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## LEGISLATIVE BILL 304

FINAL READING

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Committee: Revenue

## A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to the Long-Term Care Savings Plan Act; to 2 amend sections 77-6102 and 77-6105, Revised Statutes 3 Cumulative Supplement, 2006; to redefine terms; to 4 change provisions relating to authorized withdrawals; 5 to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original 6 sections.

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

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Section 1. Section 77-6102, Revised Statutes Cumulative
 Supplement, 2006, is amended to read:

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3 77-6102 For purposes of the Long-Term Care Savings Plan
4 Act:

5 (1) Long-term care expense means the cost of long-term 6 care in a long-term care facility and the cost of care provided in 7 a person's home when the person receiving the care is unable to 8 perform multiple basic life functions independently;

9 (2) Long-term care insurance premiums means premiums 10 paid for a long-term care insurance policy issued pursuant to 11 the Long-Term Care Insurance Act that offers coverage to the 12 individual, er the individual's spouse, or another person for whom 13 the taxpayer has an insurable interest;

14 (3) Participant means an individual who has entered
15 into a participation agreement or established an account with
16 a financial institution with which the State Treasurer has an
17 agreement under subsection (1) of section 77-6103; and

18 (4) Qualified individual means (a) a person who turned 19 sixty-five years of age or older during the taxable year who has 20 a medical necessity for long-term care during the taxable year, 21 (b) a disabled person who has a medical necessity for long-term 22 care incurred long-term care expenses during the taxable year  $\sigma$  or 23 (c) or (b) a person who turned sixty-two fifty years of age or older during the taxable year who made payments for long-term care 24 25 insurance premiums during the taxable year.

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Sec. 2. Section 77-6105, Revised Statutes Cumulative
 Supplement, 2006, is amended to read:

3 77-6105 A qualified individual as defined in subdivision (4) (a)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (b) of section 77-6102 may make withdrawals as a 4 5 participant in the Nebraska long-term care savings plan to pay 6 or reimburse long-term care expenses. A qualified individual as 7 defined in subdivision (4) (c) (4) (b) of section 77-6102 may make 8 withdrawals to pay or reimburse long-term care insurance premiums. 9 Any participant who is not a qualified individual or who makes 10 a withdrawal for any reason other than transfer of funds to a 11 spouse, long-term care expenses, long-term care insurance premiums, 12 or death of the participant shall be subject to a ten-percent 13 penalty on the amount withdrawn. The State Treasurer shall collect the penalty. 14

Sec. 3. Original sections 77-6102 and 77-6105, Revised
Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2006, are repealed.

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