FORTY-SEVENTH DAY - MARCH 21, 2023

LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION

FORTY-SEVENTH DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska Tuesday, March 21, 2023

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Lowe.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Petty Officer R G Smith, A, Navy, Bellevue.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., President Kelly presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Aguilar who was excused; and Senators Bostar, Brewer, Day, Geist, McKinney, Vargas, Walz, Wayne, and Wishart who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the forty-sixth day was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Board

LEGISLATIVE BILL 566. Placed on General File.

(Signed) Tom Briese, Chairperson

Revenue

LEGISLATIVE BILL 235. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 370. Placed on General File with amendment. AM920

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
- 2 sections:
- 3 Section 1. Section 77-1704.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 4 Supplement, 2022, is amended to read:
- 5 77-1704.01 (1) The county treasurer shall include with each tax
- 6 notice to every taxpayer and with each receipt provided to a taxpayer the
- 7 following information:
- 8 (a) The total amount of aid from state sources appropriated to the
- 9 county and each city, village, and school district in the county;
- 10 (b) The net amount of property taxes to be levied by the county and
- 11 each city, village, school district, and learning community in the
- 12 county;
- 13 (c) For real property, the amount of taxes reflected on the
- 14 statement that are levied by the county, city, village, school district,
- 15 learning community, and other subdivisions for the tax year and for the
- 16 immediately past year on the same parcel;
- 17 (d) For real property that has its taxes divided under section
- 18 18-2147 as part of a redevelopment project under the Community
- 19 Development Law, the amount of taxes reflected on the statement that are
- 20 allocated to the county, city, village, school district, learning
- 21 community, and other subdivisions, the amount of taxes reflected on the
- 22 statement that are allocated to the redevelopment project, and a
- 23 statement explaining that taxes on the real property have been divided as
- 24 part of a redevelopment project under the Community Development Law;-and
- 25 (e) For taxes levied for fiscal year 2017-18 on real property within
- 26 a learning community, statements explaining that the school district
- 27 levies for learning community member districts are increasing, in part,
- 1 as a result of the expiration of the learning community common levies,
- 2 the proceeds of which were distributed directly to school districts, and
- 3 that the remaining learning community levies fund activities of the
- 4 learning community; and -
- 5 (f) For real property, statements regarding the availability of tax
- 6 credits, which shall be printed in at least twelve-point type in
- 7 substantially the following form:
 8 DON'T FORGET TO CLAIM YOUR NEBRASKA PROPERTY TAX INCENTIVE ACT
- 10 You may be eligible for a refundable income tax credit based on the
- 11 amount you paid for school district and community college property taxes.
- 12 To claim this credit, visit the Department of Revenue's website at
- 13 (insert current website address).
- 14 If you failed to claim this credit on your income tax return, you
- 15 can still receive the credit by submitting an amended return. The amended
- 16 return must be submitted within three years from the date your original
- 17 income tax return was filed.
- 18 If you have questions or need assistance filling out these forms,
- 19 please contact the Department of Revenue at (insert current telephone 20 number) or fill out the "Contact Us Form" located on the department's
- 21 website at (insert current website address).
- 22 (2) The necessary form for furnishing the information required by
- 23 subdivisions (1)(a), (b), and (e) of this section shall be prescribed by
- 24 the Department of Revenue. The necessary information required by
- 25 subdivision (1)(a) of this section shall be furnished to the county
- 26 treasurer by the Department of Revenue prior to October 1 of each year.
- 27 The form prescribed by the Department of Revenue shall contain the
- 28 following statement:
- 29 THE AMOUNT OF STATE FUNDS SHOWN ABOVE WOULD HAVE BEEN ADDITIONAL
- 30 PROPERTY TAXES IF NOT ALLOCATED TO THE COUNTY, CITY, VILLAGE, AND
- 31 DISTRICT BY THE LEGISLATURE.

1 Sec. 2. Original section 77-1704.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative 2 Supplement, 2022, is repealed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 754. Placed on General File with amendment. AM906 is available in the Bill Room.

(Signed) Lou Ann Linehan, Chairperson

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 775. Placed on Select File with amendment.

ER16

- 1 1. On page 1, strike beginning with "the" in line 1 through line 4 2 and insert "gambling; to amend sections 9-601, 9-603, 9-606, 9-607,
- 3 9-646.01, 9-651, 9-1103, 9-1106, 81-3717, and 81-3720, Reissue Revised
- 4 Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions of the Nebraska County and
- 5 City Lottery Act, the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act, and the Nebraska
- 6 Visitors Development Act; and to repeal the original sections.".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 552. Placed on Select File with amendment.

