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Bills marked with an asterisk (*) were amended into other package bills.

LB #	INTRODUCER	ONELINER	STATUS
LB18	Cavanaugh, J.	Require certain determination prior to utility pole installations under the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB23	Cavanaugh, J.	Provide for grants for bike-sharing programs	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB37	Jacobson	Adopt the Railroad Safety Act	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB106	Hughes	Change requirements for motor vehicle windows	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB112	Quick	Change provisions relating to salvage branded certificates of title	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB128	McKeon	Change provisions relating to the investigation of railroad accidents	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB176	Hughes	Require resolutions of project support from political subdivisions under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB207	von Gillern	Provide a registration fee under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for certain commercially registered alternative fuel vehicles	Enacted
LB256	Quick	Adopt the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)

LB337	Wordekemper	Change provisions relating to the regulation and operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB444	Dungan	Require certain minimum uninsured and underinsured insurance coverage for certain motor carriers	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB449	Fredrickson	Change provisions relating to the priority of projects and requirements of the state highway system plan	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB465	Bosn	Change provisions relating to annual fees and eliminate requirements for the use of a personal vehicle for transportation network companies	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB485	Quick	Provide for confidentiality for train crew members involved with railroad fatalities and access to confidential information of train crew members and exempt train crew members from being required to display operator's licenses to law enforcement	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB496	Murman	Provide requirements under the Nebraska Rules of the Road relating to motorists encountering certain animals being led or driven on highways	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB542	Dover	Change and eliminate payment provisions for road construction costs relating to utility facilities	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
*LB576	Dorn	Change provisions of the Enhanced Wireless 911 Services Act relating to surcharges and public hearings	Enacted (LB1126)
LB594	Prokop	Change and eliminate provisions relating to the use of handheld communication devices while operating a motor vehicle	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB619	Ballard	Provide for cities of the primary class and certain counties to receive grants relating to certain highways	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB690	Lonowski	Change provisions relating to the regulation and operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
LB714	Clements	Change provisions relating to motor vehicle taxes and fees	In Committee (Indefinitely Postponed at Sine Die)
*LB738	Rountree	Provide for Honoring Women Veterans license plates	Enacted (LB972)

*LB769	DeKay	Provide for University of Nebraska State Museum License Plates, provide duties to the Department of Motor Vehicles and the University of Nebraska, and create a fund	Enacted (LB972)
LB771	Ballard	Change provisions relating to dynamic pricing used by transportation network companies	Enacted
LB781	Ballard	Adopt updates to federal law relating to motor vehicles and motor carriers and change civil penalties against certain motor carriers	Enacted
LB886	Andersen	Change provisions relating to operation of motor vehicles by persons who are not citizens of the United States	In Committee
*LB922	Brandt	Change certain fees under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act	Enacted (LB972)
LB972	Fredrickson (TNT Committee Priority)	Adopt the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act and change provisions relating to parking spaces for handicapped or disabled persons, certain license revocations, the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, the Nebraska Rules of the Road, and the State Boat Act	Enacted
LB977	Storer	Provide requirements under the Nebraska Rules of the Road for motorists and electric personal assistive mobility device operators encountering certain animals being led, herded, or driven on or along highways	Enacted
LB991	Dover	Provide for stop-signal-arm camera systems on school buses and authorize the use of such systems for enforcement of certain violations under the Nebraska Rules of the Road	In Committee
*LB1005	Clouse	Provide for the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles between sunset and sunrise under the Nebraska Rules of the Road	Enacted (LB972)
*LB1073	Bosn	Require commercial motor vehicle driver training to include antitrafficking training	Enacted (LB1126)
LB1082	Storer	Provide a duty for telecommunications companies under the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation Act	In Committee
*LB1092	Bostar	Provide for Back the Blue License Plates and Iconic-Design License Plates	Enacted (LB972)
LB1093	Ballard	Redefine excavation under the One-Call Notification System Act	In Committee
LB1098	Juarez	Adopt the State Rail Plan Act	In Committee
*LB1099	Hansen	Provide for Husker Red License Plates	Enacted (LB972)
LB1104	Dover	Provide for certain determinations relating to the avoidance of motor vehicle taxes and fees under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act	Enacted (LB972)
*LB1107	Meyer, G.	Change provisions of the Rural Road Improvement District Act	Enacted (LB1126)

