

## ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 192**

Introduced by Avery, 28.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study conducting elections by mail. In 2005, the Legislature passed a bill to allow counties with less than 7,000 inhabitants to conduct elections by mail after making application to the Secretary of State. In 2009, that number was increased to the current level of counties with less than 10,000 inhabitants. In 2013, the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee considered LB 292 which would expand the number of counties eligible for conducting elections by mail to counties with less than 20,000 inhabitants.

The issues to be examined by this study will include reviewing how other states are conducting elections by mail, the benefits and drawbacks to all-mail elections, and whether allowing only certain precincts in the state to conduct elections by mail raises any constitutional questions. Representatives of the Secretary of State's office and county officials, along with other interested parties, shall be invited to participate in this study.

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

1. That the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs 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.