ER14

- 1 1. On page 1, line 4, strike "and"; and in line 5 after "section"
- 2 insert "; and to declare an emergency".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 103. Placed on Select File with amendment.

- 1 1. On page 1, strike beginning with "79-920" in line 1 through line
- 2 7 and insert "23-2301 and 23-2323.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of 3 Nebraska, and sections 24-701, 24-710.01, 24-710.04, 79-902, 79-920,
- 4 79-926, 81-2014, 81-2034, 84-1301, and 84-1325, Revised Statutes
- 5 Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to redefine and eliminate terms under the
- 6 County Employees Retirement Act, the Judges Retirement Act, the School
- 7 Employees Retirement Act, the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act, and
- 8 the State Employees Retirement Act; to change provisions relating to
- 9 applicable military service; to change provisions relating to
- 10 participation in the School Employees Retirement System of the State of
- 11 Nebraska; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and
- 12 to declare an emergency.".

(Signed) Beau Ballard, Chairperson

MINORITY COMMITTEE STATEMENT

Health and Human Services

LEGISLATIVE BILL 574. Minority committee statement filed.

(Signed) Jen Day Machaela Cavanaugh

BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill was read for the first time by title:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 328A. Introduced by Raybould, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 328, One Hundred Eighth Legislature, First Session, 2023.

RESOLUTION

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LR59 was adopted.

PRESIDENT SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the President signed the following: LR59.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 574. Senator Hunt offered MO9, found on page 289, to indefinitely postpone prior to the bill being read, pursuant to Rule 6 Section 3(f).

Senator Kauth opened on her bill, LB574.

Senator Hunt opened on her motion, MO9.

Senator Slama moved the previous question. The question is, "Shall the debate now close?"

The Chair ruled there had not been a full and fair debate, pursuant to Rule 7, Sec. 4, on the Hunt motion.

Senator Slama challenged the ruling of the Chair. The question is, "Shall the Chair be overruled?"

Senator Hunt raised a point of order on whether a member may ask another member to yield to a question during debate on a motion to overrule the Chair, pursuant to Rule 1, Section 12.

The Chair ruled that members may not yield to questions during debate on a motion to overrule the Chair.

The Chair called Senator Hunt to order for engaging in debate when recognized to raise a point of order.

Pending.

AMENDMENTS - Print in Journal

Senator Fredrickson filed the following amendment to <u>LB757</u>:

- 1 1. Insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 2. (1) A health care provider, an emergency medical services
- 3 provider, a laboratory, or a pharmacy providing medical services,
- 4 transportation, medications, or other services related to the examination
- 5 or treatment of injuries arising out of sexual assault as defined in

- 6 section 29-4309, domestic assault under section 28-323, or child abuse
- 7 under section 28-707 shall not:
- 8 (a) Refer a bill for such services to a collection agency or an
- 9 attorney for collection against the victim or the victim's guardian or 10 family;
- 11 (b) Distribute information regarding such services and status of
- 12 payment in any way that would affect the credit rating of the victim or
- 13 the victim's guardian or family; or
- 14 (c) Take any other action adverse to the victim or the victim's
- 15 guardian or family on account of providing such services.
- 16 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent an entity
- 17 described in subsection (1) of this section from otherwise seeking
- 18 payment for such services from the victim or any other source.
- 19 (3) If a collection agency or an attorney is referred a debt for a
- 20 bill described in subsection (1) of this section, then upon notice of the
- 21 applicability of this section, the collection agency or attorney shall
- 22 return the debt to the referring health care provider, emergency medical
- 23 services provider, laboratory, or pharmacy.
- 24 (4) No private cause of action shall exist under this section
- 25 against a debt collector.
- 26 2. Renumber the remaining section accordingly.