*LB1121	Ballard	Adopt the Recreation Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, change provisions of the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, and change provisions relating to recreational vehicles	Enacted (LB972)
LB1126	Moser (TNT Committee Priority)	Adopt the Infrastructure Development Investment Program Act and change and eliminate provisions relating to the Rural Road Improvement District Act, the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act, the Transportation Innovation Act, the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, the Nebraska Rules of the Road, intrastate medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services, and wireless service surcharges	Enacted
LB1158	DeBoer	Change provisions relating to certain motor carriers	In Committee
LB1162	Ballard	Change powers and duties of the Public Service Commission relating to railroad safety	General File
LB1176	DeBoer	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Rules of the Road and the Automatic License Plate Reader Privacy Act	In Committee
*LB1180	DeBoer	Provide for licenses to engage in intrastate medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services and provide that certain rates charged by certain motor carriers are not subject to regulation by the Public Service Commission	Enacted (LB1126)
LB1202	Clouse	Change provisions relating to ignition interlock devices and ignition interlock permits	In Committee
LB1223	Hunt	Change headlight requirements under the Nebraska Rules of the Road and prohibit the sale and distribution of certain motor vehicles under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act	In Committee
LB1260	Clements	Change motor vehicle taxes, fees, and allocations, provide for a motor vehicle tax supplement, and change local system formula resources under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	Withdrawn

Enacted Bills

LB207

Provide a registration fee under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for certain commercially registered alternative fuel vehicles

Introduced by: Senator von Gillern

LB207 obligates operators of alternative fuel motor vehicles weighing more than seven thousand five hundred pounds to pay a higher fee to the Department of Motor Vehicles, which varies depending on weight. Section 60-306 defines alternative fuel as electricity, solar power, or any other source of energy not otherwise taxed under the motor fuel laws in the state.

The Committee considered and adopted AM73, which excludes vehicles registered under section 60-3,198 from the new, higher fees. Section 60-3,198 addresses fleets of apportionable vehicles registered with the Division of Motor Carrier Services of the Department of Motor Vehicles.

LB207 carried over from the First Session and was enacted in the Second Session.

LB771

Change provisions relating to dynamic pricing used by transportation network companies

Introduced by: Senator Ballard

LB771 alters Nebraska statutes related to transportation network companies. It amends section 75-327 to give the Governor discretion to permit dynamic pricing in political subdivisions where the Governor has declared an emergency. Any prohibition of such pricing must be specifically declared by the Governor in the relevant emergency proclamation or executive order. Dynamic pricing is permitted in any political subdivision not in a state of emergency.

LB771 was amended on General File by AM1948 and FA967, and further amended on Select File by AM2262, each making clarifying adjustments to the scope and application of the emergency pricing prohibition.

LB781

Adopt updates to federal law relating to motor vehicles and motor carriers and change civil penalties against certain motor carriers

Introduced by: Senator Ballard

LB781 updates Nebraska law to incorporate references to federal laws and regulations related to motor vehicles and motor carriers as they existed on January 1, 2026. The bill ensures continued consistency between Nebraska's motor carrier regulatory framework and applicable federal requirements. It also increases the civil penalties that may be assessed against certain motor carriers found to be in violation of Nebraska law, aligning state penalty levels with updated federal standards.

