

E AND R AMENDMENTS TO LB 596

Introduced by Guereca, 7, Chairman Enrollment and Review

1           1. Strike the original sections and all amendments thereto and  
2 insert the following new sections:

3           **Section 1.** Section 23-346.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,  
4 is amended to read:

5           23-346.01 ~~In It shall be the duty of the county clerk, in all~~  
6 counties having a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more  
7 inhabitants as determined by the most recent federal decennial census, ~~on~~  
8 ~~or before December 1, annually, to prepare separate estimates of the~~  
9 ~~supplies, materials, equipment and machinery required for the use of the~~  
10 ~~county officers during the coming year, which by law are not required to~~  
11 ~~be furnished by the state, and, in order to properly estimate the amounts~~  
12 ~~of supplies, materials, equipment and machinery to be needed by the~~  
13 ~~county government,~~ the county clerk or the county clerk's designee shall  
14 keep a perpetual inventory of all personal property of the county.

15           **Sec. 2.** Section 23-1303, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
16 amended to read:

17           23-1303 (1) The county clerk shall not issue any county warrants  
18 except upon claims approved by the county board. Every warrant issued  
19 shall be numbered consecutively as allowed from July 1 to June 30,  
20 corresponding with the fiscal year of the county. The county clerk shall  
21 maintain records including the date, amount, and number of each warrant,  
22 the name of the person to whom a warrant is issued, and the date a  
23 warrant is returned as canceled. The records shall be made accessible to  
24 the public for viewing, in either an electronic or printed format.

25           (2)(a) The county clerk shall develop and implement a system of  
26 warrant preparation and issuance by electronic or mechanical means which  
27 is compatible with the funds transfer system established by the county

1 treasurer pursuant to subsection (6) of this section. The county clerk  
2 may combine warrants for individual funds into a summary warrant that  
3 lists each fund and the amount requested from such fund.

4 (b) Warrant includes an order issued by the chairperson of the  
5 county board and countersigned by the county clerk directing that the  
6 county treasurer make payment in a specified amount to a specified payee  
7 by the use of a dual signature negotiable instrument as provided for in  
8 subsections (3) and (4) of this section, an electronic funds transfer  
9 system, a telephonic funds transfer system, funds transfers as provided  
10 in article 4A, Uniform Commercial Code, a mechanical funds transfer  
11 system, or any other funds transfer system established by the county  
12 treasurer.

13 (3) The chairperson of the county board shall sign each warrant or  
14 shall cause each warrant to be signed in his or her behalf either  
15 personally, by delegation of authority, or by facsimile or electronic  
16 signature. The signature of the chairperson of the county board shall  
17 signify that the payment intended by a warrant bearing such signature is  
18 proper under the appropriate laws of the state and resolutions of the  
19 county.

20 (4) The county clerk shall countersign all warrants issued by the  
21 chairperson of the county board either personally, by delegation of  
22 authority, or by facsimile or electronic signature.

23 (5) The county treasurer shall, if requested by the county clerk or  
24 the county board, establish procedures and processes for facsimile or  
25 electronic signature of warrants.

26 (6) The county treasurer may establish and operate an electronic  
27 funds transfer system, a telephonic funds transfer system, funds  
28 transfers as provided for in article 4A, Uniform Commercial Code, a  
29 mechanical funds transfer system, or any other funds transfer system for  
30 the payment of funds from and the deposit of receipts into the county  
31 treasury. Such system as established by the county treasurer shall employ

1 internal control safeguards and after meeting such safeguards shall be  
2 deemed to satisfy any signature requirements. The use of an electronic  
3 funds transfer system, a telephonic funds transfer system, funds  
4 transfers as provided for in article 4A, Uniform Commercial Code, a  
5 mechanical funds transfer system, or any other funds transfer system  
6 established by the county treasurer shall not create any rights that  
7 would not have been created had an order, drawn by the chairperson of the  
8 county board upon the county treasurer directing the latter to pay a  
9 specified amount to a specified payee by the use of a dual signature  
10 negotiable instrument as provided for in subsections (3) and (4) of this  
11 section, been used as the payment medium.

12 **Sec. 3.** Section 23-1309, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
13 amended to read:

14 23-1309 (1) It shall be the duty of the county clerk in each county  
15 to keep in a separate book or books, entitled Discharge Record, a copy of  
16 all discharges or records of separation from active duty from the armed  
17 forces of the United States. Information contained in the Discharge  
18 Record shall be confidential and made available only to the veteran,  
19 county veterans service officer, or post service officer of a recognized  
20 veterans organization.

21 (2) The county clerk may transfer the Discharge Record to the State  
22 Archives of the Nebraska State Historical Society for permanent  
23 preservation after the veteran's federal Official Military Personnel File  
24 becomes a public archival record or after sixty-two years, whichever is  
25 later.

26 **Sec. 4.** Section 23-1517.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
27 amended to read:

28 23-1517.01 (1) The recording of all instruments by the roll form of  
29 microfilm or other accessible durable medium may be substituted for the  
30 method of recording instruments in books, and the filing of all documents  
31 by the roll form of microfilm or other accessible durable medium may be

1 substituted for the method of filing original documents. If this method  
2 of recording instruments ~~on microfilm~~ or filing documents ~~on microfilm~~ is  
3 used, the original instruments so recorded and the original documents so  
4 filed need not be retained after the microfilm or other accessible  
5 durable medium has been verified for accuracy and quality, and a security  
6 copy shall ~~on silver negative microfilm in roll form~~ must be maintained  
7 and filed off premises under safe conditions to insure the protection of  
8 the records and shall meet the microfilm standards as prescribed by the  
9 State Records Administrator as provided in sections 84-1201 to 84-1220.  
10 The fee books shall provide the proper index information as to the  
11 microfilm roll and numerical sequence of all such recorded instruments  
12 and of all such filed documents. The internal reference copies or work  
13 copies of the instruments recorded on microfilm and of documents filed on  
14 microfilm may be in any photographic form to provide the necessary  
15 information as may be determined by the official in charge.

16 (2) For purposes of this section, a medium is accessible if it is  
17 able to be retrieved through intellectual, digital, or physical means  
18 within institutional or legal parameters.

19 **Sec. 5.** Section 23-1527, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
20 amended to read:

21 23-1527 A certified copy of a petition, with schedules omitted,  
22 commencing a proceeding under the laws of the United States relating to  
23 bankruptcy or a certified copy of the decree of adjudication or a  
24 certified copy of an order approving the bond of the trustee appointed in  
25 such proceedings shall be filed, indexed, and recorded in the office of  
26 the register of deeds of the county in which is located real property in  
27 which the bankrupt has an interest in the same manner as federal liens  
28 are filed, indexed, and recorded pursuant to the Uniform Federal Lien  
29 Registration Act. The filing fee for such recording shall be the same as  
30 the fee for filing and recording as set forth in section 9-525, Uniform  
31 Commercial Code. The register of deeds shall file the notices in a file

1 kept for such purpose and designated Notice of Bankruptcy Proceedings,  
2 except that in offices filing by the roll form of microfilm or other  
3 accessible durable medium pursuant to section 23-1517.01, the original  
4 notices need not be retained.