Senator Wayne filed the following amendment to <u>LB532</u>: AM861

- 1 1. Insert the following new sections:
- 2 Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate one
- 3 hundred million dollars from the General Fund for fiscal year 2023-24 to
- 4 the State Treasurer for Program No. 120, Aid to Municipalities, to
- 5 provide assistance to a city of the metropolitan class for the purposes
- 6 of establishing, maintaining, and operating a streetcar within two and
- 7 one-half miles of a major airport as defined in section 13-3303.
- 8 Such streetcar shall be established, maintained, and operated within
- 9 two and one-half miles of a major airport as defined in section 13-3303
- 10 and shall connect to the major airport without going outside the
- 11 boundaries of the city of the metropolitan class.
- 12 Sec. 5. Section 18-2117.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 13 amended to read:
- 14 18-2117.01 (1)(a) On or before December 1 each year, each city which
- 15 has approved one or more redevelopment plans which are financed in whole
- 16 or in part through the division of taxes as provided in section 18-2147
- 17 shall provide a report to the Property Tax Administrator on each such
- 18 redevelopment plan which includes the following information:
- 19 (i) A copy of the redevelopment plan and any amendments thereto,
- 20 including the date upon which the redevelopment plan was approved, the 21 effective date for dividing the ad valorem tax as provided to the county
- 22 assessor pursuant to subsection (6) (5) of section 18-2147, and the
- 23 location and boundaries of the property in the redevelopment project; and
- 24 (ii) A short narrative description of the type of development
- 25 undertaken by the city or village with the financing and the type of
- 26 business or commercial activity locating within the redevelopment project
- 27 area as a result of the redevelopment project.
- 1 (b) If a city has approved one or more redevelopment plans using an
- 2 expedited review under section 18-2155, the city may file a single report
- 3 under this subsection for all such redevelopment plans.
- 4 (2) The report required under subsection (1) of this section must be
- 5 filed each year, regardless of whether the information in the report has
- 6 changed, except that a city is not required to refile a copy of the
- 7 redevelopment plan or an amendment thereto if such copy or amendment has
- 8 previously been filed.
- 9 (3) The Property Tax Administrator shall compile a report for each

10 active redevelopment project, based upon information provided by the 11 cities pursuant to subsection (1) of this section and information 12 reported by the county assessor or county clerk on the certificate of 13 taxes levied pursuant to section 77-1613.01. Each report shall be 14 electronically transmitted to the Clerk of the Legislature not later than 15 March 1 each year. The report may include any recommendations of the 16 Property Tax Administrator as to what other information should be 17 included in the report from the cities so as to facilitate analysis of 18 the uses, purposes, and effectiveness of tax-increment financing and the 19 process for its implementation or to streamline the reporting process 20 provided for in this section to eliminate unnecessary paperwork. 21 Sec. 8. Section 18-2147, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is 22 amended to read: 23 18-2147 (1) Any redevelopment plan as originally approved or as 24 later modified pursuant to section 18-2117 may contain a provision that 25 any ad valorem tax levied upon real property, or any portion thereof, in 26 a redevelopment project for the benefit of any public body shall be 27 divided, for the applicable period described in subsection (4) (3) of 28 this section, as follows: 29 (a) That portion of the ad valorem tax which is produced by the levy 30 at the rate fixed each year by or for each such public body upon the 31 redevelopment project valuation shall be paid into the funds of each such 1 public body in the same proportion as are all other taxes collected by or 2 for the body. When there is not a redevelopment project valuation on a 3 parcel or parcels, the county assessor shall determine the redevelopment 4 project valuation based upon the fair market valuation of the parcel or 5 parcels as of January 1 of the year prior to the year that the ad valorem 6 taxes are to be divided. The county assessor shall provide written notice 7 of the redevelopment project valuation to the authority as defined in 8 section 18-2103 and the owner. The authority or owner may protest the 9 valuation to the county board of equalization within thirty days after 10 the date of the valuation notice. All provisions of section 77-1502 11 except dates for filing of a protest, the period for hearing protests, 12 and the date for mailing notice of the county board of equalization's 13 decision are applicable to any protest filed pursuant to this section. 14 The county board of equalization shall decide any protest filed pursuant 15 to this section within thirty days after the filing of the protest. The 16 county clerk shall mail a copy of the decision made by the county board 17 of equalization on protests pursuant to this section to the authority or 18 owner within seven days after the board's decision. Any decision of the 19 county board of equalization may be appealed to the Tax Equalization and 20 Review Commission, in accordance with section 77-5013, within thirty days 21 after the date of the decision; 22 (b) That portion of the ad valorem tax on real property, as provided 23 in the redevelopment contract, bond resolution, or redevelopment plan, as 24 applicable, in the redevelopment project in excess of such amount, if 25 any, shall be allocated to and, when collected, paid into a special fund 26 of the authority to be used solely to pay the principal of, the interest 27 on, and any premiums due in connection with the bonds of, loans, notes, 28 or advances of money to, or indebtedness incurred by, whether funded, 29 refunded, assumed, or otherwise, such authority for financing or 30 refinancing, in whole or in part, the redevelopment project. When such 31 bonds, loans, notes, advances of money, or indebtedness, including 1 interest and premiums due, have been paid, the authority shall so notify 2 the county assessor and county treasurer and all ad valorem taxes upon 3 taxable real property in such a redevelopment project shall be paid into 4 the funds of the respective public bodies. An authority may use a single 5 fund for purposes of this subdivision for all redevelopment projects or 6 may use a separate fund for each redevelopment project; and 7 (c) Any interest and penalties due for delinquent taxes shall be