LB972

Adopt the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act and change provisions relating to parking spaces for handicapped or disabled persons, certain license revocations, the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, the Nebraska Rules of the Road, and the State Boat Act

Introduced by: Senator Fredrickson (TNT Committee Priority)

LB972 is a Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) cleanup bill that makes several changes to Nebraska law. It requires that those applying for a bonded certificate of title in a motorboat give notice to any party with a security interest in the vehicle. It clarifies requirements for In Transit and transporter license plates. It adds to the information required when applying to register a motor vehicle or trailer. Special interest motor vehicle license plates will no longer be offered after December 31, 2028 and the DMV will offer new Choice Color Plates in green and blue beginning January 1, 2027. The bill allows the DMV to waive testing requirements for qualified ignition interlock permit holders seeking to reinstate their license. Beginning July 1, 2027, proof of financial responsibility will be transmitted electronically to the DMV by insurance carriers. Finally, LB972 raises the minimum age to operate a snowmobile to sixteen and removes the requirement to hold a snowmobile safety certificate.

LB972 was amended in committee by AM2260 to incorporate the provisions of LB922 (Section 65), LB1121 as amended (Sections 1–35, 62, 64, 66, 69, and 70), LB1104 (Sections 42 and 50), LB738 (Sections 49 and 71), and LB769 (Sections 49 and 72). It was amended in General File by AMs 2258 and 2288. It was amended in Select File with AMs 2720, 2844, and 2999.

Committee Amendment

LB922 – Section 65 of LB972 as amended -

LB922 was introduced by Senator Brandt to change fees related to various motor vehicle dealer licenses in Nebraska. The maximum fee thresholds charged by the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Licensing Board are raised for a wide range of license types, including:

- The motor vehicle dealer’s license fee from twenty dollars to one thousand dollars;
- the supplemental motor vehicle dealer’s license fee from twenty dollars to five hundred dollars;
- the dealer’s agent license from one hundred dollars to five hundred dollars;
- the motor vehicle, motorcycle, or trailer manufacturer’s license from six hundred dollars to one thousand five hundred dollars;
- the distributor’s license from six hundred dollars to one thousand five hundred dollars;
- the factory representative’s license from twenty dollars to one hundred dollars;
- the distributor representative’s license from twenty dollars to one hundred dollars;
- the finance company’s license from four hundred dollars to one thousand dollars;
- the wrecker or salvage dealer’s license from two hundred dollars to five hundred dollars;
- the factory branch license from two hundred dollars to five hundred dollars;
- the motorcycle dealer’s license from four hundred dollars to one thousand dollars;
- the motor vehicle auction dealer’s license from four hundred dollars to one thousand dollars;
- the trailer dealer’s license from four hundred dollars to one thousand dollars; and
- the fee to move to a new location within the same city limits or county from twenty-five dollars to one hundred dollars.

LB1121 – Sections 1–35, 62, 64, 66, 69–70 of LB972 as amended –

LB1121, introduced by Senator Ballard, adopts the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation (RVIR) Act, which creates a new class of dealership licenses in Nebraska for recreational vehicle dealers, regulated by the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board (MVILB). The Act establishes detailed requirements for manufacturer-dealer agreements, including designation of the dealer’s area of sales responsibility and timeframes for inspection and refusal of delivery. It addresses termination procedures, warranty obligations between dealers and warrantors, and civil processes for injured parties. Two new positions on the MVILB are created, one for recreational vehicle dealers and one for recreational vehicle manufacturers, with appointments to be made by the Governor by January 1, 2027. Beginning January 1, 2027, only licensed recreational vehicle dealers may sell new recreational vehicles in Nebraska.

LB1104 – Sections 42 and 50 of LB972 as amended –

LB1104, introduced by Senator Dover, amends section 60-362 to allow the Department of Motor Vehicles or the Department of Revenue to determine that a Nebraska resident is avoiding motor vehicle taxes, fees, registration fees, or sales or use taxes by registering their motor vehicle or trailer in another state. If such a determination is made, there is a rebuttable presumption that the resident is required to register the vehicle in Nebraska and pay applicable taxes and fees. The resident has thirty days to appeal.

