

SEVENTY-FIRST DAY - APRIL 30, 2025

LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

**ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION**

SEVENTY-FIRST DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Wednesday, April 30, 2025

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Pastor Jeff Baker, New Life Church, Kearney.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Brandt.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., Speaker Arch presiding.

The roll was called and all members were Senators Guereca and Hansen who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the seventieth day was approved.

RESOLUTION(S)

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LRs 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, and 137 were adopted.

SPEAKER SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the Speaker signed the following: LRs 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, and 137.

BILL ON FINAL READING**Dispense With Reading at Large**

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB650 with 43 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 650. With Emergency Clause.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 18-3417, 60-3,185, 77-202.23, 77-202.24, 77-1804, 77-1806, 77-1815, 77-1816, 77-1819, 77-1823, 77-1825, 77-1829, 77-1836, 77-1856, 77-1902, 77-1909, and 81-1201.12, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 77-908, 77-1632, 77-1633, 77-1802, 77-1807, 77-1818, 77-1831, 77-1832, 77-1833, 77-1837, 77-1838, 77-2701.16, 77-2703, 77-2706.02, 77-2708, 77-2711, 77-2715.07, 77-2734.03, 77-27,187.02, 77-27,188, 77-27,241, 77-3110, 77-3120, 77-3126, 77-3136, 77-3169, 77-3806, 77-4602, 77-6605, 77-6919, 77-7012, 77-7304, and 77-7305, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Community Development Assistance Act; to change provisions relating to land banks; to change a motor vehicle tax exemption and a property tax exemption relating to certain disabled veterans; to change provisions relating to community colleges; to change provisions relating to real property sold for delinquent taxes and certain tax-related foreclosure actions; to change provisions relating to a sales tax exemption for the lease or use of certain towers; to change sales tax collection fees; to change provisions relating to purchasing agents; to provide for an audit by the Auditor of Public Accounts for suspected tax reporting irregularities or discrepancies; to create an exception to the disclosure of confidential tax information by municipalities; to change provisions relating to the Nebraska Advantage Rural Development Act, a food donation tax credit, the Relocation Incentive Act, the Creating High Impact Economic Futures Act, the Cast and Crew Nebraska Act, the Nebraska Shortline Rail Modernization Act, the Reverse Osmosis System Tax Credit Act, certain transfers of General Fund net receipts, the Renewable Chemical Production Tax Credit Act, the Urban Redevelopment Act, the Nebraska Biodiesel Tax Credit Act, and the School District Property Tax Relief Act; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass with the emergency clause attached?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 40:

Andersen	DeBoer	Holdcroft	McKeon	Rountree
Arch	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer	Sanders
Armendariz	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Sorrentino
Ballard	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Storer
Bosn	Dungan	Juarez	Prokop	Storm
Bostar	Fredrickson	Kauth	Quick	Strommen
Brandt	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Raybould	von Gillern
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Riepe	Wordekemper

Voting in the negative, 7:

Cavanaugh, J.	Clouse	Hunt	Spivey*
Cavanaugh, M.	Conrad	McKinney	

Excused and not voting, 2:

Guereca	Hansen
---------	--------

* Senator was Present not Voting at the time of the recorded vote (Rule 6, Sec. 9).

A constitutional two-thirds majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed with the emergency clause and the title agreed to.

WITHDRAW - Amendment to LB645

Senator Conrad withdrew [AM1194](#), found on page 1242.

MOTION(S) - Return LB645 to Select File

Senator Ballard moved to return LB645 to Select File for the following specific amendment:

[FA161](#)

Strike Section 1.

Senator Ballard withdrew his motion.

The Ballard amendment, FA161, was not considered.

BILLS ON FINAL READING

Dispense With Reading at Large

Pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 8, the Legislature approved the dispensing of the reading at large of LB645 with 42 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The following bill was put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 645. With Emergency Clause.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to retirement; to amend sections 79-916, 79-958, 79-966, and 81-2026, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions and state legislative intent relating to retirement systems for Class V school districts; to change employee and state contributions to the School Retirement Fund; to change provisions of the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System relating to benefits provided upon the death of an officer as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass with the emergency clause attached?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 45:

Andersen	Clouse	Hardin	Lonowski	Riepe
Arch	Conrad	Holdcroft	McKeon	Rountree
Armendariz	DeBoer	Hughes	McKinney	Sanders
Ballard	DeKay	Hunt	Meyer	Sorrentino
Bosn	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Storer
Bostar	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Storm
Brandt	Dungan	Juarez	Prokop	Strommen
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Kauth	Quick	von Gillern
Clements	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Raybould	Wordekemper

Voting in the negative, 2:

Cavanaugh, M.* Spivey*

Excused and not voting, 2:

Guereca Hansen

* Senator was Present not Voting at the time of the recorded vote (Rule 6, Sec. 9).