5 **Sec. 6.** Section 25-523, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
6 amended to read:

7 25-523 (1) For purposes of this section:

8 (a) Digital newspaper means an Internet website that:

9 (i) Employs staff in the county from which the digital newspaper is  
10 published online;

11 (ii) Has at least three hundred paid subscribers if located in a  
12 city of the metropolitan class or city of the primary class;

13 (iii) Has at least two hundred paid subscribers if located in a city  
14 of the first class, city of the second class, or village;

15 (iv) Publishes exclusively online;

16 (v) Has updated its news at least once each week for at least one  
17 year prior to the publication of a notice; and

18 (vi) Reports on events and governmental activities of local  
19 interest; and

20 (b) E-edition means a digital facsimile of a newspaper's print  
21 edition that is accessible from such newspaper's website and is  
22 substantially the same in both format and content as the print edition of  
23 such newspaper.

24 (2)(a) No newspaper shall be considered a legal newspaper for the  
25 publication of legal and other official notices unless the same shall  
26 have a bona fide circulation of at least three hundred paid subscriptions  
27 if located in a city of the metropolitan class or a city of the primary  
28 class or at least two hundred paid subscriptions if located in a city of  
29 the first class, city of the second class, or village weekly, and shall  
30 have been published within the county or an adjacent county for fifty-two  
31 successive weeks prior to the publication of such notice, and then

1 ~~subsequently at least fifty times per year, and be printed, either in~~  
2 ~~whole or in part, in an office maintained at the place of publication;~~  
3 ~~Provided, that~~

4 (b) The e-edition of a legal newspaper shall be considered a legal  
5 newspaper for the publication of legal and other official notices only if  
6 (i) such notices are contemporaneously published in the print edition of  
7 such newspaper or (ii) the newspaper (A) has ceased publication of its  
8 print edition and (B) was considered a legal newspaper when it ceased  
9 publication.

10 (c) If no newspaper considered to be a legal newspaper publishes  
11 either a print edition or an e-edition within a county, any legal and  
12 other official notices directed to persons or entities in that county may  
13 be published in a digital newspaper within the county if available at a  
14 rate not to exceed legal notice rates pursuant to sections 33-141 to  
15 33-143.

16 (3) Nothing ~~nothing~~ in this section shall invalidate the publication  
17 in a newspaper which has suspended publication ~~or been printed outside of~~  
18 ~~the county,~~ on account of fire, flood, or other unavoidable accident, for  
19 not to exceed ten weeks, in the year last preceding the first publication  
20 of a legal notice, advertising, or publication. All ~~;~~ ~~provided further,~~  
21 ~~that all~~ publications made prior to May 22, 1941, in a newspaper which  
22 has, on account of flood, fire, or other unavoidable accident, suspended  
23 publication or been printed in an office outside of the county, are  
24 hereby legalized ~~;~~ ~~provided further, that all newspapers, otherwise~~  
25 ~~complying herewith, which have, on account of flood, fire or other~~  
26 ~~unavoidable accident, suspended publication or been printed in an office~~  
27 ~~outside of the county, for not to exceed ten weeks in any year, are~~  
28 hereby legalized; ~~and provided further, that the publication of legal or~~  
29 ~~other official notices in the English language in foreign language~~  
30 ~~newspapers published within the county for fifty-two successive weeks~~  
31 ~~prior to the publication of such a notice, and printed either in whole or~~

1 ~~in part in an office maintained at the place of publication, shall also~~  
2 ~~be legal.~~

3 **Sec. 7.** Section 25-21,271, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,  
4 2024, is amended to read:

5 25-21,271 (1) Any person desiring to change his or her name shall  
6 file a petition in the district court of the county in which such person  
7 may be a resident, setting forth (a) that the petitioner has been a bona  
8 fide citizen of such county for at least one year prior to the filing of  
9 the petition, (b) the address of the petitioner, (c) the date of birth of  
10 the petitioner, (d) the cause for which the change of petitioner's name  
11 is sought, and (e) the name asked for.

12 (2)(a) Except as provided in subdivision (2)(b) of this section,  
13 notice of the filing of the petition shall be published in a newspaper in  
14 the county, and if no newspaper is printed in the county, then in a  
15 newspaper of general circulation therein. The notice shall be published  
16 ~~(i) once a week for four consecutive weeks if the petitioner is nineteen~~  
17 ~~years of age or older at the time the action is filed and (ii) once a~~  
18 ~~week for two consecutive weeks if the petitioner is under nineteen years~~  
19 ~~of age at the time the action is filed.~~

20 (b) The court may waive the notice requirement of subdivision (2)(a)  
21 of this section upon a showing by the petitioner that such notice would  
22 endanger the petitioner.

23 (3) In an action involving a petitioner under nineteen years of age  
24 who has a noncustodial parent, notice of the filing of the petition shall  
25 be sent by certified mail within five days after publication to the  
26 noncustodial parent at the address provided to the clerk of the district  
27 court pursuant to subsection (1) of section 42-364.13 for the  
28 noncustodial parent if he or she has provided an address. The clerk of  
29 the district court shall provide the petitioner with the address upon  
30 request.

31 (4) It shall be the duty of the district court, upon being duly

1 satisfied by proof in open court of the truth of the allegations set  
2 forth in the petition, that there exists proper and reasonable cause for  
3 changing the name of the petitioner, and that notice of the filing of the  
4 petition has been given as required by this section, to order and direct  
5 a change of name of such petitioner and that an order for the purpose be  
6 entered by the court.

7 (5) The clerk of the district court shall deliver a copy of any  
8 name-change order issued by the court pursuant to this section to the  
9 Department of Health and Human Services for use pursuant to sections  
10 28-376 and 28-718 and to the sex offender registration and community  
11 notification division of the Nebraska State Patrol for use pursuant to  
12 section 29-4004.

13 **Sec. 8.** Section 25-2228, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,  
14 2024, is amended to read:

15 25-2228 (1) All legal publications and notices of whatever kind or  
16 character that may by law be required to be published a certain number of  
17 days or a certain number of weeks shall be legally published when they  
18 have been published in a print edition of one issue in each week in a  
19 daily, weekly, semiweekly, or triweekly newspaper, or in an e-edition or  
20 digital newspaper as provided in section 25-523 ~~such publication in such~~  
21 ~~daily, semiweekly, or triweekly paper or papers to be made upon any one~~  
22 ~~day of the week upon which such paper is published. Nothing in this~~  
23 ~~section shall be construed as preventing the publication of such legal~~  
24 ~~notices and publications in weekly newspapers.~~ Any newspaper publishing  
25 such legal notices or publications as provided in this section must shall  
26 be otherwise qualified under section 25-523 ~~existing law~~ to publish such  
27 notices or publications. All legal publications and all notices of  
28 whatever kind or character that may be required by law to be published a  
29 certain number of days or a certain number of weeks, shall be and hereby  
30 are declared to be legally published when they shall have been published  
31 once a week in a weekly, semiweekly, triweekly, or daily newspaper for

1 the number of weeks, covering the period of publication. For the purpose  
2 of this section, when a newspaper is published regularly four or more  
3 times each week, it shall be deemed a daily newspaper.

