, 2007
John Kingsbury, Ponca (R).....	District 3.....	Sept. 13, 2011
Doug Leafgreen, Gering (D).....	District 5.....	Sept. 13, 2011
Richard S. Reiser, Omaha (D).....	District 2.....	Sept. 13, 2007
Donna M. Wanitschke, Grand Island (D).....	District 4.....	Sept. 13, 2009
Greg Wolford, McCook (R).....	District 7.....	Sept. 13, 2010
John L. Craig, Omaha.....	Director.....	Ex Officio

Nebraska Information Technology Commission

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Statutory Reference: 86-1505

The purpose of the commission is to make the state's investment in information technology infrastructure more accessible and responsive to the needs of its citizens while making government, education, healthcare and other services more efficient and cost-effective. Specific tasks include:

- developing a statewide technology plan
- determining a broad strategy for developing information technology in Nebraska
- adopting guidelines and technical standards
- making recommendations on technology investments to the governor and the Legislature by Nov. 15 of each even-numbered year
- approving grants from the community technology fund and government technology collaboration fund

The NITC established three councils in the areas of education, communities and state government. The purpose of the councils is to identify, prioritize and coordinate user needs. A technical review panel reviews any technology project or request for additional technology funding and recommends technical standards and guidelines. As part of the budget process, the three councils, the technical panel and the NITC are reviewing and ranking information technology projects that require additional spending authority.

The commission has nine members appointed by the governor, with legislative approval, for four-year terms. The governor or his or her designee serves as chairperson. One member represents elementary and secondary education, one represents postsecondary education, one represents communities, and five represent the public. The public members must have experience in developing strategic plans and making high-level business decisions.

Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses. The Office of the Chief Information Officer provides administrative and operational support.

¹ Political party affiliation: D=Democrat; R=Republican; I=Independent.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Linda Aerni, Columbus.....	Public.....	April 2, 2010
Douglas D. Christensen, Lincoln.....	Postsecondary Education.....	April 2, 2010
Pat Flanagan, Omaha.....	Public.....	April 2, 2010
Lance Hedquist, South Sioux City.....	Communities.....	April 2, 2010
Daniel J. Hoelsing, Laurel.....	Elementary/Secondary Education.....	April 2, 2010
Mike Huggenberger, Blair.....	Public.....	April 2, 2010
Janie C. Park, Chadron.....	Public.....	April 2, 2008
Trev E. Peterson, Lincoln.....	Public.....	April 2, 2008
Sen. Mick Mines, Omaha.....		Ex Officio
Rick Sheehy, Hastings.....	Lieutenant Governor.....	Nonexpiring

Nebraska Intergovernmental Data Communications Advisory Council

Contact Person: Dale Fangmeier, Intergovernmental Data Services, Department of Administrative Services, 501 S. 14th St., Fourth Floor, Lincoln, NE 68508-2711, phone (402) 471-0629

Statutory Reference: 81-2301

The Intergovernmental Data Communications Advisory Council was created in 1987. The council:

- assures that information is efficiently collected, used and exchanged among state agencies and between state agencies and governmental subdivisions
- studies and makes recommendations about data processing and communications needs of the state and its political subdivisions
- recommends program design to improve data transfer among state agencies and between the state and its political subdivisions
- coordinates data processing applications for projects involving many jurisdictions

The council has 13 members who serve two-year terms. Members include:

- a representative of the Department of Administrative Services' Intergovernmental Data Services Program, who serves as chairperson
- a representative of the Department of Administrative Services' Information Management Services Division
- a representative of the Department of Administrative Services' Division of Communications
 - a state government representative, appointed by the governor
 - a representative of the Legislature, appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council
 - a state court system representative, appointed by the chief justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court
 - two elected county officials, appointed by the governor, as county government representatives
 - two elected city or village officials, appointed by the governor, as municipal government representatives
 - a representative of the local data processing division of a political subdivision

of Nebraska, appointed by the governor

- a representative of the Natural Resources Commission’s data bank
- a representative of the secretary of state’s Records Management Division