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8 paid into the funds of each public body in the same proportion as are all 9 other taxes collected by or for the public body.
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- 10 (2) To the extent that a redevelopment plan authorizes the division
- 11 of ad valorem taxes levied upon only a portion of the real property
- 12 included in such redevelopment plan, any improvements funded by such
- 13 division of taxes shall be related to the redevelopment plan that
- 14 authorized such division of taxes.
- 15 (3)(a) For any redevelopment plan located in a city of the
- 16 metropolitan class that includes a division of taxes, as provided in this
- 17 section, that produces, in whole or in part, funds to be used directly or
- 18 indirectly for (i) new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of
- 19 housing for households with annual incomes below the area median income
- 20 for households and located within six hundred yards of a public passenger
- 21 streetcar, or (ii) new construction, rehabilitation, or acquisition of
- 22 single-family housing or condominium housing used as primary residences
- 23 for individuals with annual incomes below the area median income for
- 24 individuals, such housing shall be deemed related to the redevelopment
- 25 plan that authorized such division of taxes regardless of whether such
- 26 housing is or will be located on real property within such redevelopment
- 27 plan, as long as such housing supports activities occurring on or
- 28 identified in such redevelopment plan.
- 29 (b) During each fiscal year in which the funds described in
- 30 subdivision (a) of this subsection are available, the authority and city
- 31 shall make best efforts to allocate not less than thirty percent of such
- 1 funds to single family housing deemed related to the redevelopment plan
- 2 described under such subdivision.
- 3 (c) In selecting projects to receive funding, the authority and city
- 4 shall develop a qualified allocation plan and give first priority to
- 5 financially viable projects that serve the lowest income occupants for
- 6 the longest period of time.
- $7\overline{(4)(a)}$ For any redevelopment plan for which more than fifty
- 8 percent of the property in the redevelopment project area has been
- 9 declared an extremely blighted area in accordance with section
- 10 18-2101.02, ad valorem taxes shall be divided for a period not to exceed
- 11 twenty years after the effective date as identified in the project
- 12 redevelopment contract or in the resolution of the authority authorizing
- 13 the issuance of bonds pursuant to section 18-2124.
- 15 the issuance of bonds pursuant to section 18-2124.
- 14 (b) For all other redevelopment plans, ad valorem taxes shall be
- 15 divided for a period not to exceed fifteen years after the effective date
- 16 as identified in the project redevelopment contract, in the resolution of
- 17 the authority authorizing the issuance of bonds pursuant to section
- 18 18-2124, or in the redevelopment plan, whichever is applicable.
- 19 (5) (4) The effective date of a provision dividing ad valorem taxes
- 20 as provided in subsection (4) (3) of this section shall not occur until
- 21 such time as the real property in the redevelopment project is within the 22 corporate boundaries of the city. This subsection shall not apply to a
- 23 redevelopment project involving a formerly used defense site as
- 24 authorized in section 18-2123.01.
- 25 (6) (5) Beginning August 1, 2006, all notices of the provision for
- 26 dividing ad valorem taxes shall be sent by the authority to the county
- 27 assessor on forms prescribed by the Property Tax Administrator. The
- 28 notice shall be sent to the county assessor on or before August 1 of the
- 29 year of the effective date of the provision. Failure to satisfy the 30 notice requirement of this section shall result in the taxes, for all
- 31 taxable years affected by the failure to give notice of the effective
- 1 date of the provision, remaining undivided and being paid into the funds
- 2 for each public body receiving property taxes generated by the property
- 3 in the redevelopment project. However, the redevelopment project
- 4 valuation for the remaining division of ad valorem taxes in accordance
- 5 with subdivisions (1)(a) and (b) of this section shall be the last

- 6 certified valuation for the taxable year prior to the effective date of
- 7 the provision to divide the taxes for the remaining portion of the
- 8 twenty-year or fifteen-year period pursuant to subsection (4) (3) of this 9 section.
- 10 2. On page 2, line 12, strike "(3)(a)", show as stricken, and insert 11 "(4)(a)".
- 12 3. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the repealer and
- 13 internal references accordingly.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Education

LEGISLATIVE BILL 455. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 71. Placed on General File with amendment.