LB738 – Sections 49 and 71 of LB972 as amended –

LB738, introduced by Senator Rountree, creates a new alternate license plate to honor the service of women veterans. The DMV will design the plate in consultation with a nongovernmental organization that provides support to veterans. The plate must depict a woman soldier and include the words “women veterans” at the top and “honoring her service” at the bottom. It also creates the Women Veterans Cash Fund, which may be used by the DMV for events highlighting women veterans.

LB769 – Sections 49 and 72 of LB972 as amended –

LB769, introduced by Senator DeKay, adds University of Nebraska State Museum License Plates to the list of alternate license plates provided by the Department of Motor Vehicles. The DMV will create up to three designs in consultation with the University of Nebraska and a qualifying nonprofit organization, with designs reflecting the University’s museums including Ashfall Fossil Beds, Morrill Hall, and the Trailside Museum. A corresponding University of Nebraska Museum License Plate Cash Fund is created to promote understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of science and natural history.

General File Amendments

LB1005, introduced by Senator Clouse, provides for the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles between sunset and sunrise under the Nebraska Rules of the Road. The provisions were incorporated into LB972 as amended.

LB1092, introduced by Senator Bostar, provides for Back the Blue License Plates and Iconic-Design License Plates, provisions of which were incorporated into LB972 as amended.

LB1099, introduced by Senator Hansen, provides for Husker Red License Plates. The provisions were incorporated into LB972 as amended.

LB977

Provide requirements under the Nebraska Rules of the Road for motorists and electric personal assistive mobility device operators encountering certain animals being led, herded, or driven on or along highways

Introduced by: Senator Storer

LB977 amends the Nebraska Rules of the Road to codify safety procedures for motorists and electric personal assistive mobility device (EPAMD) operators when encountering persons leading, herding, or driving livestock on or along a highway. The bill defines livestock to include horses, mules, donkeys, cattle, swine, sheep, and goats. Motor vehicle operators must exercise caution when approaching a person leading or herding livestock, promptly stop if the person gives a distress signal, and shut their engine off if requested by that person. EPAMD operators are subject to corresponding duties when encountering such animals on a highway.

LB1126

Adopt the Infrastructure Development Investment Program Act and change and eliminate provisions relating to the Rural Road Improvement District Act, the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act, the Transportation Innovation Act, the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, the Nebraska Rules of the Road, intrastate Medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services, and wireless service surcharges

Introduced by: Senator Moser (TNT Committee Priority)

LB1126 creates the Infrastructure Development Investment Program Act (IDIP), which allows the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) to create a fund to assist in financing transportation contracts. The fund will be overseen by the State Highway Commission (SHC). The program is subject to an annual audit and does not draw on the full faith and credit of the State of Nebraska. In evaluating eligible projects and entities to which it might give financial assistance, it must prioritize projects that offer an economic impact and create jobs, safety benefits, readiness and financial feasibility, public benefit, consistency with transportation goals, leverage of private capital, local support, and the ability of the applicant to repay. Loan obligations will be exempt from state and local taxes.

The program must maintain a public website to display relevant information. It also allows for the acceptance of unsolicited bids. If the department intends to pursue a project from an unsolicited bid, it must allow a reasonable time for competitors to submit corresponding, competing bids. The threshold at which reports must be presented to the department for damage by a motor vehicle to another's property is raised from one thousand five hundred to two thousand dollars. Fees for continuous or continuing permits are raised and fees for a new class of vehicle, a superload, are established. Finally, the fee for permits for vehicles moving a building or objects requiring specialized dollies is raised from ten dollars to fifty dollars.

LB1126 was amended in committee by AM2432 to incorporate the provisions of LB1107 (Sections 50-66), LB1073 as amended (Sections 74 and 76), and LB1180 (Sections 86-94), LB738 (Sections 49 and 71), and LB769 (Sections 49 and 72). It was amended in Select File by AMs 2752.