The council meets at least four times a year. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Gordon Adams, Norfolk	Municipal Government.....	Sept. 30, 2008
Mahendra Bansal, Lincoln	Nebraska Natural Resources Commission Data Bank.....	Sept. 30, 2007
C. Michael Calvert, Lincoln	Legislature	Sept. 30, 2007
Dale Fangmeier, Lincoln.....	CIO Intergovernmental Data Program.....	Sept. 30, 2007
Steven L. Henderson, Lincoln	CIO Information Management Services.....	Sept. 30, 2007
Kaleb Krefit, Lincoln	CIO Division of Communications.....	Sept. 30, 2007
Christine Meysenburg, David City	County Government	Sept. 30, 2008
William P. Ptacek, Lincoln	Records Management Division	Sept. 30, 2007
James Realph, Blair	Municipal Government.....	Sept. 30, 2008
Bob Shanahan, Lincoln	State Government.....	Sept. 30, 2008
Doug Thomas, Lincoln	Local Government	Sept. 30, 2007
Janice Walker, Lincoln	State Court System Data Processing Division	Sept. 30, 2008
Sandy Zoubek, Stanton	County Government	Sept. 30, 2008

Nebraska Investment Finance Authority

Contact Person: Timothy R. Kenny, Executive Director, Nebraska Investment Finance Authority, 200 Commerce Court, 1230 O St., Lincoln, NE 68508, phone (402) 434-3900, fax (402) 434-3921, Web site — <http://www.NIFA.org>

Statutory Reference: 58-226

The 1983 Legislature created the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority as an independent instrumentality by consolidating the Nebraska Mortgage Finance Fund, the Nebraska Agricultural Development Corporation and the Nebraska Development Finance Fund. The authority provides:

- home mortgage financing for low- and moderate-income Nebraskans
- financing for affordable rental housing and affordable housing infrastructure
- financing for hospitals and other healthcare facilities
- agricultural financing for first-time farmers
- financing for manufacturing or industrial enterprises, certain nonprofit enterprises, solid waste disposal, wastewater treatment, safe drinking water and public safety communications systems projects

The authority can invest in loans made for the construction, rehabilitation or acquisition of eligible projects. The authority has no taxing power but can issue bonds

and other obligations. The authority also administers the federal low-income housing tax credit program pursuant to Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code.

The authority has nine members. The director of the Department of Economic Development, the Nebraska Investment Council chairperson and the director of agriculture serve as ex officio members. These members may designate a representative to perform their duties under the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority Act.

Six public representatives, two from each congressional district, are appointed by the governor to four-year terms. At least one member each must be experienced in the following areas: real estate development; industrial mortgage credit, commercial credit, agricultural credit or housing mortgage credit; banking or investment banking; home building or licensed real estate brokerage; and agricultural production. One member is appointed at large. No more than three public members may belong to the same political party. All authority members must be Nebraska residents. The authority generally meets monthly. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Carl R. Brasee, Grand Island.....	Investment Banking, District 3.....	Jan. 10, 2011
Peter M. Graff, McCook.....	Agricultural Production, District 3.....	Jan. 15, 2009
Marlin Brabec, Fremont.....	Licensed Real Estate Broker, District 1	Jan. 20, 2011
John M. Blazek, Omaha.....	At Large, District 2.....	Feb. 8, 2010
Michael B. Maroney, Omaha.....	Real Estate Development, District 2.....	Jan. 15, 2009
Mary Jo McClurg, Lincoln.....	Housing Mortgage Credit, District 1.....	Jan. 10, 2011
Richard J. Baier, Lincoln.....	Director of Economic Development.....	Ex Officio
Greg Ibach, Lincoln.....	Director of Agriculture.....	Ex Officio
Gail Werner-Robertson.....	Investment Council Chair	Ex Officio

Board of Pardons

Contact Person: Trudy Clark, Nebraska Board of Pardons, Folsom and West Prospector Place, P.O. Box 94754, Building #15, Lincoln, NE 68509-4754, phone (402) 471-2756

Statutory References: Nebraska Constitution, Article IV, Section 13; and 83-1,126

The Board of Pardons receives and considers applications for pardons, reprieves, commutations of sentence, and remission of fines and forfeitures. After a pardon has been granted, the board can empower the governor to authorize those pardoned to own and transport firearms.

The 1911 Legislature created the state Prison Board and an advisory board of pardons. The board also served as the advisory board of parole. These boards' functions were merged with the Department of Public Welfare in 1919.

A constitutional amendment adopted in 1920 created a Board of Pardons and designated the governor, secretary of state and attorney general as its members. The 1937 Legislature passed a uniform act for the supervision of Nebraska prisoners paroled in other states.