4 (2) Beginning October 1, 2022, all legal publications and notices of  
5 whatever kind or character that may by law be required to be published a  
6 certain number of days or a certain number of weeks shall also be posted  
7 by the newspaper or digital newspaper publishing such legal publications  
8 or notices on a statewide website established and maintained as a  
9 repository for such notices by a majority of Nebraska newspapers. A  
10 website posting or a failure to make such website posting under this  
11 subsection shall not affect the validity of the publication or notice  
12 published under subsection (1) of this section.

13 **Sec. 9.** Section 33-110, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
14 amended to read:

15 33-110 County clerks shall receive no fee for the performance of the  
16 following services: For issuing certificates of election; for performing  
17 the duties of clerk of the county board; for taking acknowledgments of  
18 claims against the county; for attesting or certifying any document  
19 authorized by the county board or required by the departments of the  
20 state; or for recording Army or Navy discharges or furnishing certified  
21 copies thereof to be used in connection with any claim for compensation  
22 or disability. A charge of twenty-five cents shall be made for any other  
23 certificate and seal unless otherwise provided. The fees collected shall  
24 be credited to the county general fund.

25 County clerks shall receive a fee of fifty ~~twenty-five~~ dollars for  
26 the entire proceedings of issuing a marriage license, administering the  
27 related oaths or affirmations, and recording a marriage certificate. An  
28 additional fee of sixteen ~~nine~~ dollars shall be made for each certified  
29 copy of a marriage record on file in the office of the county clerk. Both  
30 such fees shall be deposited in the county general fund.

31 **Sec. 10.** Section 33-141, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

1 2024, is amended to read:

2 33-141 (1) Until one year after September 9, 1995, the legal rate  
3 for the publication of all legal notices other than those exceptional  
4 legal notices described in section 33-142 shall be forty-one cents per  
5 line, single column, standard newspaper measurements of eight-point type  
6 and pica width of eleven for the first insertion and thirty-five and  
7 nine-tenths cents per line, single column, standard newspaper  
8 measurements of eight-point type and pica width of eleven for each  
9 subsequent insertion. Publication of such notices may be in any type  
10 selected by the publisher. For the purpose of uniformity, the calculation  
11 of fees for such publication shall be based on the official conversion  
12 table that follows:

13 CONVERSION TABLE

14 Five-and-One-Half-Point Type

15 Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
16 9	48.791 ¢	42.721 ¢
17 9 1/2	51.502	45.095
18 10	54.213	47.469
19 10 1/2	56.924	49.843
20 11	59.635	52.217
21 11 1/2	62.346	54.591
22 12	65.057	56.965
23 12 1/2	67.768	59.339
24 13	70.479	61.713
25 13 1/2	73.190	64.087
26 14	75.901	66.461
27 14 1/2	78.612	68.835
28 15	81.323	71.209
29 15 1/2	84.034	73.583
30 16	86.745	75.957

Six-Point Type			
1	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
2	9	44.725 ¢	39.161 ¢
3	9 1/2	47.210	41.337
4	10	49.695	43.513
5	10 1/2	52.180	45.689
6	11	54.665	47.865
7	11 1/2	57.150	50.041
8	12	59.635	52.217
9	12 1/2	62.120	54.393
10	13	64.605	56.569
11	13 1/2	67.090	58.745
12	14	69.575	60.921
13	14 1/2	72.060	63.097
14	15	74.545	65.273
15	15 1/2	77.030	67.449
16	16	79.515	69.625
17			
Seven-Point Type			
18	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
19	9	38.339 ¢	33.570 ¢
20	9 1/2	40.469	35.435
21	10	42.599	37.300
22	10 1/2	44.729	39.165
23	11	46.859	41.030
24	11 1/2	48.989	42.895
25	12	51.119	44.760
26	12 1/2	53.249	46.625
27	13	55.379	48.490
28	13 1/2	57.509	50.355
29			



1	11 1/2	38.102	33.363
2	12	39.759	34.814
3	12 1/2	41.416	36.265
4	13	43.073	37.716
5	13 1/2	44.730	39.167
6	14	46.387	40.618
7	14 1/2	48.044	42.069
8	15	49.701	43.520
9	15 1/2	51.358	44.971
10	16	53.015	46.422

11 Ten-Point Type

12	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
13	9	26.836 ¢	23.496 ¢
14	9 1/2	28.327	24.802
15	10	29.818	26.108
16	10 1/2	31.309	27.414
17	11	32.800	28.720
18	11 1/2	34.291	30.026
19	12	35.782	31.332
20	12 1/2	37.273	32.638
21	13	38.764	33.944
22	13 1/2	40.255	35.250
23	14	41.746	36.556
24	14 1/2	43.237	37.862
25	15	44.728	39.168
26	15 1/2	46.219	40.474
27	16	47.710	41.780.

28 (2) Until October 1, 2022, the legal rate for the publication of all  
29 legal notices other than those exceptional legal notices described in

1 section 33-142 shall be forty-five cents per line, single column,  
2 standard newspaper measurements of eight-point type and pica width of  
3 eleven for the first insertion and thirty-nine and four-tenths cents per  
4 line, single column, standard newspaper measurements of eight-point type  
5 and pica width of eleven for each subsequent insertion. Publication of  
6 such notices may be in any type selected by the publisher. For the  
7 purpose of uniformity, the calculation of fees for such publication shall  
8 be based on the official conversion table that follows:

9 CONVERSION TABLE

10 Five-and-One-Half-Point Type

11 Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
12 9	53.553 ¢	46.887 ¢
13 9 1/2	56.528	49.492
14 10	59.503	52.097
15 10 1/2	62.478	54.702
16 11	65.453	57.307
17 11 1/2	68.428	59.912
18 12	71.403	62.517
19 12 1/2	74.378	65.122
20 13	77.353	67.727
21 13 1/2	80.328	70.332
22 14	83.303	72.937
23 14 1/2	86.278	75.542
24 15	89.253	78.147
25 15 1/2	92.228	80.752
26 16	95.203	83.357

27 Six-Point Type

28 Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
29 9	49.087 ¢	42.980 ¢

1	9 1/2	51.815	45.368
2	10	54.543	47.756
3	10 1/2	57.271	50.144
4	11	59.999	52.532
5	11 1/2	62.727	54.920
6	12	65.455	57.308
7	12 1/2	68.183	59.696
8	13	70.911	62.084
9	13 1/2	73.639	64.472
10	14	76.367	66.860
11	14 1/2	79.095	69.248
12	15	81.823	71.636
13	15 1/2	84.551	74.024
14	16	87.279	76.412