Committee Amendment

LB1107 modifies statutory language under the Rural Road Improvement District Act (RRIDA) concerning special assessments for county infrastructure to clarify specific districts in which such assessments will be levied (Section 58). Resolutions authorizing special assessments must not be adopted in the same county board meeting in which they were raised (Section 53). Finally, it increases bond term for county road projects from ten years to twenty years (Section 60).

LB1073– Sections 74 and 76 of LB1126 as amended –

LB1073 requires that those people undergoing training to obtain a commercial driver’s license also undergo a minimum of thirty minutes of antitrafficking training. The requirement goes into effect on January 1, 2027. The curriculum for the training must be developed by the Attorney General by December 1, 2026 and must be updated at least once every three years.

LB1180– Sections 74 and 76 of LB1126 as amended –

LB1180 amends licensing requirements for intrastate Medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services (NEMTS). It provides the processes by which the Public Service Commission (PSC) may grant, suspend, or revoke such licenses. Licenses are required to contract with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Medicaid-managed care organizations under contract with DHHS, or DHHS’s agent).

Select File Amendments

LB1180– Sections 96 and 97 of LB1126 as amended –

LB576, introduced by Senator Dorn, increases the surcharge cap that wireless carriers must collect and remit to the Public Service Commission for 911 services, from seventy cents to one dollar per month. When meeting annually to determine the surcharge amount, the PSC must determine the amount that maximizes operational support for all public safety answering points in the state.

GENERAL FILE

LB1162

Change powers and duties of the Public Service Commission relating to railroad safety

Introduced by: Senator Ballard

LB1162 updates the procedures used by the Public Service Commission (commission) when conducting inspections, surveillance and related activities connected with railroad safety. The bill harmonizes Nebraska law with federal law as it existed on January 1, 2026 and allows the commission to report potential safety violations to the Federal Railroad Administration.

LB1162 was modified in committee by AM1979, which clarifies that federal railroad safety standards may be adopted by reference and not directly. It also clarifies that the commission may report safety violations to the Federal Railroad Administration, not potential violations.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

LB18

Require certain determinations prior to utility pole installations under the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act

Introduced by: Senator Cavanaugh, J.

LB18 mandates that, prior to installation of any new or modified utility pole in a right-of-way, authorities must determine whether such action complies with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, does not obstruct or hinder usual travel or public safety, and whether it would obstruct or impede the legal use of the right-of-way by any utility. If it determines that installation or modification does not comply with the stated criteria, the authority must not permit the installation.

Authority is defined as the State of Nebraska or any agency, county, city, village, or other political subdivision thereof. Neb. Rev. Stat §86-1208. It does not include public power suppliers, state courts having jurisdiction over authorities or entities that do not have zoning or permit-granting authority.

LB23

Provide for grants for bike-sharing programs

Introduced by: Senator Cavanaugh, J.

LB23 aims to create a grant program which would promote the use of bike-sharing initiatives across the state. It directs the Department of Economic Development to partner with nonprofit organizations, who would be required to report that the grant was used for the stated purpose and to return any unused funds. It intends to use \$250,000 for the program.

LB37

Adopt the Railroad Safety Act

Introduced by: Senator Jacobson

LB37, the Railroad Safety Act, adopts certain standards to increase railroad safety in Nebraska. Trains over eight thousand five hundred feet in length and that are carrying hazardous substances are prohibited from operating on main lines of the state. Railroads must have wayside detector systems and must make an annual report to the Public Service Commission (PSC) on their status and locations, which the PSC then transmits to the Legislature.

The bill directs how detector messages from wayside detector systems are to be handled. It guarantees the right of workers to contact their union representative to conduct an investigation of any safety violation or incident. The PSC is given authority to impose fines for safety violations. The bill prohibits comparative fault in cases where a train operating over seven thousand feet in length and carrying hazardous materials is found to have caused property damage, personal injury, or death.

LB37 also prohibits trains from blocking public crossings for more than 10 minutes.

Finally, the bill mandates that, at least every three years, railroads conduct training sessions for fire departments having jurisdiction over tracks that they use.