The 1969 Legislature, pursuant to a constitutional amendment passed in 1968, created a separate Board of Parole.¹ Pardon authority remained with the Board of Pardons.

Member	Position	Elected Office
Jon Bruning, Lincoln.....	Member.....	Attorney General
John Gale, Lincoln.....	Secretary.....	Secretary of State
Gov. David Heineman, Lincoln.....	Chairman.....	Governor

Propane Education and Research Council

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Statutory Reference: 66-1617

The 1998 Legislature authorized creation of a Nebraska Propane Education and Research Council. Nebraska propane retail marketers of propane later established the council by a referendum vote. The purpose of the NPERC is to develop programs and projects that promote the safe, efficient use of propane for consumers; educate the public and industry employees on propane safety; conduct research to improve the safety and efficiency of propane equipment; and support awareness of the uses and environmental advantages of propane. To fund its activities, the council levies a fee on odorized propane sold in the state.

The council consists of nine governor-appointed members, including four representing retail marketers; one representing wholesalers, suppliers and importers; one representing manufacturers and distributors of liquified petroleum gas equipment; one representing the academic or propane research community; one propane user or consumer; and the state fire marshal or his or her designee. Council members serve three-year terms.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Thomas Garner, Milford.....	Retail Marketers.....	Oct. 29, 2009
Robert Harper, Washington.....	Retail Marketers.....	Oct. 29, 2007
Scott D. Haller, Cedar Rapids.....	Retail Marketers.....	Oct. 29, 2009
Alan Hartley, Doniphan.....	Academic/Propane Research.....	Oct. 29, 2008
Mark T. O'Donnell, Yankton, S.D.....	Wholesalers/Suppliers/Importers.....	Oct. 29, 2009
N. Wayne Spangler, Ogallala.....	Propane Users/Consumers.....	Oct. 29, 2008
Michael R. Thurston, Waverly.....	Equipment Manufacturers.....	Oct. 29, 2007
John Falgione, Lincoln.....	State Fire Marshal.....	Nonexpiring

Nebraska Railway Council

Contact Person: Ellis Tompkins, Rail & Public Transportation, Nebraska Department of Roads, 1500 Highway 2, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, NE 68509-4759, phone (402) 479-3797, e-mail address — etompkin@dor.state.ne.us

¹ For more information on the Nebraska Board of Parole, see Page 699.

Statutory Reference: 74-1413

The Nebraska Railway Council administers programs and funds for light-density rail line acquisition, rehabilitation, operation and rail facility construction implemented pursuant to state law and the Federal Rail Revitalization Act. However, all planning functions for participation in the federal act must be performed by a state agency or agencies designated by the governor. Although the council is an independent body, the Department of Roads provides staff support. The council adopts and promulgates regulations to carry out the act.

The council includes nine members, eight of which are appointed by the governor and approved by the Legislature. These members serve four-year terms. The Department of Roads director serves as the ninth member in an ex officio capacity. Council members include a light-density rail line shipper; a railroad management employee; a public service commissioner; a railroad maintenance-of-way employee; a Department of Economic Development representative; a Department of Agriculture representative; and two members of the public, one with private or public finance experience and one with marketing experience. The council meets at least once a year. Members are reimbursed for expenses, and the maintenance-of-way employee is paid \$60 a day for council business.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
David L. Gilfillan, Beatrice.....	Department of Economic Development.....	Feb. 24, 2008
Frank E. Landis, Lincoln	Public Service Commission	July 19, 2010
Carl Larsen, Chadron	Public, Finance Experience	July 19, 2010
Neil Moseman, Lincoln.....	Department of Agriculture	Feb. 24, 2008
Gary A. Rasmussen, Elba	Public, Marketing Experience.....	July 19, 2010
John H. Rebensdorf, Omaha.....	Railroad Management Employee.....	July 19, 2010
Michael D. Shannon, Alliance	Railroad Maintenance-of-Way Employee	July 30, 2009
John L. Craig, Omaha.....	Director, Department of Roads	Ex Officio
Vacant	Shippers

Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards

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Statutory Reference: 39-2106

The Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards oversees annual construction planning and fiscal reporting for state and local highways, roads and streets, as well as the application of minimum design, construction and maintenance standards for functional classifications (categories) of public roadways. The standards ensure that each road can safely handle the traffic pattern and volume it is expected to carry, as part of a policy enacted in 1969 to provide for the efficient management, operation and control of an integrated system of state and local highways, roads and streets.