15		Seven-Point Type	
16	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
17	9	42.079 ¢	36.842 ¢
18	9 1/2	44.417	38.889
19	10	46.755	40.936
20	10 1/2	49.093	42.983
21	11	51.431	45.030
22	11 1/2	53.769	47.077
23	12	56.107	49.124
24	12 1/2	58.445	51.171
25	13	60.783	53.218
26	13 1/2	63.121	55.265
27	14	65.459	57.312
28	14 1/2	67.797	59.359
29	15	70.135	61.406

1	15 1/2	72.473	63.453
2	16	74.811	65.500
3		Eight-Point Type	
4	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
5	9	36.816 ¢	32.236 ¢
6	9 1/2	38.862	34.027
7	10	40.908	35.818
8	10 1/2	42.954	37.609
9	11	45.000	39.400
10	11 1/2	47.046	41.191
11	12	49.092	42.982
12	12 1/2	51.138	44.773
13	13	53.184	46.564
14	13 1/2	55.230	48.355
15	14	57.276	50.146
16	14 1/2	59.322	51.937
17	15	61.368	53.728
18	15 1/2	63.414	55.519
19	16	65.460	57.310
20		Nine-Point Type	
21	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
22	9	32.724 ¢	28.655 ¢
23	9 1/2	34.543	30.247
24	10	36.362	31.839
25	10 1/2	38.181	33.431
26	11	40.000	35.023
27	11 1/2	41.819	36.615
28	12	43.638	38.207
29	12 1/2	45.457	39.799

1	13	47.276	41.391
2	13 1/2	49.095	42.983
3	14	50.914	44.575
4	14 1/2	52.733	46.167
5	15	54.552	47.759
6	15 1/2	56.371	49.351
7	16	58.190	50.943
8		Ten-Point Type	
9	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
10	9	29.452 ¢	25.788 ¢
11	9 1/2	31.089	27.221
12	10	32.726	28.654
13	10 1/2	34.363	30.087
14	11	36.000	31.520
15	11 1/2	37.637	32.953
16	12	39.274	34.386
17	12 1/2	40.911	35.819
18	13	42.548	37.252
19	13 1/2	44.185	38.685
20	14	45.822	40.118
21	14 1/2	47.459	41.551
22	15	49.096	42.984
23	15 1/2	50.733	44.417
24	16	52.370	45.850.

25 (3) Beginning October 1, 2022, and until October 1, 2023, the legal  
26 rate for the publication of all legal notices other than those  
27 exceptional legal notices described in section 33-142 shall be forty-  
28 eight cents per line, single column, standard newspaper measurements of  
29 eight-point type and pica width of eleven for the first insertion and

1 thirty-nine and four-tenths cents per line, single column, standard  
2 newspaper measurements of eight-point type and pica width of eleven for  
3 each subsequent insertion. Publication of such notices may be in any type  
4 selected by the publisher. For the purpose of uniformity, the calculation  
5 of fees for such publication shall be based on the official conversion  
6 table that follows:

7 CONVERSION TABLE			
8 Five-and-One-Half-Point Type			
9 Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions	
10 9	57.102 ¢	49.700 ¢	
11 9 1/2	60.296	52.462	
12 10	63.469	55.223	
13 10 1/2	66.643	57.984	
14 11	69.816	60.745	
15 11 1/2	72.989	63.507	
16 12	76.163	66.268	
17 12 1/2	79.336	69.029	
18 13	82.509	71.791	
19 13 1/2	85.683	74.552	
20 14	88.856	77.313	
21 14 1/2	92.029	80.075	
22 15	95.203	82.836	
23 15 1/2	98.376	85.597	
24 16	101.549	88.358	
25 Six-Point Type			
26 Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions	
27 9	52.359 ¢	45.559 ¢	
28 9 1/2	55.269	48.090	
29 10	58.179	50.621	

1	10 1/2	61.089	53.153
2	11	63.999	55.684
3	11 1/2	66.908	58.215
4	12	69.818	60.746
5	12 1/2	72.728	63.278
6	13	75.638	65.809
7	13 1/2	78.548	68.340
8	14	81.458	94.192
9	14 1/2	84.367	73.403
10	15	87.277	75.934
11	15 1/2	90.187	78.465
12	16	93.097	80.997
13		Seven-Point Type	
14	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
15	9	44.884 ¢	39.053 ¢
16	9 1/2	47.378	41.222
17	10	49.872	43.392
18	10 1/2	52.366	45.562
19	11	54.859	47.732
20	11 1/2	57.353	49.902
21	12	59.847	52.071
22	12 1/2	62.341	54.241
23	13	64.835	56.411
24	13 1/2	67.329	58.581
25	14	69.819	60.751
26	14 1/2	72.316	62.921
27	15	74.810	65.090
28	15 1/2	77.304	67.260
29	16	79.798	69.430

Eight-Point Type			
	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
1			
2			
3	9	39.270 ¢	34.170 ¢
4	9 1/2	41.453	36.069
5	10	43.635	37.967
6	10 1/2	45.817	39.866
7	11	48.000	41.764
8	11 1/2	50.182	43.662
9	12	52.364	45.561
10	12 1/2	54.547	47.459
11	13	56.729	49.358
12	13 1/2	58.912	51.256
13	14	61.094	53.155
14	14 1/2	63.276	55.053
15	15	65.459	56.952
16	15 1/2	67.641	58.850
17	16	69.824	60.749
18			
Nine-Point Type			
	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
19			
20	9	34.905 ¢	30.374 ¢
21	9 1/2	36.846	32.062
22	10	38.786	33.749
23	10 1/2	40.726	35.437
24	11	42.666	37.124
25	11 1/2	44.607	38.812
26	12	46.547	40.499
27	12 1/2	48.487	42.187
28	13	50.427	43.874
29	13 1/2	52.368	45.562

1	14	54.308	47.250
2	14 1/2	56.248	48.937
3	15	58.188	50.625
4	15 1/2	60.129	52.312
5	16	62.069	54.000
6		Ten-Point Type	
7	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
8	9	31.415 ¢	27.335 ¢
9	9 1/2	33.161	28.854
10	10	34.908	30.373
11	10 1/2	36.654	31.892
12	11	38.400	33.411
13	11 1/2	40.146	34.930
14	12	41.892	36.449
15	12 1/2	43.638	37.968
16	13	45.384	39.487
17	13 1/2	47.130	41.006
18	14	48.876	42.525
19	14 1/2	50.623	44.044
20	15	52.369	45.563
21	15 1/2	54.115	47.082
22	16	55.861	48.601.