LB106

Change requirements for motor vehicle windows

Introduced by: Senator Hughes

LB106 changes the limit on luminous reflectance of motor vehicle windows, both front and rear, from thirty-five percent to twenty percent.

LB112

Change provisions relating to salvage branded certificates of title

Introduced by: Senator Quick

LB112 expands the definition of salvage to include vehicles deemed structurally totaled by a facility that performs consumer care and by an insurance company that insured the vehicle. Structurally totaled means a vehicle totaled due to a kink or crease in a frame rail, unibody, or structural component. It does not include those vehicles that would cost less than 75 percent of their value to repair. The bill also allows an insurance company to acquire a salvage vehicle through a determination that the vehicle is a structurally totaled vehicle, in addition to the existing method of payment of a total loss settlement.

LB128

Change provisions relating to the investigation of railroad accidents

Introduced by: Senator McKeon

LB128 allows the PSC to investigate any railroad accident within the state that results in loss of life or injury to any person or property. Railroads must report any such accident to the PSC within twenty-four hours of its occurrence.

LB176

Require resolutions of project support from political subdivisions under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act

Introduced by: Senator Hughes

LB176 requires entities applying for grants under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act to submit resolutions of project support from each county, city, and village where the proposed project will be located. Applications must also contain a map of the proposed project area, acknowledgement that appropriate permits will be obtained, and a proposed timeline for the project.

AM716 was filed which alters the language to require a resolution of project acknowledgement, instead of support, under the Rural Communications Sustainability Act. It also exempts programs funded by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

LB256

Adopt the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact

Introduced by: Senator Quick

LB256 allows Nebraska to join the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact, a multistate organization dedicated to improving passenger rail services in the Midwest. It allows the state to work with other key entities to further promote and fund rail projects in Nebraska.

LB337

Change provisions relating to the regulation and operation of all-terrain and utility-type vehicles

Introduced by: Senator Wordekemper

LB337 amends Nebraska laws regarding all-terrain vehicles (ATV) and utility-type vehicles (UTV). It redefines those vehicles in various statutes by removing the current weight limit from their description and ensuring they fit within the definition of a motor vehicle, bypassing current titling problems. It mandates language to be used in the title and clarifies that ATVs and UTVs which have been modified or retrofitted with after-market parts are eligible for registration. It allows the DMV to issue license plates for such vehicles and sets out a registration fee of three dollars and a base tax rate of twenty-five dollars. It allows ATVs and UTVs to tow various types of trailers and exempts operators and passengers from occupant protection system requirements if they are wearing protective helmets and eye protection. If registered under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, ATVs and UTVs may be operated on various highways and roads with certain exceptions. The proceeds from sales and use taxes on such vehicles are directed to the Game and Parks Commission Capital Maintenance Fund.

LB444

Require certain minimum uninsured and underinsured insurance coverage for certain motor carriers

Introduced by: Senator Dungan

LB444 would require the Public Service Commission to mandate a minimum of one million dollars in uninsured and underinsured insurance coverage per occupant for certified intrastate motor carriers, including common and contract carriers. This requirement does not apply to transportation network companies.

LB449

Change provisions relating to the priority of projects and requirements of the state highway system plan

Introduced by: Senator Fredrickson

LB449 removes language designating preservation of the existing state highway system as the Nebraska Department of Transportation's (NDOT) primary priority. It also removes language directing the department to use current and projected traffic volume, safety requirements, economic development needs, current and projected demographic trends, and Nebraskans' quality of life as factors to weigh in developing secondary priorities. Finally, it mandates that at least seventy percent of revenue raised in each district be used for projects in that district.

LB465

Change provisions relating to annual fees and eliminate requirements for the use of a personal vehicle for transportation network companies

Introduced by: Senator Bosn

LB465 would allow transportation network companies (TNCs) the option to pay an annual flat fee not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars or an annual per-vehicle fee not exceeding eighty dollars for each personal vehicle operated by their drivers. The Public Service Commission must determine the amount of such fees so that they are minimized to the amount needed to regulate TNCs. The bill would also remove inspection requirements for personal vehicles operated by TNC drivers.