Nebraska counties and municipalities, as well as the Nebraska Department of Roads, must annually file a one- and six-year plan of highway, road and street improvements with the board. Those jurisdictions also must file a standard annual highway, road and

street program fiscal report with the board, including (except for NDOR) certification that they have complied with applicable state standards, matching funds and other operations and reporting requirements. The procedure for such annual reports is the joint responsibility of the board and the auditor of public accounts.

The 11 members are appointed by the Governor, subject to legislative approval, to four year terms. Two members represent NDOR. Three members represent counties, with requirements that one be a licensed highway superintendent, that two be county board members, and that one each be from a small, medium or large (population) county. The three municipal members must be either public works directors or licensed street superintendents, and one each must be from a small, medium or large municipality. The other three members are lay members representing each congressional district. The NDOR Government Affairs Division provides administrative support.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Gene R. Acklie, Fremont.....	Municipality less than 2,500 residents.....	Nov. 30, 2009
James W. Bauer, Beatrice.....	Municipality between 2,500 and 50,000 residents ..	Nov. 3, 2007
Barbara J. Keegan, Alliance.....	Class 3 County, Highway Superintendent.....	Nov. 30, 2009
Dean T. Lux, North Bend.....	District 1, Lay Citizen	Nov. 30, 2009
Richard J. Ruby, Lincoln.....	Department of Roads.....	Nov. 3, 2007
Richard L. Pierce, Miller.....	Class 5 County, Commissioner.....	Nov. 3, 2007
Darold E. Tagge, Holdrege	District 3, Lay Citizen	Nov. 3, 2007
Henry R. Thieman, Petersburg	Class 2 County, Supervisor.....	Nov. 3, 2007
Henry T. Vieregger, Omaha	Municipality over 50,000 residents.....	Nov. 3, 2007
Edward R. Wooton Sr., Bellevue	District 2, Lay Citizen	Nov. 3, 2007
Arthur B. Yonkey, Hickman	Department of Roads.....	Nov. 30, 2009

Nebraska Safety Center Advisory Council

Contact Person: Gordon Brooks, Director, Nebraska Safety Center, West Campus, University of Nebraska at Kearney, 905 W. 25th St., Kearney, NE 68849, phone (308) 865-8562

Statutory Reference: 85-1008

The Nebraska Safety Center was established to help Nebraskans prevent traffic accidents. The Nebraska Safety Center Advisory Council reviews the center's operation and administration.

The council has 21 members, appointed by the University of Nebraska Board of Regents to three-year terms with legislative approval. Members represent the Department of Roads, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the State Department of Education, the Game and Parks Commission, the state Department of Labor, Nebraska community college areas, private business and industry, the University of Nebraska, the medical profession, Nebraska law enforcement, the Safety Council of Nebraska Inc., transportation, emergency medical services, the Nebraska judiciary, city government, county government, agriculture, local public schools, the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, the American Red Cross and Nebraska state colleges.

Members must have appropriate education, training and experience in the fields of industrial, recreational, domestic or traffic safety. Each member must be available to advise the center on programs in his or her area of expertise. The Nebraska Safety

Center director is an ex officio council member.

The council, which meets three times a year, makes annual recommendations to the Nebraska Safety Center director concerning the center's budget, staff, facilities, equipment and programs. Council members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Michael Brown, Mullen	Local Public Schools	Aug. 1, 2008
Carol Cope, Kearney	Red Cross	Aug. 1, 2007
Janice Eret, Lincoln	Department of Education	Aug. 1, 2007
Tom Gorman, North Platte	Community Colleges	Aug. 1, 2007
Pearl Hansen, Wayne	State Colleges	Aug. 1, 2008
John Hanson, Kearney	Agriculture	Aug. 1, 2008
Laurie Klosterboer, Lincoln	Nebraska Safety Council	Aug. 1, 2008
John McCammond, Kearney	Medical Profession	Aug. 1, 2007
Colleen Ozane, Lincoln	Private Business and Industry	Aug. 1, 2008
David Stubbs, Kearney	Technical Community Colleges	Aug. 1, 2007
Fred Zwonechek, Lincoln	Department of Motor Vehicles	Aug. 1, 2007
Vacant	Law Enforcement	
Vacant	University of Nebraska	
Vacant	Department of Roads	
Vacant	Game and Parks Commission	
Vacant	Department of Labor	
Vacant	Transportation	
Vacant	Emergency Medical Services	
Vacant	Judiciary	
Vacant	City Government	
Vacant	County Government	
Vacant	Postsecondary Education	