23 (4) Beginning October 1, 2023, the legal rate for the publication of  
24 all legal notices other than those exceptional legal notices described in  
25 section 33-142 shall be fifty cents per line, single column, standard  
26 newspaper measurements of eight-point type and pica width of eleven for  
27 the first insertion and forty-three and thirty-four hundredths ~~thirty-~~  
28 ~~nine and four tenths~~ cents per line, single column, standard newspaper  
29 measurements of eight-point type and pica width of eleven for each

1 subsequent insertion. Publication of such notices may be in any type  
2 selected by the publisher. For the purpose of uniformity, the calculation  
3 of fees for such publication shall be based on the official conversion  
4 table that follows:

5 CONVERSION TABLE			
6 Five-and-One-Half-Point Type			
7 Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions	
8 9	59.481 ¢	51.576 ¢	
9 9 1/2	62.808	54.441	
10 10	66.114	57.307	
11 10 1/2	69.419	60.172	
12 11	72.725	63.038	
13 11 1/2	76.030	65.903	
14 12	79.336	68.769	
15 12 1/2	82.641	71.634	
16 13	85.947	74.500	
17 13 1/2	89.552	77.365	
18 14	92.558	80.231	
19 14 1/2	95.863	83.096	
20 15	99.169	85.962	
21 15 1/2	102.475	88.827	
22 16	105.780	91.693	
23 Six-Point Type			
24 Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions	
25 9	54.541 ¢	47.278 ¢	
26 9 1/2	57.572	49.905	
27 10	60.603	52.532	
28 10 1/2	63.634	55.158	
29 11	66.665	57.785	

1	11 1/2	69.696	60.412
2	12	72.727	63.039
3	12 1/2	75.758	65.666
4	13	78.789	68.292
5	13 1/2	81.820	70.919
6	14	84.851	97.746
7	14 1/2	87.882	76.173
8	15	90.914	78.800
9	15 1/2	93.945	81.426
10	16	96.976	84.053
11		Seven-Point Type	
12	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
13	9	46.754 ¢	40.526 ¢
14	9 1/2	49.352	42.778
15	10	51.949	45.030
16	10 1/2	54.547	47.281
17	11	57.145	49.533
18	11 1/2	59.743	51.785
19	12	62.340	54.036
20	12 1/2	64.938	56.288
21	13	67.536	58.540
22	13 1/2	70.134	60.792
23	14	72.728	63.043
24	14 1/2	75.329	65.295
25	15	77.927	67.547
26	15 1/2	80.525	69.798
27	16	83.123	72.050
28		Eight-Point Type	
29	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions

1	9	40.906 ¢	35.460 ¢
2	9 1/2	43.180	37.430
3	10	45.453	39.400
4	10 1/2	47.726	41.370
5	11	50.000	43.340
6	11 1/2	52.273	45.310
7	12	54.546	47.280
8	12 1/2	56.819	49.250
9	13	59.093	51.220
10	13 1/2	61.366	53.191
11	14	63.639	55.161
12	14 1/2	65.913	57.131
13	15	68.186	59.101
14	15 1/2	70.459	61.071
15	16	72.733	63.041
16		Nine-Point Type	
17	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
18	9	36.360 ¢	31.521 ¢
19	9 1/2	38.381	33.272
20	10	40.402	35.023
21	10 1/2	42.423	36.774
22	11	44.444	38.525
23	11 1/2	46.465	40.277
24	12	48.486	42.028
25	12 1/2	50.507	43.779
26	13	52.528	45.530
27	13 1/2	54.549	47.281
28	14	56.571	49.033
29	14 1/2	58.592	50.784

1	15	60.613	52.535
2	15 1/2	62.634	54.286
3	16	64.655	56.037
4		Ten-Point Type	
5	Pica Width	First Insertion	Subsequent Insertions
6	9	32.721 ¢	28.367 ¢
7	9 1/2	34.540	29.943
8	10	36.359	31.519
9	10 1/2	38.177	33.096
10	11	39.996	34.672
11	11 1/2	41.815	36.248
12	12	43.633	37.825
13	12 1/2	45.452	39.401
14	13	47.271	40.977
15	13 1/2	49.090	42.554
16	14	50.908	44.130
17	14 1/2	52.727	45.706
18	15	54.546	47.282
19	15 1/2	56.364	48.859
20	16	58.183	50.453.

21       **Sec. 11.** Section 69-1311, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is  
22 amended to read:

23       69-1311 (a) The State Treasurer shall annually cause notice to be  
24 published once in each ~~an English language~~ legal newspaper of general  
25 circulation in each county in this state ~~in which is located the last-~~  
26 ~~known address of any person to be named in the notice. If no address is~~  
27 ~~known, then the notice shall be published in a legal newspaper having~~  
28 ~~statewide circulation.~~

29       (b) The published notice shall be entitled Notice to Owners of

1 Abandoned Property and shall contain:

2 (1)(i) (1) The names in alphabetical order and counties of last-  
3 known addresses, if any, of persons listed in the report and entitled to  
4 notice or (ii) a display ad that covers at least twenty-five percent of a  
5 standard broadsheet and includes a description of how to search for  
6 unclaimed property as provided in subsection (a) of this section.

7 (2) A statement that information concerning the amount or  
8 description of the property and the name and address of the holder may be  
9 obtained by any person possessing an interest in the property by  
10 addressing an inquiry to the State Treasurer.

11 (c) The State Treasurer is not required to publish in such notice  
12 any item of less than fifty dollars unless the State Treasurer ~~he or she~~  
13 deems such publication to be in the public interest.

14 (d) Within one hundred twenty days from the receipt of the report  
15 required by section 69-1310, the State Treasurer shall mail a notice to  
16 each person having an address listed therein who appears to be entitled  
17 to property of the value of fifty dollars or more presumed abandoned  
18 under the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act.

19 (e) The mailed notice shall contain:

20 (1) A statement that, according to a report filed with the State  
21 Treasurer, property is being held to which the addressee appears  
22 entitled.

23 (2) The name and address of the person holding the property and any  
24 necessary information regarding changes of name and address of the  
25 holder.

26 (3) A statement that, if satisfactory proof of claim is presented by  
27 the owner to the State Treasurer, arrangements will be made to transfer  
28 the property to the owner as provided by law.

29 (f) This section is not applicable to sums payable on traveler's  
30 checks or money orders presumed abandoned under section 69-1302.

31 **Sec. 12.** Section 77-3903, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

1 2024, is amended to read:

2 77-3903 (1)(a) A notice of lien provided for in the Uniform State  
3 Tax Lien Registration and Enforcement Act upon real property shall be  
4 presented in the office of the Secretary of State. Such notice of lien  
5 shall be transmitted by the Secretary of State to and filed in the office  
6 of the register of deeds by the register of deeds of the county or  
7 counties in which the real property subject to the lien is situated as  
8 designated in the notice of lien. The register of deeds shall enter the  
9 notice in the alphabetical state tax lien index, showing on one line the  
10 name and residence of the person liable named in such notice, the last  
11 four digits of the social security number or the federal tax  
12 identification number of such person, the Tax Commissioner's or  
13 Commissioner of Labor's serial number of such notice, the date and hour  
14 of filing, and the amount due. Such presentments to the Secretary of  
15 State may be made by direct input to the Secretary of State's database or  
16 by other electronic means. All such notices of lien shall be retained in  
17 numerical order in a file designated state tax lien notices, except that  
18 in offices filing by the roll form of microfilm or other accessible  
19 durable medium pursuant to section 23-1517.01, the original notices need  
20 not be retained. A lien subject to this subsection shall be effective  
21 upon real property when filed by the register of deeds as provided in  
22 this subsection.

