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Committee:

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public records; to amend sections
2 23-1517.01, 23-1527, and 84-1208, Reissue Revised Statutes of
3 Nebraska, and section 77-3903, Revised Statutes Cumulative
4 Supplement, 2024; to allow for the use of durable accessible mediums
5 as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.
6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 **Section 1.** Section 23-1517.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
2 is amended to read:

3 23-1517.01 (1) The recording of all instruments by the roll form of
4 microfilm or other accessible durable medium may be substituted for the
5 method of recording instruments in books, and the filing of all documents
6 by the roll form of microfilm or other accessible durable medium may be
7 substituted for the method of filing original documents. If this method
8 of recording instruments ~~on microfilm~~ or filing documents ~~on microfilm~~ is
9 used, the original instruments so recorded and the original documents so
10 filed need not be retained after the microfilm or other accessible
11 durable medium has been verified for accuracy and quality, and a security
12 copy ~~shall on silver negative microfilm in roll form must~~ be maintained
13 and filed off premises under safe conditions to insure the protection of
14 the records and shall meet the microfilm standards as prescribed by the
15 State Records Administrator as provided in sections 84-1201 to 84-1220.
16 The fee books shall provide the proper index information as to the
17 microfilm roll and numerical sequence of all such recorded instruments
18 and of all such filed documents. The internal reference copies or work
19 copies of the instruments recorded on microfilm and of documents filed on
20 microfilm may be in any photographic form to provide the necessary
21 information as may be determined by the official in charge.

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

25 **Sec. 2.** Section 23-1527, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
26 amended to read:

27 23-1527 A certified copy of a petition, with schedules omitted,
28 commencing a proceeding under the laws of the United States relating to
29 bankruptcy or a certified copy of the decree of adjudication or a
30 certified copy of an order approving the bond of the trustee appointed in
31 such proceedings shall be filed, indexed, and recorded in the office of

1 the register of deeds of the county in which is located real property in
2 which the bankrupt has an interest in the same manner as federal liens
3 are filed, indexed, and recorded pursuant to the Uniform Federal Lien
4 Registration Act. The filing fee for such recording shall be the same as
5 the fee for filing and recording as set forth in section 9-525, Uniform
6 Commercial Code. The register of deeds shall file the notices in a file
7 kept for such purpose and designated Notice of Bankruptcy Proceedings,
8 except that in offices filing by the roll form of microfilm or other
9 accessible durable medium pursuant to section 23-1517.01, the original
10 notices need not be retained.

11 **Sec. 3.** Section 77-3903, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
12 2024, is amended to read:

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

1 upon real property when filed by the register of deeds as provided in
2 this subsection.

3 (b) A notice of lien provided for in the Uniform State Tax Lien
4 Registration and Enforcement Act upon personal property shall be filed in
5 the office of the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enter
6 the notice in the state's central tax lien index, showing on one line the
7 name and residence of the person liable named in such notice, the last
8 four digits of the social security number or the federal tax
9 identification number of such person, the Tax Commissioner's or
10 Commissioner of Labor's serial number of such notice, the date and hour
11 of filing, and the amount due. Such filings with the Secretary of State
12 may be filed by direct input to the Secretary of State's database or by
13 other electronic means. All such notices of lien shall be retained in
14 numerical order in a file designated state tax lien notices.

15 (2) The uniform fee, payable to the Secretary of State, for
16 presenting for filing, releasing, continuing, or subordinating or for
17 filing, releasing, continuing, or subordinating each tax lien pursuant to
18 the Uniform State Tax Lien Registration and Enforcement Act shall be two
19 times the fee required for recording instruments with the register of
20 deeds as provided in section 33-109. There shall be no fee for the filing
21 of a termination statement. The uniform fee for each county more than one
22 designated pursuant to subdivision (1)(a) of this section shall be the
23 fee required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as
24 provided in section 33-109. The Secretary of State shall remit each fee
25 received pursuant to this subsection to the State Treasurer for credit to
26 the Secretary of State Cash Fund, except that of the fees received
27 pursuant to this subsection, the Secretary of State shall remit the fee
28 required for recording instruments with the register of deeds as provided
29 in section 33-109 to the register of deeds of a county for each
30 designation of such county in a filing pursuant to subdivision (1)(a) of
31 this section.

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

5 **Sec. 4.** Section 84-1208, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
6 amended to read:

7 84-1208 (1) The administrator may make or cause to be made
8 preservation duplicates of essential records or may designate as
9 preservation duplicates existing copies thereof. A preservation duplicate
10 shall be durable, accurate, complete, and clear and, if made by means of
11 photography, microphotography, photocopying, film, microfilm, optical
12 imagery, or similar processes using a durable accessible medium, shall be
13 prepared in conformity to standards prescribed and approved by the board.

14 (2) A preservation duplicate made by a photographic, photostatic,
15 microfilm, microcard, miniature photographic, optical imagery, or similar
16 process which accurately reproduces or forms a durable accessible medium
17 for so reproducing the original shall have the same force and effect for
18 all purposes as the original record, whether the original is in existence
19 or not. A transcript, exemplification, or certified copy of such
20 preservation duplicate shall for all purposes be deemed a transcript,
21 exemplification, or certified copy of the original record.

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

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

28 **Sec. 5.** Original sections 23-1517.01, 23-1527, and 84-1208, Reissue
29 Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 77-3903, Revised Statutes
30 Cumulative Supplement, 2024, are repealed.