A constitutional two-thirds majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed with the emergency clause and the title agreed to.

The following bill was read and put upon final passage:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 645A. With Emergency Clause.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 645, One Hundred Ninth Legislature, First Session, 2025; and to declare an emergency.

Whereupon the President stated: "All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, 'Shall the bill pass with the emergency clause attached?' "

Voting in the affirmative, 47:

Andersen	Clouse	Holdcroft	McKinney	Sorrentino
Arch	Conrad	Hughes	Meyer	Spivey
Armendariz	DeBoer	Hunt	Moser	Storer
Ballard	DeKay	Ibach	Murman	Storm
Bosn	Dorn	Jacobson	Prokop	Strommen
Bostar	Dover	Juarez	Quick	von Gillern
Brandt	Dungan	Kauth	Raybould	Wordekemper
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Lippincott	Riepe	
Cavanaugh, M.	Hallstrom	Lonowski	Rountree	
Clements	Hardin	McKeon	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Excused and not voting, 2:

Guereca Hansen

A constitutional two-thirds majority having voted in the affirmative, the bill was declared passed with the emergency clause and the title agreed to.

SPEAKER SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the Speaker signed the following: LBs 650e, 645e, and 645Ae.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 258. Senator Conrad offered [MO146](#), found on page 956, to bracket until June 9, 2025.

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

Senator Raybould moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 26 ayes, 0 nays, and 23 not voting.

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

Voting in the affirmative, 33:

Andersen	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer	Storer
Armendariz	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Storm
Ballard	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Brandt	Hansen	Lippincott	Riepe	Wordekemper
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	
Clouse	Holdcroft	McKeon	Sorrentino	

Voting in the negative, 13:

Bostar	Conrad	Hunt	Prokop	Spivey
Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	Juarez	Quick	
Cavanaugh, M.	Dungan	McKinney	Rountree	

Present and not voting, 2:

Arch	Fredrickson
------	-------------

Excused and not voting, 1:

Guereca

The Ballard motion to cease debate prevailed with 33 ayes, 13 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

Senator M. Cavanaugh requested a roll call vote on the motion to bracket:

Voting in the affirmative, 11:

Bostar	Dungan	McKinney	Rountree
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Prokop	Spivey
DeBoer	Juarez	Quick	

Voting in the negative, 33:

Andersen	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer	Storer
Armendariz	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Storm
Ballard	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Brandt	Hansen	Lippincott	Riepe	Wordekemper
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	
Clouse	Holdcroft	McKeon	Sorrentino	

Present and not voting, 4:

Arch	Cavanaugh, M.	Conrad	Hunt
------	---------------	--------	------

Excused and not voting, 1:

Guereca

The Conrad motion to bracket failed with 11 ayes, 33 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator Conrad offered the following motion:

[MO217](#)

Reconsider the vote taken on MO146.

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

Senator Raybould moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 24 ayes, 1 nay, and 24 not voting.

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

Voting in the affirmative, 32:

Andersen	DeKay	Hughes	Moser	Storm
Armendariz	Dorn	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Ballard	Dover	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Bosn	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Riepe	Wordekemper
Brandt	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders	
Clements	Hardin	McKeon	Sorrentino	
Clouse	Holdcroft	Meyer	Storer	

Voting in the negative, 13:

Bostar	Conrad	Fredrickson	Prokop	Spivey
Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	Juarez	Quick	
Cavanaugh, M.	Dungan	McKinney	Rountree	

Present and not voting, 1:

Arch

Absent and not voting, 2:

Hunt	Ibach
------	-------

Excused and not voting, 1:

Guereca

The Jacobson motion to cease debate prevailed with 32 ayes, 13 nays, 1 present and not voting, 2 absent and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

Senator M. Cavanaugh requested a roll call vote on the motion to reconsider:

Voting in the affirmative, 14:

Bostar	Conrad	Fredrickson	McKinney	Rountree
Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	Hunt	Prokop	Spivey
Cavanaugh, M.	Dungan	Juarez	Quick	

Voting in the negative, 32:

Andersen	DeKay	Hughes	Moser	Storm
Armendariz	Dorn	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Ballard	Dover	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Bosn	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Riepe	Wordekemper
Brandt	Hansen	Lonowski	Sanders	
Clements	Hardin	McKeon	Sorrentino	
Clouse	Holdcroft	Meyer	Storer	

Present and not voting, 1:

Arch

Absent and not voting, 1:

Ibach

Excused and not voting, 1:

Guereca

The Conrad motion to reconsider failed with 14 ayes, 32 nays, 1 present and not voting, 1 absent and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator Conrad offered [MO147](#), found on page 956, to recommit to the Business and Labor Committee.