LB485

Provide for confidentiality for train crew members involved with railroad fatalities and access to confidential information of train crew members and exempt train crew members from being required to display operator's licenses to law enforcement

Introduced by: Senator Quick

LB485 requires that the personal identifying information of train crew members contained in reports involving railroad fatalities be redacted from public reports. Law enforcement must maintain such information in a way that ensures its confidentiality. Unredacted copies must be accessible at all reasonable times to the employing railroad, to any person authorized by court order, and to relevant law enforcement, prosecutors, or PSC staff as is necessary in the performance of such person's duties. Train crew members are not required to display an operator's license to a law enforcement officer in connection with rail operation in Nebraska. Train crew member means an engineer, conductor, brakeman, or any other member of the train crew.

LB496

Provide requirements under the Nebraska Rules of the Road relating to motorists encountering certain animals being led or driven on highways

Introduced by: Senator Murman

LB496 would define livestock as horses, mules, donkeys, cattle, swine, sheep, and goats. It would impose an obligation on motor vehicle operators to use caution when approaching a person leading or herding livestock on a highway, promptly stop if the person driving the livestock gives a distress signal, and shut the engine of the vehicle off if requested by that person. Note: The substance of LB496 was ultimately enacted with alterations through LB977 in the 2026 session.

LB542

Change and eliminate payment provisions for road construction costs relating to utility facilities

Introduced by: Senator Dover

LB542 requires the state to pay the cost of altering or moving a utility facility located near any highway, not just those near the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways. It also expands the definition of utility facility to include commercial broadband suppliers and community antenna television services.

LB594

Change and eliminate provisions relating to the use of handheld wireless communication devices while operating a motor vehicle

Introduced by: Senator Prokop

LB594 prohibits persons from holding or supporting wireless communication devices while operating a motor vehicle in motion. Exceptions are created for law enforcement officers, firefighters, ambulance drivers, or emergency medical technicians; employees or contractors of utility services providers responding to utility emergencies; and a person communicating with emergency services in an emergency situation. The prohibition also does not apply when a person is not touching the device or uses a single touch to initiate a communication.

LB619

Provide for cities of the primary class and certain counties to receive grants relating to certain highways

Introduced by: Senator Ballard

LB619 expresses the intent of the Legislature to appropriate fifteen million dollars from the General Fund to aid in projects that connect highways to the Interstate system in cities of the primary class and counties in which they are located. The grant program would be administered by the Department of Transportation, and those receiving grants must submit an annual report until all grant money is spent. Any funds not used must be repaid by the city or county.

LB690

Change provisions relating to the regulation and operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles

Introduced by: Senator Lonowski

LB690 allows for the use of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and utility-type vehicles (UTVs) on certain state highways if permitted by an ordinance from a county, city, or village. It includes ATVs and UTVs in the definition of motor vehicles and exempts them from requirements of an occupant protection system or three-point safety belt system if the operator and passengers wear protective eyewear, a helmet, or have a windshield. Registered ATVs and UTVs must have a license plate. ATVs and UTVs are also exempted from standard tire requirements. The bill also sets out base taxes and fees for each vehicle type.

LB714

Change provisions relating to motor vehicle taxes and fees

Introduced by: Senator Clements

LB714 alters the motor vehicle tax and fee structure. It increases the motor vehicle tax retained for costs incurred by the county treasurer from one to two percent, and increases the amount credited to the Vehicle Title and Registration System Replacement and Maintenance Cash Fund from one percent to one and three-tenths of one percent. Forty percent of the remaining motor vehicle tax proceeds go to the county and thirty-seven percent to the local school system. Twenty-three percent goes to the city or village. In counties with a city of the metropolitan class, thirty-eight percent is allocated to the county and twenty-five percent to the city or village. The bill also alters the base motor vehicle tax schedule and creates new categories for vehicles initially valued over one hundred thousand dollars. Motor vehicle fees are generally increased for all vehicle types. The act was to become operative on January 1, 2026.

