

LEGISLATIVE BILL 307

Approved by the Governor April 30, 2003

Introduced by Connealy, 16

AN ACT relating to state employees; to amend sections 81-1347, 81-1347.01, and 81-1354, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the employee suggestion system; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 81-1347, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

81-1347. The Director of Personnel or such director's designated representative is hereby directed to develop and adopt rules and regulations in accordance with sections 81-1346 to 81-1354 for the administration of an employee suggestion system. Such rules shall provide for the direct submission of all suggestions to Consideration of a suggestion shall begin when an eligible employee contacts the director or the director's designated representative with a qualifying suggestion. The employee shall supply and the director or the director's designated representative shall record the employee's name, the date and exact time of day the suggestion is submitted, and a brief description of the suggestion. The ~~and shall provide that the names of individuals~~ employees who made ~~make~~ suggestions shall be kept confidential unless ~~such person~~ the employee is granted an award under sections 81-1346 to 81-1354.

Sec. 2. Section 81-1347.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

81-1347.01. The Director of Personnel shall prepare and annually transmit a report detailing the operations of the employee suggestion system, including an accounting of all awards granted, whether the accepted suggestions were implemented, the number of suggestions submitted, and the number of suggestions declined. The reason for declining each suggestion that is declined shall be recorded. and any other information deemed appropriate by the director and the Governor.

Sec. 3. Section 81-1354, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

81-1354. No employee making a suggestion that requires legislative enactment or concerns policies already implemented or which are in the process of implementation by the agency shall be eligible for ~~any~~ an award under sections 81-1346 to 81-1354.

Sec. 4. Original sections 81-1347, 81-1347.01, and 81-1354, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.