Pending.

COMMUNICATION(S)

Received a copy of Senate Joint Resolution 12 from the state of Utah relating to calling on the President of the United States to issue an executive order on federalism.

PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR

Presented to the Governor on April 30, 2025, at 9:40 a.m. were the following: LBs 650e, 645e, and 645Ae.

(Signed) Mataya Douty
Clerk of the Legislature's Office

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Brandt filed the following amendment to LB561:
AM1209

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM316)

1 1. On page 9, strike lines 26 through 30 and insert the following
2 new subdivision:
3 "(d) The opportunity and need for overweight raw-milk vehicle
4 permits to operate overweight raw-milk vehicles to carry only raw milk
5 from a dairy farm to a milk processing facility for such raw milk is
6 needed due to 23 U.S.C. 127(a)(13), as such section existed on January 1,
7 2025, concerning the carrying of fluid milk products."

Senator Meyer filed the following amendment to LB261:
AM1246 is available in the Bill Room.

Senator Meyer filed the following amendment to LB264:
AM1247

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM835)

1 1. Insert the following new section:
2 Sec. 106. Section 68-996, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
3 2024, is amended to read:
4 68-996 (1) The Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund is created.
5 The fund shall contain money returned to the State Treasurer pursuant to
6 subdivision (3) of section 68-995.
7 (2) The fund shall first be used to offset any losses under
8 subdivision (2) of section 68-995 and then to provide for (a) services
9 addressing the health needs of adults and children under the Medical
10 Assistance Act, including filling service gaps, (b) providing system
11 improvements, (c) providing evidence-based early intervention home
12 visitation programs, (d) providing medical respite services, (e)
13 translation and interpretation services, (f) providing coverage for
14 continuous glucose monitors as described in section 68-911, (g) providing
15 other services sustaining access to care, (h) services under the Nebraska
16 Prenatal Plus Program, (i) and providing grants pursuant to the
17 Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Grant Program, and (j)
18 reimbursement of the actual costs of providing eligible activities and
19 services described in section 81-2222, as determined by the Legislature.
20 The fund shall only be used for the purposes described in this section.
21 (3) Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested
22 by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital

23 Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act. Beginning
24 October 1, 2024, any investment earnings from investment of money in the
25 fund shall be credited to the General Fund.
26 2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct internal references
1 accordingly.
2 3. Correct the operative date and repealer sections so that the
3 section added by this amendment becomes operative on its effective date
4 with the emergency clause.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were Pastor Jeff and Kim Baker, Kearney; LaVon Clouse, Kearney; students from Yutan Elementary, Yutan; students from Stolley Park Elementary, Grand Island; students from Prairie Queen Elementary, Papillion/La Vista; students, teacher, and sponsors from St. Patrick Elementary, McCook.

RECESS

At 12:00 p.m., on a motion by Senator von Gillern, the Legislature recessed until 1:00 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Legislature reconvened at 1:00 p.m., Speaker Arch presiding.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Andersen, Bosn, Dorn, Hansen, and McKinney who were excused until they arrive.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 275. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 676. Placed on Select File with amendment.

[ER60](#)

1 1. On page 3, line 3, strike the new matter and reinstate the
2 stricken matter.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 90. Placed on Select File.

(Signed) Dunixi Guereca, Chairperson

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Raybould filed the following amendment to [LB169](#):
[AM1231](#) is available in the Bill Room.

Senator Raybould filed the following amendment to [LB170](#):
[AM1232](#) is available in the Bill Room.

Senator Raybould filed the following amendment to [LB264](#):
[AM1245](#)

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM835)

- 1 1. Insert the following new section:
- 2 Sec. 71. The State Treasurer shall transfer \$500,000,000 from the
- 3 Perkins County Canal Project Fund to the General Fund on or after July 1,
- 4 2025, but before December 21, 2025, on such dates and in such amounts as
- 5 directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the
- 6 Department of Administrative Services.
- 7 2. On page 34, line 4, after the period insert "Transfers may be
- 8 made from the fund to the General Fund at the direction of the
- 9 Legislature."
- 10 3. Renumber the remaining sections and correct internal references
- 11 accordingly.
- 12 4. Correct the operative date section so that the section added by
- 13 this amendment becomes operative on its effective date with the emergency
- 14 clause.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

Donley, Michael - Public Employees Retirement Board - Nebraska
Retirement Systems
Muetting, Lorelle - Nebraska Medical Cannabis Commission - General
Affairs
Oldenburg, Monica - Nebraska Medical Cannabis Commission - General
Affairs

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
Executive Board

SPEAKER'S MAJOR PROPOSALS

April 30, 2025

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. Metzler:

Please be advised that pursuant to Rule 1, Section 17, the Executive Board has approved Speaker Arch's request that LB264 and LB261 be designated as a 2025 Speaker's Major Proposal.