State Disbursement and Child Support Advisory Commission

Contact Person: Janice Satra, Legal Counsel, Executive Board of the Legislative Council, Room 2010, State Capitol, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2716, e-mail address — jsatra@leg.ne.gov

Statutory Reference: 43-3342.05

The State Disbursement and Child Support Advisory Commission addresses child support issues affecting the state of Nebraska and its citizens. The commission's duties include:

- reviewing the child support guidelines adopted by the Supreme Court and recommending amendments to the guidelines when appropriate
- monitoring federal legislation and making recommendations to change state law as needed
- recommending legislation to clarify and improve the state law regarding child support
- suggesting ways to improve or enhance the effectiveness of the State Disbursement Unit and the Customer Service Unit
- setting performance indicators for the State Disbursement Unit and the Customer Service Unit

● presenting reports of its activities and recommendations to the Supreme Court and the Executive Board of the Legislative Council

The Executive Board of the Legislative Council appoints members to the commission, which includes two district court judges whose jurisdiction includes domestic relations, one member of the Nebraska Bar Association who practices in the area of domestic relations, one county attorney who works in child support, one professional who works in the field of economics, mathematics or another field of expertise relevant to child support, two members of the Legislature, one custodial parent who receives child support and one noncustodial parent who pays child support. The person operating the State Disbursement Unit, the state court administrator and the director of the Title IV-D division or their designees serve as ex officio members.

The commission meets at least quarterly and selects a chairperson from its membership annually. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for their expenses.

Nebraska State Fair Board

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Statutory Reference: 2-101

A law passed by the 2002 Legislature created the Nebraska State Fair Board to manage the state fair, a duty previously performed by the State Board of Agriculture. The new board also promotes training and competition for youth interested in agriculture, horticulture, science, industry, mechanics, arts and skilled crafts.

Nebraska City hosted the first state fair in 1859 and two others in 1868 and 1869. An 1879 act made the state fair an annual event and prescribed the State Board of Agriculture’s duties. The state owns 325 acres in Lincoln on which the fair is held.

Nebraska State Fair Park activities are paid for by proceeds from the annual fair, pari-mutuel horse racing and rental of facilities. State funds appropriated by the Legislature are used to support 4-H and FFA premiums for the annual fair. The board’s annual meeting is held in Lincoln during odd-numbered years and in a location of the board’s choice during even-numbered years. The board’s 13 members consist of:

- seven members elected by county fair districts
- four members appointed by the governor, with two representing the Lincoln business community, one representing the Omaha business community and one representing the state’s business community at large
- two ex officio members, which include the chairperson of the Nebraska Arts Council and the chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Elections for the seven members representing county fair districts were held in January 2004.

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Tamas R. Allan, Lincoln.....	Business Community, Lincoln.....	December 2007
Joe Andrews, Bassett	District 7	January 2008
Sallie Atkins, Halsey.....	Business Community, At Large.....	December 2009

Doug Brand, Seward.....	District 1	January 2009
Jerry Fitzgerald, Gering.....	District 6	January 2010
Jana Kruger, Arlington.....	District 2	January 2010
Dan Kunnemann, Imperial.....	District 4.....	January 2009
Linda Lovgren, Omaha.....	Business Community, Omaha	December 2009
Van Neidig, Battle Creek.....	District 3.....	January 2009
Jack Pectz, Lincoln.....	Business Community, Lincoln.....	December 2008
Steve Rogers, Gibbon.....	District 5.....	January 2008
Margaret Berry, Lincoln.....	Nebraska Arts Council.....	Ex Officio
Harvey Perlman, Lincoln.....	University of Nebraska-Lincoln.....	Ex Officio

Antique Farm Machinery and Equipment Commission

Contact Person: Barney Cosner, Executive Director, Nebraska State Fair Park, P.O. Box 81223, Lincoln, NE 68501-1223, phone (402) 474-5371

Statutory Reference: 51-601

In 1988, the Legislature created the Antique Farm Machinery and Equipment Commission to encourage the creation of a museum or facility to preserve and exhibit antique farm machinery and equipment used by Nebraskans through history, and to increase public awareness about how changes in farm equipment and machinery have affected the state's agricultural history. Funding for the museum comes from gifts, grants or bequests.

