

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 541**

Introduced by Larson, 40.

PURPOSE: The Nebraska County and City Lottery Act was established to allow any county, city, or village to conduct a lottery, including games of keno, for community betterment purposes. Since it has been established in Nebraska, the game of keno has provided funding for community betterment purposes across the state.

The purpose of this interim study is to examine the economic benefits of keno. This study shall include the following:

(1) Reviewing the reported uses of keno community betterment dollars and an identification of the projects funded with such dollars;

(2) Examining the direct and indirect economic impacts of the game of keno, including how it helps support local businesses and the jobs it helps create in communities;

(3) Reviewing input from interested parties who could highlight the importance of keno, the impact that the money spent playing keno has on communities, and the benefits provided to communities through the use of community betterment dollars; and

(4) Developing recommendations as to any legislation that may be needed to ensure that the economic benefits of keno and the community betterment dollars keno provides can continue to support Nebraska communities.

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

1. That the General 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.