Respectfully,
(Signed) Senator Ben Hansen
Chair, Executive Board

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 258. Senator Conrad renewed [MO147](#), found on page 956, and considered in this day's Journal, to recommit to the Business and Labor Committee.

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

Senator Hunt moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 28 ayes, 1 nay, and 20 not voting.

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

Voting in the affirmative, 31:

Andersen	DeKay	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Armendariz	Dover	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Ballard	Hallstrom	Lippincott	Riepe	Wordekemper
Bosn	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	
Brandt	Holdcroft	McKeon	Sorrentino	
Clements	Hughes	Meyer	Storer	
Clouse	Ibach	Moser	Storm	

Voting in the negative, 13:

Bostar	Conrad	Guereca	Prokop	Spivey
Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	Hunt	Quick	
Cavanaugh, M.	Dungan	Juarez	Rountree	

Present and not voting, 2:

Arch	Fredrickson
------	-------------

Excused and not voting, 3:

Dorn	Hansen	McKinney
------	--------	----------

The Hughes motion to cease debate prevailed with 31 ayes, 13 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Senator M. Cavanaugh requested a roll call vote on the motion to recommit to committee.

Voting in the affirmative, 12:

Bostar	Dungan	Hunt	Quick
Cavanaugh, J.	Fredrickson	Juarez	Rountree
DeBoer	Guereca	Prokop	Spivey

Voting in the negative, 33:

Andersen	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer	Storer
Armendariz	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Storm
Ballard	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Brandt	Hansen	Lippincott	Riepe	Wordekemper
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	
Clouse	Holdcroft	McKeon	Sorrentino	

Present and not voting, 3:

Arch	Cavanaugh, M.	Conrad
------	---------------	--------

Excused and not voting, 1:

McKinney

The Conrad motion to recommit to committee failed with 12 ayes, 33 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator Conrad offered the following motion:

[MO218](#)

Reconsider the vote taken on MO147.

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

Senator Guereca moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 27 ayes, 1 nay, and 21 not voting.

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

Voting in the affirmative, 33:

Andersen	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer	Storer
Armendariz	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Storm
Ballard	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Brandt	Hansen	Lippincott	Riepe	Wordekemper
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	
Clouse	Holdcroft	McKeon	Sorrentino	

Voting in the negative, 15:

Bostar	Conrad	Fredrickson	Juarez	Quick
Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	Guereca	McKinney	Rountree
Cavanaugh, M.	Dungan	Hunt	Prokop	Spivey

Present and not voting, 1:

Arch

The Hansen motion to cease debate prevailed with 33 ayes, 15 nays, and 1 present and not voting.

The Conrad motion to reconsider failed with 14 ayes, 33 nays, and 2 present and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator Raybould asked unanimous consent to withdraw [AM880](#), found on page 955, and replace it with substitute amendment, [AM1254](#).

[AM1254](#)

1 1. On page 2, strike beginning with "the" in line 17 through "cents"
 2 in line 25, show the old matter as stricken, and insert "one and three-
 3 quarters percent".

Senator Dungan objected.

Senator Raybould offered the following motion:

[MO221](#)

Withdraw AM880 and substitute AM1254

Senator Raybould offered the following motion:

[MO222](#)

Invoke cloture pursuant to Rule 7, Sec. 10.

Senator Raybould moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 30 ayes, 1 nay, and 18 not voting.

Senator Raybould requested a roll call vote on the motion to invoke cloture.

Voting in the affirmative, 33:

Andersen	Clouse	Holdcroft	McKeon	Sorrentino
Arch	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer	Storer
Armendariz	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Storm
Ballard	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Brandt	Hansen	Lippincott	Riepe	
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 16:

Bostar	DeBoer	Hunt	Quick
Cavanaugh, J.	Dungan	Juarez	Rountree
Cavanaugh, M.	Fredrickson	McKinney	Spivey
Conrad	Guereca	Prokop	Wordekemper

The Raybould motion to invoke cloture prevailed with 33 ayes, 16 nays, and 0 not voting.

The Raybould motion to withdraw and substitute prevailed with 34 ayes, 11 nays, and 4 present and not voting.

The Raybould amendment was adopted with 33 ayes, 12 nays, and 4 present and not voting.

Senator M. Cavanaugh requested a record vote on the advancement of the bill.