Eight of the commission's nine members, who are appointed by the governor to five-year terms, are:

- an agricultural engineer from an educational institution
- a member actively involved in economic development or tourism
- a member familiar with Nebraska history and historic preservation
- a member between the ages of 18 and 30 who is actively involved in and who has an interest in the future of agriculture
- four members who have an interest in preserving antique farm machinery and equipment

The manager of the State Board of Agriculture is the ninth member.

The commission meets as necessary. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Suggestion Award Board

Contact Person: Nyla Thomsen, Suggestion System Coordinator, Department of Administrative Services, P.O. Box 94943, Lincoln, NE 68509-4943, phone (402) 471-4459

Statutory Reference: 81-1348

The Suggestion System provides state employees with a means to give suggestions on improving the operations of state government. Cost saving suggestions that are accepted and implemented result in recognition and/or monetary compensation for the employee who submitted the proposal.

Membership on the Suggestion Award Board consists of the Department of Administrative Services state personnel director, auditor of public accounts, director of DAS and three employees from bargaining units selected and appointed by the

governor. One or more suggestion system coordinators also are appointed in each agency to act as liaisons between the agency and the board. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Represents
Carlos Castillo, Lincoln.....	Department of Administrative Services Director
Mike Foley, Lincoln.....	Auditor of Public Accounts
Donald C. George, Lincoln.....	Maintenance, Trades and Technology Unit
Denise Manton, Lincoln.....	Administrative Professional Unit
Mike McCrory, Lincoln.....	State Personnel Director
Alma Serrell, Lincoln.....	Teachers Unit

Commission on Uniform State Laws

Contact Person: Joanne M. Pepperl, Revisor of Statutes, Room 358, State Capitol, P.O. Box 94604, Lincoln, NE 68509-4604, phone (402) 471-2225

Statutory Reference: 49-901

The 1951 Legislature created the Commission on Uniform State Laws. Commission members work with commissioners in all states to formulate uniform laws on specific subjects. State legislatures may enact these laws.

Each commission member must attend National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws meetings and promote uniformity in state laws. The commission reports its transactions and its recommendations for legislation to the clerk of the Legislature. The commission also works to bring uniform judicial interpretation of uniform laws.

Commission members include three lawyers appointed by the governor to four-year terms and the revisor of statutes. The commission also includes Nebraskans who have a long service record in promoting state legislation uniformity. These members are elected life members of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. The commission meets at least once every two years. Members are not paid but are reimbursed for expenses.

Member	Term Expires
C. Arlen Beam, Lincoln.....	Life Member
Norman Krivosha, Lincoln.....	Life Member
Amy Longo, Omaha.....	Aug. 11, 2007
Harvey S. Perlman, Lincoln.....	Aug. 11, 2007
Larry L. Ruth, Lincoln.....	Aug. 11, 2007
Joanne M. Pepperl, Lincoln (Revisor of Statutes).....	Nonexpiring

Wyuka Cemetery Board of Trustees

Contact Persons: Mike Williams, Funeral Director, Wyuka Cemetery, 3600 O St., Lincoln, NE 68510, phone (402) 474-3600, fax (402) 474-2605, Web site — <http://www.wyuka.com>

Statutory Reference: 12-101

Under Nebraska law, Wyuka Cemetery in Lincoln is a public charitable corporation. The cemetery’s general control and management is vested in a board of trustees. The

board can authorize one of its members to sign petitions for improving any streets, alleys, or public ways or grounds abutting cemetery grounds. The board may sue or be sued, contract work and be under contract, and acquire and convey real and personal property.

The cemetery's board of trustees has three unpaid members, appointed by the governor to six-year terms. The board meets quarterly.

Member	Term Expires
Cathie L. Petsch, Lincoln.....	Jan. 1, 2013
Jeffrey Schumacher, Lincoln.....	Jan. 1, 2011
Michael L. Tefft, Lincoln.....	Jan. 1, 2012