

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 580

Introduced by Stinner, 48.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to examine the Department of Health and Human Services' policies and procedures for dealing with disallowances and audit exceptions by the federal government which have resulted in large fines and having to return money to the federal government.

The study shall include an examination of the following:

(1) Programs and procedures that resulted in disallowances and audit exceptions for the state and an analysis of disallowances and fines related to programs over the past five years;

(2) Changes in policy and procedure, organizational structure, or quality control or implementation of other qualitative measures that will prevent future such occurrences;

(3) Inventory of current issues or potential issues which may lead to future disallowances or fines;

(4) Reports from the Auditor of Public Accounts, program auditors, performance and internal audits of the past two years, including findings and management responses;

(5) Consultant reports, including recommendations and management responses;

(6) The department's management analysis of staff as to the quantity and quality of transaction matrices, length of employment, turnover rates for all six divisions, and any other relevant data; and

(7) Programs and procedures that resulted in disallowances and audit exceptions for the state.

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

1. That the Appropriations 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.