Voting in the affirmative, 33:

Andersen	Clouse	Holdcroft	McKeon	Sorrentino
Arch	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer	Storer
Armendariz	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Storm
Ballard	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	Strommen
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Raybould	von Gillern
Brandt	Hansen	Lippincott	Riepe	
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sanders	

Voting in the negative, 16:

Bostar	DeBoer	Hunt	Quick
Cavanaugh, J.	Dungan	Juarez	Rountree
Cavanaugh, M.	Fredrickson	McKinney	Spivey
Conrad	Guereca	Prokop	Wordekemper

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment with 33 ayes, 16 nays, and 0 not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 380. [ER39](#), found on page 1013, was offered.

ER39 was adopted.

Senator Fredrickson withdrew [AM1034](#), found on page 1101.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 319. Senator M. Cavanaugh offered the following motion:

[MO220](#)

Bracket until June 9, 2025.

Senator M. Cavanaugh asked unanimous consent to withdraw her motion.

No objections. So ordered.

Senator M. Cavanaugh offered the following motion:

[MO223](#)

Recommit to the Health and Human Services Committee.

Senator M. Cavanaugh asked unanimous consent to withdraw her motion.

No objections. So ordered.

Senator Rountree withdrew [FA71](#), found on page 910.

Senator Rountree withdrew [FA124](#), found on page 1187.

Senator Rountree withdrew [FA125](#), found on page 1187.

Senator Rountree offered [AM1176](#), found on page 1255.

Senator Rountree moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 32 ayes, 1 nay, and 16 not voting.

The Rountree amendment was adopted with 32 ayes, 14 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

Senator Ballard requested a machine vote on the advancement of the bill.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment with 31 ayes, 14 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 383. [ER53](#), found on page 1160, was offered.

ER53 was adopted.

Senator Storer offered [AM1180](#), found on page 1216.

The Storer amendment was adopted with 33 ayes, 0 nays, and 16 present and not voting.

Senator Storer withdrew [FA133](#), found on page 1212.

Senator McKinney offered the following amendment:
[AM1115](#)

(Amendments to E&R amendments, ER53)

- 1 1. Strike sections 26 to 30 and insert the following new sections:
- 2 Sec. 26. Sections 26 to 30 of this act shall be known and may be
- 3 cited as the Parental Rights in Social Media Act.
- 4 Sec. 27. For purposes of the Parental Rights in Social Media Act:
- 5 (1) Content harmful to minors means content that is obscene as to
- 6 minors as described in section 28-808 or harmful to minors as defined in
- 7 section 28-807;
- 8 (2) Minor means an individual under eighteen years of age who is not
- 9 an emancipated minor; and
- 10 (3) Social media platform means an online service or application
- 11 that enables account holders to post and share content with other users.
- 12 Social media platform does not include services focused on professional
- 13 networking, cloud storage, customer product reviews, and peer-to-peer
- 14 payment platforms.
- 15 Sec. 28. (1) A social media platform operating in this state shall:
- 16 (a) Provide optional parental supervision tools that can be
- 17 activated with verified parental consent;
- 18 (b) Provide clear privacy settings allowing parents and minors to
- 19 manage account visibility, time-limit tools, and content filtering;
- 20 (c) Provide a clear and revocable authorization process for a minor
- 21 to allow parental account access; and
- 22 (d) Offer educational materials and digital literacy resources aimed
- 23 at minors and parents about online safety, data privacy, and digital
- 24 wellness.
- 25 (2) A social media platform operating in this state shall not:
- 26 (a) Retain identifying information collected during any age
- 1 verification process beyond the time required to confirm access to
- 2 parental tools; and
- 3 (b) Mandate account access for parents of a minor account holder of
- 4 the social media platform unless explicitly authorized by the minor
- 5 through a clear and revocable authorization process created by the social
- 6 media platform.
- 7 Sec. 29. A social media platform operating in this state shall
- 8 implement optional content filtering systems that can be enabled by
- 9 account holders using the social media platform or parents of minor
- 10 account holders to filter content reasonably deemed to be content harmful
- 11 to minors. Such filtering system shall:
- 12 (1) Be clearly disclosed;
- 13 (2) Allow account holders of the social media platform to opt out of
- 14 the filtering system once the account holder reaches sixteen years of age
- 15 or becomes an emancipated minor; and
- 16 (3) Not prevent access to constitutionally protected speech unless
- 17 such access restriction is narrowly tailored to achieve the compelling
- 18 government interest of protecting minors.
- 19 Sec. 30. (1) The Attorney General may investigate violations of