LB886

Change provisions relating to operation of motor vehicles by persons who are not citizens of the United States

Introduced by: Senator Andersen

LB886 would amend Nebraska law to change the provisions governing the operation of motor vehicles by persons who are not citizens of the United States. It clarifies that anyone who does not have United States citizenship or is in the country without lawful status does not have the ability to legally operate a motor vehicle in Nebraska.

LB991

Provide for stop-signal-arm camera systems on school buses and authorize the use of such systems for enforcement of certain violations under the Nebraska Rules of the Road

Introduced by: Senator Dover

LB991 would authorize the use of stop-signal-arm camera systems on school buses for the purpose of enforcing violations of the Nebraska Rules of the Road relating to unlawfully passing a school bus with an extended stop arm. The bill establishes procedures for the use of recorded images as evidence in enforcement proceedings and specifies the civil fine structure for such violations and the distribution of collected fines.

LB1082

Provide a duty for telecommunications companies under the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation Act

Introduced by: Senator Storer

LB1082 would mandate that telecommunications companies have a duty to protect their customers from receiving unwanted calls and text messages from users with unauthenticated North American Numbering Plan numbers. They must also prevent the fraudulent provision of misleading or inaccurate caller identification information.

LB1093

Redefine excavation under the One-Call Notification System Act

Introduced by: Senator Ballard

LB1093 would amend Nebraska law to redefine ‘excavation’ to include digging by a telecommunications service, community antenna television service, or broadband service provider in order to connect a customer to the service provider’s network. The depth of the dig would be capped at eighteen inches.

LB1098

Adopt the State Rail Plan Act

Introduced by: Senator Juarez

LB1098 would adopt the State Rail Plan Act, directing the Nebraska Department of Transportation to develop and maintain a comprehensive state rail plan. Such a plan would assess the current state of rail infrastructure in Nebraska, identify deficiencies and opportunities, and establish goals for the development of both freight and passenger rail service. The plan would be updated periodically and would serve as the guiding document for the state’s rail policy and investment priorities.

LB1158

Change provisions relating to certain motor carriers

Introduced by: Senator DeBoer

LB1158 would amend Nebraska law to require transportation network companies to apply to the Public Service Commission for license before transportation employees of a railroad carrier engaged in interstate commerce. Such license shall be issued on the payment of two hundred fifty dollars.

LB1176

Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Rules of the Road and the Automatic License Plate Reader Privacy Act

Introduced by: Senator DeBoer

LB1176 would amend both the Nebraska Rules of the Road and the Automatic License Plate Reader Privacy Act. Amendments to the Rules of the Road address operational requirements for motor vehicle operators in specific circumstances. The amendments to the Automatic License Plate Reader Privacy Act would adjust the standards governing the collection, retention, sharing, and use of data gathered by automatic license plate reader systems operated by law enforcement and other authorized entities in Nebraska.

LB1202

Change provisions relating to ignition interlock devices and ignition interlock permits

Introduced by: Senator Clouse

LB1202 would harmonize Nebraska law surrounding ignition interlock permits (IIPs) and clarify that the relevant language applies whether the permit is ordered by the Departments of Motor Vehicles or the Board of Pardons. The bill would clarify that individuals who are ordered to use an IIP are prohibited from operating a motor vehicle without one installed and operating properly. Finally, it would extend the revocation to ninety days for a violation of that provision and resets the clock with subsequent violations.

LB1223

Change headlight requirements under the Nebraska Rules of the Road and prohibit the sale and distribution of certain motor vehicles under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act

Introduced by: Senator Hunt

LB1223 would amend Nebraska law regarding headlight brightness. It would mandate that the brightness must be less than three thousand lumens. The color temperature would be capped at six thousand kelvin with a white, yellow, or amber color. Drivers following another vehicle would be required to dim their headlights at a distance of four hundred feet.