AM833

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
- 2 sections:
- 3 Section 1. Section 79-530, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 4 amended to read:
- 5 79-530 (1) For purposes of sections 79-530 to 79-533 and sections 5
- 6 to 7 of this act, educational decisionmaker means a person designated or
- 7 ordered by a court to make educational decisions on behalf of a child.
- 8 (2) The Legislature finds and declares:
- 9 (a) (1) That parental involvement of parents, guardians, and
- 10 educational decisionmakers is a key factor in the education of children;
- 11 (b) (2) That such individuals parents need to be informed of the
- 12 educational practices affecting their children; and
- 13 (c) (3) That public schools should foster and facilitate access by
- 14 such individuals to parental information about and involvement in
- 15 educational practices affecting their children.
- 16 (3) It is the intent of the Legislature, through the enactment of
- 17 sections 79-531 to 79-533 and sections 5 to 7 of this act, to strengthen
- 18 the level of parental involvement and participation by parents,
- 19 guardians, and educational decisionmakers in the public school system of
- 20 the state.
- 21 Sec. 2. Section 79-531, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 22 amended to read:
- 23 79-531 (1) On or before July 1, 2024 1995, each public school
- 24 district in the state shall develop and adopt a policy stating how the
- 25 district will seek to involve parents, guardians, or educational
- 26 <u>decisionmakers</u> in the <u>education of their children</u> schools and <u>the rights</u>
- 27 of each parent, guardian, or educational decisionmaker to: what parents'
- 1 rights shall be relating to access to the schools,
- 2 (a) Access testing information, and curriculum; and matters.
- 3 (b) Request that a child be excused from specific instruction or
- 4 activities.
- 5 (2) The policy of each public school district relating to how the
- 6 district will seek to involve parents in the schools and what rights
- 7 parents have relating to access to schools that is in effect prior to the
- 8 effective date of this act shall remain in effect until a new policy is
- 9 developed and adopted on or before July 1, 2024, pursuant to subsection
- 10 (1) of this section.
 11 Sec. 3. Section 79-532, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 12 amended to read:
- 13 79-532 (1) The policy required by section 79-531 shall include, but
- 14 need not be limited to, the following:
- 15 (a) (1) How the school district will provide access to parents,
- 16 guardians, or educational decisionmakers concerning textbooks; 7 tests;

- FORTY-SEVENTH DAY MARCH 21, 2023 17 activities information; digital materials; websites or applications used 18 for learning; training materials for teachers, administrators, and staff; 19 procedures for the review and approval of training materials, learning 20 materials, and activities; -, and other curriculum materials used in the 21 school district: 22 (b) (2) How the school district will accommodate handle requests by 23 parents, guardians, or educational decisionmakers to attend and monitor 24 courses, assemblies, counseling sessions, and other instructional 26 (c) (3) Under what circumstances parents, guardians, or educational 27 decisionmakers may ask that their children be excused from testing, 28 classroom instruction, learning materials, activities, guest speaker 29 events, and other school experiences the parents, guardians, or 30 educational decisionmakers may find objectionable; 31 (d) (4) How the school district will provide access to records of 1 students; 2 (e) (5) What the school district's testing policy will be; and 3 (f) (6) How the school district participates in surveys of students 4 and the right of parents, guardians, or educational decisionmakers to 5 remove their children from such surveys. 6 (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require disclosure 7 of information in violation of the federal Family Educational Rights and 8 Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, or any federal 9 regulations and applicable guidelines adopted in accordance with such 10 act, as such act, regulations, and guidelines existed on January 1, 2023. 11 Sec. 4. Section 79-533, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is 12 amended to read: 13 79-533 The policy required by section 79-531 shall be developed with 14 parental input from parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers 15 and shall be the subject of a public hearing before the school board or 16 board of education of the school district before adoption by the board. 17 The policy shall be reviewed annually and either altered and adopted as 18 altered or reaffirmed by the board following a public hearing. Any public 19 hearing under this section shall include a reasonable opportunity for 21 Sec. 5. By August 1, 2024, each school district shall make the 22 policy required by section 79-531 accessible on the school district's 23 public website. The policy shall be accessible by a prominently displayed 24 link on such website. If the policy is altered, the new version of the 25 policy shall be made accessible within a reasonable time thereafter. 26 Sec. 6. To the extent practicable, each public school district 27 shall make a reasonable effort to make any learning materials, including 28 original materials, available for inspection by a parent, guardian, or 29 educational decisionmaker upon request. 30 Sec. 7. If the Commissioner of Education determines that any school
- 31 district has intentionally refused, in a material manner, to comply with 1 sections 79-530 to 79-533 and sections 5 and 6 of this act, the 2 commissioner shall notify the school district of the noncompliance and 3 allow the school district a reasonable time to comply. If the 4 commissioner determines, after such time has elapsed, that the school 5 district is not in compliance and has not made a good faith attempt to 6 comply, the commissioner shall take appropriate remedial action within 7 the commissioner's authority, up to and including qualifying such 8 noncompliance as a violation of the rules and regulations for the
- 10 Sec. 8. Original sections 79-530, 79-531, 79-532, and 79-533,