20 sections 28 and 29 of this act relating to:
 21 (a) Failure of a social media platform to provide required tools or
 22 disclosures; or
 23 (b) Retention by the social media platform of identifying
 24 information after age verification.
 25 (2) A person or social media platform that violates the Parental
 26 Rights in Social Media Act is liable for a civil penalty in an amount not
 27 to exceed five hundred dollars for each violation, unless such violation
 28 is the result of willful and repeated conduct.
 29 (3) The Attorney General may bring an action in the name of the
 30 State of Nebraska to:
 31 (a) Recover a civil penalty under this section; and
 1 (b) Seek injunctive relief.
 2 (4) All civil penalties collected under this section shall be
 3 remitted to the State Treasurer for distribution in accordance with
 4 Article VII, section 5, of the Constitution of Nebraska.
 5 (5) No private right of action shall exist for individual account
 6 holders under the Parental Rights in Social Media Act.
 7 2. Correct the operative date section so that the sections added by
 8 this amendment become operative on July 1, 2026.

Senator Storer moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 30 ayes, 1 nay, and 18 not voting.

Senator Jacobson requested a roll call vote on the amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 12:

Cavanaugh, J.	DeBoer	Guereca	McKinney
Cavanaugh, M.	Dungan	Hunt	Rountree
Conrad	Fredrickson	Juarez	Spivey

Voting in the negative, 33:

Andersen	Clouse	Holdcroft	McKeon	Storer
Arch	DeKay	Hughes	Meyer	Storm
Armendariz	Dorn	Ibach	Moser	Strommen
Ballard	Dover	Jacobson	Murman	von Gillern
Bosn	Hallstrom	Kauth	Riepe	Wordekemper
Brandt	Hansen	Lippincott	Sanders	
Clements	Hardin	Lonowski	Sorrentino	

Present and not voting, 4:

Bostar	Prokop	Quick	Raybould
--------	--------	-------	----------

The McKinney amendment lost with 12 ayes, 33 nays, and 4 present and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator McKinney requested a machine vote on the advancement of the bill.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment with 38 ayes, 4 nays, and 7 present and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 649. [ER52](#), found on page 1160, was offered.

ER52 was adopted.

Senator von Gillern offered [AM1210](#), found on page 1268.

The von Gillern amendment was adopted with 35 ayes, 1 nay, and 13 present and not voting.

Senator McKinney requested a machine vote on the advancement of the bill.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment with 40 ayes, 4 nays, and 5 present and not voting.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)
Business and Labor

LEGISLATIVE BILL 534. Placed on General File with amendment. [AM1243](#) is available in the Bill Room.

(Signed) Kathleen Kauth, Chairperson

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 183. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 635. Placed on Select File with amendment.

[ER63](#)

- 1 1. In the Standing Committee amendments, AM399:
- 2 a. On page 1, line 10, strike the new matter and reinstate the
- 3 stricken matter; and
- 4 b. On page 5, line 13, reinstate the stricken matter and strike "1
- 5 or"; and in line 14 strike the new matter.
- 6 2. On page 1, line 6, strike "amateur kickboxing, and slap fighting"
- 7 and insert "professional muay thai, amateur muay thai, and amateur
- 8 kickboxing".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 519. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 419. Placed on Select File with amendment.

[ER62](#)

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments thereto and
- 2 insert the following new sections:
- 3 Section 1. Section 80-316, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 4 amended to read:
- 5 80-316 (1) The department shall provide ~~long-term care~~ domestic ~~home~~ care
- 6 ~~and nursing home care and subsistence to:~~
- 7 (a) All persons who either served on active duty in the armed forces
- 8 of the United States, other than active duty for training, or served on

9 active duty for training in the Nebraska National Guard, including active
10 duty for training, and who were discharged or otherwise separated with a
11 characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions) if,
12 at the time of making an application for admission to one of the Nebraska
13 veterans homes:

14 (i) The applicant has been a bona fide resident of the State of
15 Nebraska for at least two years; and
16 (ii) The applicant is in need of long-term care available at one of
17 the Nebraska veterans homes; has become disabled due to service, old age,
18 or otherwise to an extent that it would prevent such applicant from
19 earning a livelihood; and

20 (iii) The applicant's income from all sources is such that the
21 applicant would be dependent wholly or partially upon public charities
22 for support or the type of care needed is available only at a state
23 institution;

24 (b) The spouse of any such person admitted to one of the homes who
25 has attained the age of fifty years and has been married to such member
26 for at least two years before his or her entrance into the home;

27 (c) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, the surviving spouses
1 and parents of eligible servicemen and servicewomen as defined in
2 subdivision (a) of this subsection who died while in the service of the
3 United States or who have since died of a service-connected disability as
4 determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; and

5 (d) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, the surviving spouses
6 of eligible servicemen or servicewomen as defined in subdivision (a) of
7 this subsection who have since died.

