

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 172**

Introduced by McKinney, 11.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine the accessibility of Nebraska's unicameral legislative process to the general public to determine to what extent systematic and logistical barriers impact such accessibility. The barriers to be evaluated include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Lack of transportation;
- (2) Unfamiliarity with the legislative process;
- (3) Inability to secure paid leave from employment;
- (4) Lack of accessible child care during committee hearings; and
- (5) Technological obstacles in accessing or participating virtually in committee hearings.

The study will also identify policy and procedural solutions to increase equitable access to the legislative process for all Nebraskans.

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

1. That the Executive Board of the Legislative Council shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the board shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.