9 accreditation of schools.

11 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 222. Placed on General File with amendment.

AM699

- 1 1. Strike the original section and insert the following new section:
- 2 Section 1. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section,
- 3 no publicly funded college or university in this state shall, as part of
- 4 the student application and admission process for disciplines not
- 5 requiring licensure or clinical or field placements, inquire about or
- 6 consider any applicant's criminal history or juvenile court record
- 7 information.
- 8 (2)(a) Subsection (1) of this section does not prohibit an inquiry
- 9 regarding an applicant's criminal history or juvenile court record
- 10 information or consideration of such matters to the extent required by
- 11 state or federal law or when such matters are voluntarily submitted by an
- 12 applicant.
- 13 (b) Any inquiry regarding an applicant's criminal history or
- 14 juvenile court record information and any consideration of such matters
- 15 shall be strictly limited to the extent permitted by this subsection.
- 16 (3) This section does not apply to inquiries or consideration of
- 17 criminal history or juvenile court record information (a) occurring
- 18 subsequent to the student application and admission process as part of a
- 19 professional licensure process or an academically required clinical or
- 20 field placement, (b) any application or other process relating to student
- 21 housing, or (c) any application or other process relating to any athletic
- 22 program.
- 23 (4) For purposes of this section, criminal history or juvenile court
- 24 record information means all records relating to an applicant's criminal
- 25 history record or juvenile court record, including, but not limited to,
- 26 any information or other data concerning any proceedings relating to a
- 27 case, any arrest, being taking into custody, a petition, a complaint, an
- 1 indictment, an information, a trial, a hearing, an adjudication, any
- 2 <u>correctional supervision</u>, a dismissal, or any other disposition or

(Signed) Dave Murman, Chairperson

BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill was read for the first time by title:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 684A. Introduced by Briese, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 684, One Hundred Eighth Legislature, First Session, 2023; and to declare an emergency.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 574. Senator Hunt renewed MO9, found on page 289 and considered in this day's Journal, to indefinitely postpone prior to the bill being read, pursuant to Rule 6 Section 3(f).

Senator Slama renewed her motion, found in this day's Journal, to overrule the Chair on the ruling of her previous question.

Senator M. Cavanaugh moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 30 ayes, 3 nays, and 16 not voting.

Senator Wayne requested a roll call vote on the motion to overrule the chair.

Voting in the affirmative, 27:

Albrecht Dorn Hardin Lippincott Sanders Holdcroft Ballard Dover Lowe Slama Bostelman Hughes McDonnell von Gillern Erdman Brandt Geist Ibach Moser Clements Halloran Jacobson Murman Kauth DeKay Hansen Riepe

Voting in the negative, 16:

Armendariz Conrad Fredrickson Vargas Blood Day Hunt Walz Bostar DeBoer McKinney Wayne Cavanaugh, J. Raybould Wishart Dungan

Present and not voting, 4:

Arch Briese Cavanaugh, M. Linehan

Excused and not voting, 2:

Aguilar Brewer

The Slama motion to overrule the Chair prevailed with 27 ayes, 16 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The Chair was overruled.

Senator Hunt requested a roll call vote on the motion to cease debate.