8 (2) The surviving spouses and parents referred to in subdivision (1)

9 (c) or (d) of this section shall be eligible for such care and

10 subsistence if, at the time of applying, they:

11 (a) Have been bona fide residents of the State of Nebraska for at
12 least two years; and

13 (b) Have attained the age of fifty years;

14 (b)(e) Are unable to earn a livelihood; and

15 (d) Are dependent wholly or partially upon public charities or the
16 type of care needed is available only at a state institution.

17 (3) No one admitted to one of the Nebraska veterans homes under
18 conditions enumerated in this section shall have a vested right to
19 continued residence in such home if such person ceases to meet any of the
20 eligibility requirements of this section, except that no person who has
21 been regularly admitted shall be denied continued residence solely
22 because of his or her marriage to a member of one of the homes.

23 Sec. 2. Section 80-401.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
24 amended to read:

25 80-401.03 (1) The Director of Veterans' Affairs shall be responsible
26 for the administration of the income funds from the Nebraska Veterans'
27 Aid Fund for the aid of needy veterans and their dependents.

28 (2) The Director of Veterans' Affairs, the deputy director, or a
29 designee of the director shall receive and approve for payment or
30 disapprove applications for aid which shall originate within any local
31 post service officer of any recognized veterans organization, or with a
1 county veterans service officer, or with a state service officer. An
2 applicant may only submit one claim within any thirty-day period, except
3 that there may be an additional application for funeral expenses. If

4 there are two or more local posts of one or more recognized veterans
5 organizations in any community, no claimant can originate a claim in more
6 than one such post at any given time and a period of at least thirty days
7 shall elapse between the filing of claims. An application shall not be
8 deemed to be filed until it has been received and filed in the office of
9 the Director of Veterans' Affairs. The director may adopt and promulgate
10 such rules and regulations as may be necessary for administering such

11 aid.

12 (3) No part of the interest accumulation of the Nebraska Veterans'

13 Aid Fund shall be expended for the purpose of organizing and maintaining

14 any veterans organization. There shall be expended under the direction of

15 the Director of Veterans' Affairs such sum or sums as may be specifically

16 appropriated by the Legislature for the employment of necessary

17 assistants or deputies and clerical employees at such reasonable

18 compensation as may be fixed by the director in each particular case and

19 for the maintenance and expenses of a state service office with necessary

20 service officers and assistants to prepare and present meritorious cases

21 of ex-servicemen and ex-servicewomen for benefits before the United

22 States Department of Veterans Affairs. Such cases shall be accepted by

23 the state service officer on behalf of any claimant when a proper power

24 of attorney is given by such claimant to the office of the Director of

25 Veterans' Affairs or to a state service officer, if he or she is so

26 designated by any recognized veterans organization as its sole

27 representative, and regardless of where the cases originate. No part of

28 such sum or sums is to be paid out of the twelve-million-dollar trust

29 fund or the income therefrom. Upon the completion of the trust, the

30 principal fund so held by the State Treasurer shall revert to the

31 treasury of the state.

1 (4) For purposes of this section, veteran means any person who:

2 (a) Served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States,

3 other than active duty for training, and who:

4 (i) Was discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of

5 honorable or general (under honorable conditions) from such service; or

6 (ii) Died while in service or as a direct result of such service; or

7 (b) Being a citizen of the United States at the time of his or her

8 entry into such service, served with the military forces of any

9 government allied with the United States during any period identified in

10 section 80-401.01 and was discharged or otherwise separated with a

11 characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions).

12 Sec. 3. Original sections 80-316 and 80-401.03, Reissue Revised

13 Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.

(Signed) Dunixi Guereca, Chairperson

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 142. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

WHEREAS, the Myositis Association is organizing a nationwide observance of Myositis Awareness Month in May 2025; and

WHEREAS, residents of Nebraska are among those affected by myositis and other rare diseases; and

WHEREAS, idiopathic inflammatory myopathies, collectively referred to as myositis, are rare, chronic, autoimmune muscle wasting diseases and often feature debilitating muscle inflammation and other symptoms such as pain, fatigue, trouble swallowing, and can result in myositis-associated interstitial lung disease; and

WHEREAS, more research is needed to identify the causes of and modes of treatments for the myositis group of diseases; and

WHEREAS, myositis is difficult to diagnose, treatment is often delayed, and individuals experience difficulty finding a health care provider; and

WHEREAS, all who suffer from myositis experience reduced quality of life and shortened life expectancy; and

WHEREAS, women and people of color with all forms of myositis experience particularly pronounced health disparities; and

WHEREAS, the Myositis Association is the leading international patient advocacy organization serving the myositis community, focusing on patient services, education, research, and public awareness, so as to achieve a world without myositis.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes May 2025 as Myositis Awareness Month in Nebraska.

