Approved by the Governor February 15, 1994

Introduced by Chambers, 11

AN ACT relating to the University of Nebraska; to amend section 85-106.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943; to change provisions relating to the insurance program for student athletes; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 85-106.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

85-106.05. The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska shall establish an insurance program which provides coverage to student athletes for personal injuries or accidental death while participating in university-organized play or practice in an intercollegiate athletic event. Such insurance program shall include, but not be limited to, the following coverages:

(1) All reasonable and necessary hospital, medical, and surgical services for a period of six years after the date of injury up to a maximum amount of one million dollars;

(2) For any total disability lasting longer than one year from the date of injury and which prevents further participation by the student in intercollegiate athletics, a minimum annuity of two thousand dollars per month to be paid to the disabled person beginning one year after the date of injury and continuing thereafter during the period of total disability, but not beyond six years from the date of injury;

(3) For any permanent and total disability, a minimum annuity of three thousand dollars per month to be paid to the disabled person beginning six years after the date of injury and continuing thereafter during the period of total disability;

(4) For any permanent partial disability when there is at least a seventy percent loss of use of a limb and when the student is unable to further participate in intercollegiate athletics, the plan shall provide for payment of a lump-sum benefit in the minimum amount of ten thousand dollars one year after the date of injury; and

(5) For accidental death or dismemberment while participating in university-organized play or practice in an intercollegiate athletic event, the plan shall provide for payment of a lump-sum benefit in the minimum amount of one hundred thousand dollars.

Such insurance program may include self-insurance by the University of Nebraska of any risk or deductible amount specified by the Board of Regents₇ and, with respect to hospital, medical, and surgical services, may be coordinated with any other valid and collectible insurance <u>providing</u> coverage <u>for</u> a student <u>athlete</u> voluntarily obtains outside of the university's insurance program so that accident and health coverage is provided by the University of Nebraska without duplication of the student's any such outside insurance coverage.

Sec. 2. That original section 85-106.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, is repealed.