

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 209

Introduced by Bolz, 29; Stinner, 48.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study state and federal funding options for existing and potential research by the University of Nebraska on local, state, and global water management systems, water quality, water sustainability technology and infrastructure, and sustainable production agriculture.

The interim study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of the following:

(1) State and federal research by the University of Nebraska on Nebraska's water management systems with corresponding historical appropriations;

(2) State and federal research by the University of Nebraska on Nebraska's water quality and health impacts with corresponding historical appropriations;

(3) State and federal research by the University of Nebraska on water sustainability technology and infrastructure with corresponding historical appropriations;

(4) Best practices, model initiatives, and funding mechanisms that seek to increase state and federal funding to academic research on water sustainability, technology, and quality;

(5) Past state appropriations and initiatives that expanded research capabilities at the University of Nebraska in water sustainability, water quality, water management systems, and sustainable production agriculture; and

(6) Opportunities to align or improve systems supporting Nebraska's university-led research and commercialization.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST 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.