23 (b) A notice of lien provided for in the Uniform State Tax Lien  
24 Registration and Enforcement Act upon personal property shall be filed in  
25 the office of the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enter  
26 the notice in the state's central tax lien index, showing on one line the  
27 name and residence of the person liable named in such notice, the last  
28 four digits of the social security number or the federal tax  
29 identification number of such person, the Tax Commissioner's or  
30 Commissioner of Labor's serial number of such notice, the date and hour  
31 of filing, and the amount due. Such filings with the Secretary of State

1 may be filed by direct input to the Secretary of State's database or by  
2 other electronic means. All such notices of lien shall be retained in  
3 numerical order in a file designated state tax lien notices.

4 (2) The uniform fee, payable to the Secretary of State, for  
5 presenting for filing, releasing, continuing, or subordinating or for  
6 filing, releasing, continuing, or subordinating each tax lien pursuant to  
7 the Uniform State Tax Lien Registration and Enforcement Act shall be two  
8 times the fee required for recording instruments with the register of  
9 deeds as provided in section 33-109. There shall be no fee for the filing  
10 of a termination statement. The uniform fee for each county more than one  
11 designated pursuant to subdivision (1)(a) of this section shall be the  
12 fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as  
13 provided in section 33-109. The Secretary of State shall remit each fee  
14 received pursuant to this subsection to the State Treasurer for credit to  
15 the Secretary of State Cash Fund, except that of the fees received  
16 pursuant to this subsection, the Secretary of State shall remit the fee  
17 required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided  
18 in section 33-109 to the register of deeds of a county for each  
19 designation of such county in a filing pursuant to subdivision (1)(a) of  
20 this section.

21 (3) The Secretary of State shall bill the Tax Commissioner or  
22 Commissioner of Labor on a monthly basis for fees for documents presented  
23 to or filed with the Secretary of State. No payment of any fee shall be  
24 required at the time of presenting or filing any such lien document.

25 **Sec. 13.** Section 84-1208, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
26 amended to read:

27 84-1208 (1) The administrator may make or cause to be made  
28 preservation duplicates of essential records or may designate as  
29 preservation duplicates existing copies thereof. A preservation duplicate  
30 shall be durable, accurate, complete, and clear and, if made by means of  
31 photography, microphotography, photocopying, film, microfilm, optical

1 imagery, or similar processes using an accessible durable medium, shall  
2 be prepared in conformity to standards prescribed and approved by the  
3 board.

4 (2) A preservation duplicate made by a photographic, photostatic,  
5 microfilm, microcard, miniature photographic, optical imagery, or similar  
6 process which accurately reproduces or forms an accessible a durable  
7 medium for so reproducing the original shall have the same force and  
8 effect for all purposes as the original record, whether the original is  
9 in existence or not. A transcript, exemplification, or certified copy of  
10 such preservation duplicate shall for all purposes be deemed a  
11 transcript, exemplification, or certified copy of the original record.

12 (3) No copy of an essential record shall be used as a preservation  
13 duplicate unless, under the general laws of the state, the copy has the  
14 same force and effect for all purposes as the original record.

15 (4) A medium is accessible if it is able to be retrieved through  
16 intellectual, digital, or physical means within institutional or legal  
17 parameters.

18 **Sec. 14.** Section 84-1411, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025, is  
19 amended to read:

20 84-1411 (1)(a) Except as provided in subsection (9) of this section,  
21 each public body shall give reasonable advance publicized notice of the  
22 time and place of each meeting by a method designated by each public body  
23 and recorded in its minutes as provided in this subsection. Such notice  
24 shall be transmitted to all members of the public body and to the public.

25 (b)(i) Except as provided in subdivision (1)(b)(ii) of this section,  
26 in the case of a public body described in subdivision (1)(a)(i) of  
27 section 84-1409 or such body's advisory committees, ~~such~~ notice shall be  
28 given at least four times each year of the regular meeting schedule, the  
29 location, and the method designated by the public body to provide  
30 reasonable advance publicized notice. Such notice shall be given by  
31 publication in a legal newspaper of general circulation within the public

1 body's jurisdiction. by:

2 (ii) Subdivision (1)(b)(i) of this section shall not apply in the  
3 case of the governing body of a city of the second class or village, any  
4 advisory committee of such governing body, the governing body of a rural  
5 or suburban fire protection district, or any public body that only meets  
6 intermittently and is not required to hold regular meetings.

7 (iii) Failure to comply with subdivision (1)(b)(i) of this section  
8 shall not cause any motion, resolution, rule, regulation, ordinance, or  
9 formal action of a public body made or taken at a meeting of the public  
10 body to be void or voidable.

11 ~~(A)(I) Publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the~~  
12 ~~public body's jurisdiction that is finalized for printing prior to the~~  
13 ~~time and date of the meeting, (II) posting on such newspaper's website,~~  
14 ~~if available, and (III) posting on a statewide website, if available,~~  
15 ~~established and maintained as a repository for such notices by a majority~~  
16 ~~of Nebraska newspapers. Such notice shall be placed in the newspaper and~~  
17 ~~on the websites by the newspaper; or~~

18 ~~(B)(I) Posting to the newspaper's website, if available, and (II)~~  
19 ~~posting to a statewide website, if available, established and maintained~~  
20 ~~as a repository for such notices by a majority of Nebraska newspapers if~~  
21 ~~no edition of a newspaper of general circulation within the public body's~~  
22 ~~jurisdiction is to be finalized for printing prior to the time and date~~  
23 ~~of the meeting. Such notice shall be placed in the newspaper and on the~~  
24 ~~websites by the newspaper.~~

25 ~~(ii) In the case of the governing body of a city of the second class~~  
26 ~~or village, any advisory committee of such governing body, or the~~  
27 ~~governing body of a rural or suburban fire protection district, such~~  
28 ~~notice shall be given by:~~

29 ~~(A)(I) Publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the~~  
30 ~~public body's jurisdiction that is finalized for printing prior to the~~  
31 ~~time and date of the meeting, (II) posting on such newspaper's website,~~

1 ~~if available, and (III) posting on a statewide website, if available,~~  
2 ~~established and maintained as a repository for such notices by a majority~~  
3 ~~of Nebraska newspapers. Such notice shall be placed in the newspaper and~~  
4 ~~on the websites by the newspaper;~~