Voting in the affirmative, 28:

Albrecht Clements Halloran Kauth Riepe Armendariz DeKay Hansen Lippincott Sanders Ballard Dorn Hardin Lowe Slama Bostelman Dover Holdcroft McDonnell von Gillern Brandt Erdman Ibach Moser Briese Geist Jacobson Murman

Voting in the negative, 15:

Blood Conrad Dungan McKinney Walz Bostar Day Fredrickson Raybould Wayne Cavanaugh, J. DeBoer Hughes Vargas Wishart

Present and not voting, 4:

Arch Cavanaugh, M. Hunt Linehan

Excused and not voting, 2:

Aguilar Brewer

The motion to cease debate prevailed with 28 ayes, 15 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Hunt requested a roll call vote on her motion to indefinitely postpone prior to the bill being read.

Voting in the affirmative, 13:

Blood Fredrickson Vargas Wishart Day Cavanaugh, J. DeBoer McKinney Walz Conrad Dungan Raybould Wayne

Voting in the negative, 31:

Albrecht Linehan Sanders Clements Hansen Hardin Arch DeKay Lippincott Slama Holdcroft Lowe von Gillern Armendariz Dorn McDonnell Ballard Dover Hughes Bostelman Erdman Ibach Moser Brandt Jacobson Murman Geist Briese Halloran Kauth Riepe

Present and not voting, 3:

Bostar Cavanaugh, M. Hunt

Excused and not voting, 2:

Aguilar Brewer

The Hunt motion to indefinitely postpone prior to the bill being read failed with 13 ayes, 31 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

AMENDMENT - Print in Journal

Senator Kauth filed the following amendment to <u>LB574</u>:

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
- 2 sections: 3 Section 1. Section 38-179, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 4 2022, is amended to read:
- 5 38-179 For purposes of section 38-178, unprofessional conduct means

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6 any departure from or failure to conform to the standards of acceptable
7 and prevailing practice of a profession or the ethics of the profession, 8 regardless of whether a person, consumer, or entity is injured, or
of togardess of which a person, consumer, of charges in fluence, of 9 conduct that is likely to deceive or defraud the public or is detrimental 10 to the public interest, including, but not limited to:

11 (1) Receipt of fees on the assurance that an incurable disease can
12 be permanently cured;
13 (2) Division of fees, or agreeing to split or divide the fees,
14 received for professional services with any person for bringing or
15 referring a consumer other than (a) with a partner or employee of the
16 applicant or credential holder or his or her office or clinic, (b) with a
17 landlord of the applicant or credential holder pursuant to a written
18 agreement that provides for payment of rent based on gross receipts, or
19 (c) with a former partner or employee of the applicant or credential
20 holder based on a retirement plan or separation agreement;
21 (3) Obtaining any fee for professional services by fraud, deceit, or
22 misrepresentation, including, but not limited to, falsification of third-
23 party claim documents;
24 (4) Cheating on or attempting to subvert the credentialing
25 examination;
26 (5) Assisting in the care or treatment of a consumer without the
27 consent of such consumer or his or her legal representative;
1 (6) Use of any letters, words, or terms, either as a prefix, affix,
2 or suffix, on stationery, in advertisements, or otherwise, indicating
3 that such person is entitled to practice a profession for which he or she
4 is not credentialed;
5 (7) Performing, procuring, or aiding and abetting in the performance
6 or procurement of a criminal abortion;
7 (8) Knowingly disclosing confidential information except as
8 otherwise permitted by law;
9 (9) Commission of any act of sexual abuse, misconduct, or 10 exploitation related to the practice of the profession of the applicant
11 or credential holder;
12 (10) Failure to keep and maintain adequate records of treatment or
13 service:
14 (11) Prescribing, administering, distributing, dispensing, giving, 15 or selling any controlled substance or other drug recognized as addictive 16 or dangerous for other than a medically accepted therapeutic purpose;
17 (12) Prescribing any controlled substance to (a) oneself or (b)
18 except in the case of a medical emergency (i) one's spouse, (ii) one's
19 child, (iii) one's parent, (iv) one's sibling, or (v) any other person 20 living in the same household as the prescriber;
21 (13) Failure to comply with any federal, state, or municipal law,
22 ordinance, rule, or regulation that pertains to the applicable
23 profession;
24 (14) Disruptive behavior, whether verbal or physical, which
25 interferes with consumer care or could reasonably be expected to
26 interfere with such care; and
27 (15) Performing gender-reassignment surgery for an individual
28 younger than nineteen years of age in violation of section 2 of this act;
29 and
30 \overline{(16)} (15) Such other acts as may be defined in rules and
31 regulations.
1 Nothing in this section shall be construed to exclude determination
2 of additional conduct that is unprofessional by adjudication in
3 individual contested cases.
4 Sec. 2. (1) For purposes of this section:
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5 (a) Biological sex means the biological indication of male and