2. That the Legislature expresses support for all people affected by myositis.

Laid over.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 530. The first committee amendment [AM1218](#), found on page 1269 and considered on page 1274, was renewed.

Senator Bosn renewed [MO216](#), found and considered on page 1275, to withdraw AM1182 and substitute AM1230.

Pending.

EASE

The Legislature was at ease from 5:33 p.m. until 6:05 p.m.

SENATOR DORN PRESIDING

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 530. The first committee amendment, [AM1218](#), found on page 1269 and considered on page 1274, was renewed.

Senator Bosn renewed [MO216](#), found and considered on page 1275, to withdraw AM1182 and substitute AM1230.

Senator Dungan moved the previous question. The question is, "Shall the debate now close?" The motion prevailed with 27 ayes, 0 nays, and 22 not voting.

The Bosn motion to withdraw and substitute prevailed with 31 ayes, 1 nay, and 17 present and not voting.

Senator Bosn offered [AM1230](#), found on page 1276, to the first committee amendment.

The Bosn amendment, to the first committee amendment, was adopted with 31 ayes, 5 nays, and 13 present and not voting.

Senator Dungan offered [FA154](#), found on page 1276, to the first committee amendment.

The Dungan amendment, to the first committee amendment, lost with 12 ayes, 26 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Dungan offered [FA153](#), found on page 1276, to the first committee amendment.

SPEAKER ARCH PRESIDING

The Dungan amendment, to the first committee amendment, lost with 13 ayes, 29 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Pending.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 215. Placed on Select File with amendment.

[ER64](#)

1 1. On page 1, strike beginning with "criminal" in line 1 through
2 line 6 and insert "the Nebraska Treatment and Corrections Act; to amend
3 section 83-1,135, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to state
4 findings; to define a term; to require the establishment of a program to
5 provide second chance relief as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and
6 to repeal the original section."

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 19CA. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 36A. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 80A. Placed on Select File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 246. Placed on Final Reading Second with the attached statement.

[ST28](#)

The following changes, required to be reported for publication in the Journal, have been made:

1. In the Final Reading copy, on page 2, line 26, the second underscored comma has been struck and an underscored comma has been inserted after "sell".

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 143. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6; Armendariz, 18; Bosn, 25; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Conrad, 46; DeBoer, 10;

Hughes, 24; Ibach, 44; Juarez, 5; Kauth, 31; McKinney, 11; Raybould, 28; Riepe, 12; Sanders, 45; Sorrentino, 39; Spivey, 13; Storer, 43.

WHEREAS, over twenty-four thousand babies are born in Nebraska each year and the mental health of women before, during, and after pregnancy is an issue of great concern to women, their families, and Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, one in five women and one in seven men are affected by a Perinatal Mood, Anxiety, and Depression disorder, and may experience associated symptoms, which are often overlooked and heavily stigmatized because new and expectant parents suffering from Perinatal Mood, Anxiety, and Depression disorders often feel confused, ashamed, and isolated; and

WHEREAS, according to the 2024 Maternal Death Review Team report eighteen percent of pregnancy-associated deaths in Nebraska between 2014 and 2022 had a contributing circumstance of mental health; and

WHEREAS, seventy percent of women identified during routine screenings do not seek help because they are not informed about Perinatal Mood, Anxiety, and Depression disorders as part of their health care, there is a lack of provider knowledge and use of screening tools, and they are unaware of treatment and community supportive services for Perinatal Mood, Anxiety, and Depression disorders; and

WHEREAS, Perinatal Mood, Anxiety, and Depression disorders are highly treatable with therapeutic intervention such as medication, therapy, counseling, support groups, and community support services.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes May 2025 as Maternal Mental Health Awareness Month in Nebraska.

2. That the Legislature expresses its support for all people diagnosed with a Perinatal Mood, Anxiety, and Depression disorder.

Laid over.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

Unanimous consent to add Senator(s) as cointroducer(s). No objections. So ordered.

Senator Holdcroft name added to LB693.

WITHDRAW - Cointroducer(s)

Senator Guereca name withdrawn from LB684.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were students and sponsors from Sandhills Public School, Dunning; Picotte Elementary, Omaha; students from Ravenna Public School, Ravenna; Kate Bolz and Michael Bolz Flowerday, Lincoln.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. James Watson, Papillion.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:49 p.m., on a motion by Senator Hughes, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Thursday, May 1, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