5 ~~(B)(I) Posting to the newspaper's website, if available, and (II)~~  
6 ~~posting on a statewide website, if available, established and maintained~~  
7 ~~as a repository for such notices by a majority of Nebraska newspapers if~~  
8 ~~no edition of a newspaper of general circulation within the public body's~~  
9 ~~jurisdiction is to be finalized for printing prior to the time and date~~  
10 ~~of the meeting. Such notice shall be placed in the newspaper and on the~~  
11 ~~websites by the newspaper; or~~

12 ~~(C) Posting written notice in three conspicuous public places in~~  
13 ~~such city, village, or district. Such notice shall be posted by the~~  
14 ~~public body in the same three places for each meeting.~~

15 ~~(iii) In the case of a public body not described in subdivision (1)~~  
16 ~~(b)(i) or (ii) of this section, such notice shall be given by a method~~  
17 ~~designated by the public body.~~

18 (c) For a public body that decides to publish notice in a newspaper  
19 of general circulation within the public body's jurisdiction to meet the  
20 notice requirement in subdivision (1)(a) of this section, in (iv) In case  
21 of refusal, neglect, or inability of the newspaper to publish the notice,  
22 the public body shall (i) (A) post such notice on its website, if  
23 available, (ii) (B) request the newspaper submit a post on a statewide  
24 website, if available, established and maintained as a repository for  
25 such notices by a majority of Nebraska newspapers, and (iii) (C) post  
26 such notice in a conspicuous public place in such public body's  
27 jurisdiction. The public body shall keep a written record of such posting  
28 pursuant to subdivision (1)(c)(i) (1)(b)(iv)(A) and (iii) (C) of this  
29 section and a written record of the request to the newspaper pursuant to  
30 subdivision (1)(c)(ii) (1)(b)(iv)(B) of this section. The record of such  
31 posting shall be evidence that such posting was done as required and

1 shall be sufficient to fulfill the requirement of publication.

2 ~~(c) In addition to a method of notice required by subdivision (1)(b)~~  
3 ~~(i) or (ii) of this section, such notice may also be provided by any~~  
4 ~~other appropriate method designated by such public body or such advisory~~  
5 ~~committee.~~

6 (d) Each public body shall record the methods and dates of such  
7 notice in its minutes.

8 (e) Such notice shall contain an agenda of subjects known at the  
9 time of the publicized notice or a statement that the agenda, which shall  
10 be kept continually current, shall be readily available for public  
11 inspection at the principal office of the public body during normal  
12 business hours. Agenda items shall be sufficiently descriptive to give  
13 the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the  
14 meeting. Except for items of an emergency nature, the agenda shall not be  
15 altered later than (i) twenty-four hours before the scheduled  
16 commencement of the meeting or (ii) forty-eight hours before the  
17 scheduled commencement of a meeting of a city council or village board  
18 scheduled outside the corporate limits of the municipality. The public  
19 body shall have the right to modify the agenda to include items of an  
20 emergency nature only at such public meeting.

21 (2)(a) The following entities may hold a meeting by means of virtual  
22 conferencing if the requirements of subdivision (2)(b) of this section  
23 are met:

24 (i) A state agency, state board, state commission, state council, or  
25 state committee, or an advisory committee of any such state entity;

26 (ii) An organization, including the governing body, created under  
27 the Interlocal Cooperation Act, the Joint Public Agency Act, or the  
28 Municipal Cooperative Financing Act;

29 (iii) The governing body of a public power district having a  
30 chartered territory of more than one county in this state;

31 (iv) The governing body of a public power and irrigation district

1 having a chartered territory of more than one county in this state;

2 (v) An educational service unit;

3 (vi) The Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council;

4 (vii) An organization, including the governing body, of a risk  
5 management pool or its advisory committees organized in accordance with  
6 the Intergovernmental Risk Management Act;

7 (viii) A community college board of governors;

8 (ix) The Nebraska Brand Committee;

9 (x) A local public health department;

10 (xi) A metropolitan utilities district;

11 (xii) A regional metropolitan transit authority; and

12 (xiii) A natural resources district.

13 (b) The requirements for holding a meeting by means of virtual  
14 conferencing are as follows:

15 (i) Reasonable advance publicized notice is given as provided in  
16 subsection (1) of this section, including providing access to a dial-in  
17 number or link to the virtual conference;

18 (ii) In addition to the public's right to participate by virtual  
19 conferencing, reasonable arrangements are made to accommodate the  
20 public's right to attend at a physical site and participate as provided  
21 in section 84-1412, including reasonable seating, in at least one  
22 designated site in a building open to the public and identified in the  
23 notice, with: At least one member of the entity holding such meeting, or  
24 his or her designee, present at each site; a recording of the hearing by  
25 audio or visual recording devices; and a reasonable opportunity for  
26 input, such as public comment or questions, is provided to at least the  
27 same extent as would be provided if virtual conferencing was not used;

28 (iii) At least one copy of all documents being considered at the  
29 meeting is available at any physical site open to the public where  
30 individuals may attend the virtual conference. The public body shall also  
31 provide links to an electronic copy of the agenda, all documents being

1 considered at the meeting, and the current version of the Open Meetings  
2 Act; and

3 (iv) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, subsection  
4 (1) of section 70-1014, subsection (2) of section 70-1014.02, or  
5 subsection (4) of section 79-2204, no more than one-half of the meetings  
6 of the state entities, advisory committees, boards, councils,  
7 organizations, or governing bodies are held by virtual conferencing in a  
8 calendar year. In the case of (A) an organization created under the  
9 Interlocal Cooperation Act that sells electricity or natural gas, (B) an  
10 organization created under the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act, (C) a  
11 governing body of a risk management pool and any advisory committee of  
12 such governing body, ~~or~~ (D) any advisory committee of any state entity  
13 created in response to the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Act, (E) the  
14 Semiquincentennial Commission, (F) the board of trustees of the Nebraska  
15 State Historical Society, or (G) any local foster care review board, such  
16 organization, governing body, or committee may hold more than one-half of  
17 its meetings by virtual conferencing if such organization holds at least  
18 one meeting each calendar year that is not by virtual conferencing.

19 (3) Virtual conferencing, emails, faxes, or other electronic  
20 communication shall not be used to circumvent any of the public  
21 government purposes established in the Open Meetings Act.

22 (4) The secretary or other designee of each public body shall  
23 maintain a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and  
24 shall make reasonable efforts to provide advance notification to them of  
25 the time and place of each meeting and the subjects to be discussed at  
26 that meeting.

27 (5) When it is necessary to hold an emergency meeting without  
28 reasonable advance public notice, the nature of the emergency shall be  
29 stated in the minutes and any formal action taken in such meeting shall  
30 pertain only to the emergency. Such emergency meetings may be held by  
31 virtual conferencing. The provisions of subsection (4) of this section

1 shall be complied with in conducting emergency meetings. Complete minutes  
2 of such emergency meetings specifying the nature of the emergency and any  
3 formal action taken at the meeting shall be made available to the public  
4 by no later than the end of the next regular business day.

5 (6) A public body may allow a member of the public or any other  
6 witness to appear before the public body by means of virtual  
7 conferencing.