11 aspects of being male or female;

6 female in the context of reproductive potential or capacity, such as sex 7 chromosomes, naturally occurring sex hormones, gonads, and nonambiguous 8 internal and external genitalia present at birth, without regard to an 9 individual's psychological, chosen, or subjective experience of gender; 10 (b) Gender means the psychological, behavioral, social, and cultural

- 12 (c) Gender transition means the process in which a person goes from 13 identifying with and living as a gender that corresponds to the person's 4 biological sex to identifying with and living as a gender different from
- 15 the person's biological sex and may involve social, legal, or physical 16 changes;
- 17 (d) Irreversible gender-reassignment surgery means a medical
- 18 procedure performed for the purpose of assisting an individual with a
- 19 gender transition, including any of the following:
- 20 (i) Penectomy, orchiectomy, vaginoplasty, clitoroplasty, or
- 21 vulvoplasty for biologically male patients or hysterectomy or ovariectomy
- 22 for biologically female patients;
- 23 (ii) Metoidioplasty, phalloplasty, vaginectomy, scrotoplasty, or
- 24 implantation of erection or testicular prostheses for biologically female
- 26 (iii) Augmentation mammoplasty for biologically male patients and
- 27 subcutaneous mastectomy for biologically female patients; and
- 28 (e) Physician means a person who is licensed as a physician pursuant
- 29 to the Medicine and Surgery Practice Act.
- 30 (2) A physician shall not provide irreversible gender-reassignment
- 31 surgery to any individual who is under nineteen years of age.
- 1 (3) A physician may provide any of the following to an individual
- 2 who is under nineteen years of age:
- (a) Services to an individual born with a medically verifiable
- 4 disorder of sex development, including an individual with external
- biological sex characteristics that are irresolvably ambiguous, such as
- being born with forty-six XX chromosomes with virilization or forty-six
- XY chromosomes with undervirilization or having both ovarian and
- 8 testicular tissue;
- 9 (b) Services provided when a physician has otherwise diagnosed a 10 disorder of sexual development and has determined through genetic or
- 11 biochemical testing that the individual does not have normal sex
- 12 chromosome structure, sex steroid hormone production, or sex steroid
- 13 hormone action;

- 14 (c) The treatment of any infection, injury, disease, or disorder
 15 that has been caused by or exacerbated by the performance of gender
 16 transition procedures, whether or not the gender transition procedure was
- 17 performed in accordance with state and federal law; or 18 (d) Any procedure undertaken because the individual suffers from a
- 19 physical disorder, physical injury, or physical illness that would, as
- 20 certified by a physician, place the individual in imminent danger of
- 21 death or impairment of major bodily function unless surgery is performed. 22 Sec. 3. Original section 38-179, Revised Statutes Cumulative 23 Supplement, 2022, is repealed.

MOTIONS - Print in Journal

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following motion to LB574: **MO82**

Bracket until June 1, 2023.

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following motion to LB574: **MO83**

Recommit to the Health and Human Services Committee.

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following motion to LB574: **MO84**

Recommit to the Health and Human Services Committee.

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following motion to <u>LB574</u>: MO85

Recommit to the Health and Human Services Committee.

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following motion to <u>LB574</u>: MO86

Bracket until May 29, 2023.

Senator Hunt filed the following motion to <u>LB574</u>:

Reconsider the vote taken on MO9.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducers

Unanimous consent to add Senators as cointroducers. No objections. So ordered.

Senator McDonnell named added to LB511. Senator Bostar name added to LB736.

VISITORS

Visitors to the Chamber were students, parents, and teachers from Platte Valley Christian School, Paxton; Matriarchs for Change from across the state; Children and Family Coalition of Nebraska; Family Focused Treatment Association; Nebraska Association of Nebraska; NABHO; Nebraska Alliance of Family and Child Service Providers; Douglas County Democrats, Omaha.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:02 p.m., on a motion by Senator J. Cavanaugh the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

Brandon Metzler Clerk of the Legislature