

## ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 601**

Introduced by Lathrop, 12.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to determine the workforce training opportunities that renewable energy projects can provide in Nebraska communities and how Nebraska can be more strategic and competitive in its job training approaches. The study may include, but is not limited to, an examination of the following:

1. Information contained in the Nebraska Department of Labor's 2010 "Green Jobs" Survey that focused on how Nebraska can stay competitive in renewable energy industries and better understand how "green" activities are evolving within the workforce;

2. Information contained in the Nebraska Department of Economic Development's and Nebraska Department of Labor's 2010 "Growing Jobs, Industries and Talent" Report that found that the most effective way to advance the economic development of primary industries is to focus on industry clusters found within a state's economic base industries;

3. A review of the industry clusters that provide a balanced portfolio of growth opportunities, such as precision metals manufacturing, biosciences, and renewable energy;

4. Efforts made by the Nebraska Department of Labor, colleges, universities, and others to develop and train workers in renewable energy industries; and

5. An examination of what Nebraska can do to continue to grow the renewable energy industry, increase the number of renewable energy jobs, and cultivate the workforce talent necessary to fill those positions.

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

1. That the Business and Labor 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.