8 (7)(a) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (5) of this section, if  
9 an emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to the Emergency  
10 Management Act as defined in section 81-829.39, a public body the  
11 territorial jurisdiction of which is included in the emergency  
12 declaration, in whole or in part, may hold a meeting by virtual  
13 conferencing during such emergency if the public body gives reasonable  
14 advance publicized notice as described in subsection (1) of this section.  
15 The notice shall include information regarding access for the public and  
16 news media. In addition to any formal action taken pertaining to the  
17 emergency, the public body may hold such meeting for the purpose of  
18 briefing, discussion of public business, formation of tentative policy,  
19 or the taking of any action by the public body.

20 (b) The public body shall provide access by providing a dial-in  
21 number or a link to the virtual conference. The public body shall also  
22 provide links to an electronic copy of the agenda, all documents being  
23 considered at the meeting, and the current version of the Open Meetings  
24 Act. Reasonable arrangements shall be made to accommodate the public's  
25 right to hear and speak at the meeting and record the meeting. Subsection  
26 (4) of this section shall be complied with in conducting such meetings.

27 (c) The nature of the emergency shall be stated in the minutes.  
28 Complete minutes of such meeting specifying the nature of the emergency  
29 and any formal action taken at the meeting shall be made available for  
30 inspection as provided in subsection (5) of section 84-1413.

31 (8) In addition to any other statutory authorization for virtual

1 conferencing, any public body not listed in subdivision (2)(a) of this  
2 section may hold a meeting by virtual conferencing if:

3 (a) The purpose of the virtual meeting is to discuss items that are  
4 scheduled to be discussed or acted upon at a subsequent non-virtual open  
5 meeting of the public body;

6 (b) No action is taken by the public body at the virtual meeting;  
7 and

8 (c) The public body complies with subdivisions (2)(b)(i) and (ii) of  
9 this section.

10 (9) This section does not apply to a meeting of the Nebraska Power  
11 Review Board or a public power district, a public power and irrigation  
12 district, an electric membership association, an electric cooperative  
13 company, a municipality having a generation and distribution system, or a  
14 registered group of municipalities if such meeting is subject to section  
15 70-1034.

16 **Sec. 15.** Section 84-1412, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
17 amended to read:

18 84-1412 (1) Subject to the Open Meetings Act, the public has the  
19 right to attend and the right to speak at meetings of public bodies, and  
20 all or any part of a meeting of a public body, except for closed sessions  
21 called pursuant to section 84-1410, may be videotaped, televised,  
22 photographed, broadcast, or recorded by any person in attendance by means  
23 of a tape recorder, a camera, video equipment, or any other means of  
24 pictorial or sonic reproduction or in writing. Except for closed sessions  
25 called pursuant to section 84-1410, a public body shall allow members of  
26 the public an opportunity to speak at each meeting.

27 (2) It shall not be a violation of subsection (1) of this section  
28 for any public body to make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations  
29 regarding the conduct of persons attending, speaking at, videotaping,  
30 televising, photographing, broadcasting, or recording its meetings,  
31 including meetings held by virtual conferencing.

1 (3) No public body shall require members of the public to identify  
2 themselves as a condition for admission to the meeting nor shall such  
3 body require that the name of any member of the public be placed on the  
4 agenda prior to such meeting in order to speak about items on the agenda.  
5 The body shall require any member of the public desiring to address the  
6 body to identify himself or herself, including an address and the name of  
7 any organization represented by such person unless the address  
8 requirement is waived to protect the security of the individual.

9 (4) No public body shall, for the purpose of circumventing the Open  
10 Meetings Act, hold a meeting in a place known by the body to be too small  
11 to accommodate the anticipated audience.

12 (5) No public body shall be deemed in violation of this section if  
13 it holds its meeting in its traditional meeting place which is located in  
14 this state.

15 (6) No public body shall be deemed in violation of this section if  
16 it holds a meeting outside of this state if, but only if:

17 (a) A member entity of the public body is located outside of this  
18 state and the meeting is in that member's jurisdiction;

19 (b) All out-of-state locations identified in the notice are located  
20 within public buildings used by members of the entity or at a place which  
21 will accommodate the anticipated audience;

22 (c) Reasonable arrangements are made to accommodate the public's  
23 right to attend, hear, and speak at the meeting, including making virtual  
24 conferencing available at an instate location to members, the public, or  
25 the press, if requested twenty-four hours in advance;

26 (d) No more than twenty-five percent of the public body's meetings  
27 in a calendar year are held out-of-state;

28 (e) Out-of-state meetings are not used to circumvent any of the  
29 public government purposes established in the Open Meetings Act; and

30 (f) The public body publishes notice of the out-of-state meeting at  
31 least twenty-one days before the date of the meeting in a legal newspaper

1 of statewide circulation.

2 (7) Each public body shall, upon request, make a reasonable effort  
3 to accommodate the public's right to hear the discussion and testimony  
4 presented at a meeting.

5 (8) Public bodies shall make available at the meeting or the instate  
6 location for virtual conferencing as required by subdivision (6)(c) of  
7 this section, for examination and copying by members of the public, at  
8 least one copy of all reproducible written material to be discussed at an  
9 open meeting, either in paper or electronic form. Public bodies shall  
10 make available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act ~~posted~~  
11 in the meeting room at a location accessible to members of the public. At  
12 the beginning of the meeting, the public shall be informed about the  
13 location of the ~~posted~~ information.

14 **Sec. 16.** Original sections 23-346.01, 23-1303, 23-1309, 23-1517.01,  
15 23-1527, 25-523, 33-110, 84-1208, and 84-1412, Reissue Revised Statutes  
16 of Nebraska, sections 25-21,271, 25-2228, 33-141, and 77-3903, Revised  
17 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 84-1411, Revised  
18 Statutes Supplement, 2025, are repealed.

19 **Sec. 17.** The following sections are outright repealed: Sections  
20 19-1104 and 23-1313, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

21 2. On page 1, strike beginning with "legal" in line 1 through line 4  
22 and insert "government; to amend sections 23-346.01, 23-1303, 23-1309,  
23 23-1517.01, 23-1527, 25-523, 33-110, 84-1208, and 84-1412, Reissue  
24 Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 25-2228, 25-21,271, 33-141, and  
25 77-3903, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and sections  
26 69-1311 and 84-1411, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2025; to change  
27 provisions relating to county inventories, warrants, and discharge  
28 records; to provide for storing records on an accessible durable medium;  
29 to define terms; to change provisions relating to the publication of  
30 legal newspapers, legal notices, petitions to change names, marriage  
31 license and record fees, reports of abandoned property, and virtual

1 conferencing and notice requirements for meetings of public bodies under  
2 the Open Meetings Act; to eliminate a penalty for certain public  
3 officials; to eliminate provisions relating to the registration of farm,  
4 ranch, or home names; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original  
5 sections; and to outright repeal sections 19-1104 and 23-1313, Reissue  
6 Revised Statutes of Nebraska."