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LB15	Blood	Monitor	Health and Human Services	01/28/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Adopt the Occupational Therapy Practice Interstate Compact <i>Allows for an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant to apply for compact privileges to practice in a remote state. A licensee providing OT in a remote state under the compact privilege shall function within the laws and regulations of the remote state. OTAs practicing in a remote state shall be supervised by an OT licensed or holding a compact privilege in that state.</i> <i>LB15 amended into LB752 with AM1918.</i>
LB20	Blood	Monitor	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	03/01/2021	General File 03/11/2021	Provide for insurance coverage of and medicaid access to prescribed contraceptives <i>Proposed AM585 (Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee): Reduces the requirement for a 12-month supply to a 6-month supply. Clarifies the bill only applies to policies that include coverage for self-administered hormonal contraceptives. Includes an exemption for insurance companies that can show the cost of coverage is likely to exceed 1% of annual premiums collected under such policy.</i>
LB30	Wayne	Support	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	03/01/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Limit the amount an insured pays for prescription insulin drugs <i>Limits the total amount that a covered individual is required to pay for a covered prescription insulin drug to a maximum of \$100 per 30-day supply of insulin, regardless of the amount or type of insulin needed to fill the covered individual's prescription.</i>
LB52	Lathrop	Monitor	Judiciary	02/18/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Provide for immunity for injury or death resulting from COVID-19 exposure <i>COVID Liability placeholder bill. No person shall be liable in any civil action for any injury or death resulting from an alleged exposure to COVID-19 if such exposure occurred after the effective date of this act.</i>
LB53	Lathrop	Support	Judiciary	02/18/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Provide immunity for health care providers acting in conformance with the crisis standard of care during a COVID-19 state of emergency <i>Amends the Nebraska Hospital-Medical Liability Act to state (1) A health care provider shall be immune from civil liability resulting from care provided pursuant to the crisis standard of care when: (a) The care is provided during a COVID-19 state of emergency; (b) The care provided is in accordance with the crisis standard of care; and (c) The failure of the care to meet the ordinary standard of care was a direct result of insufficient medical resources caused by the COVID-19 state of emergency.</i> <i>LB53 amended into LB139.</i>
LB67	Day	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/18/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Change provisions relating to school-based health centers under the Medical Assistance Act <i>Changes the definition of a school-based health center, eliminating requirements in order to expand what may qualify.</i>
LB86	Bostelman	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/10/2021	General File 03/02/2021	Require registration for the prescription drug monitoring system <i>Beginning Oct. 1, 2021, each credential holder under the Uniform Credentialing Act and each applicant for a credential shall register with DHHS for the prescription drug monitoring system if the credential holder is, or applicant will be, a dispenser or prescriber. The following credential holders and applicants for a credential are not required to register: a credential holder who is not a dispenser or prescriber; a veterinarian; a credential holder who is on active duty in the armed forces and who does not practice in Nebraska; a credential holder who is retired and who does not treat patients; a credential holder who is a researcher and who does not treat patients; a credential holder who is a faculty member at a college or university and who does not treat patients; and any other credential holder who does not treat patients.</i> <i>Proposed AM212 (Health and Human Services Committee): Includes an emergency clause. Provides the credential holder will provide DHHS with credential number under the Uniform Credentialing Act, federal Drug Enforcement Administration number, and National Provider Identifier, and any other information required by DHHS. Provides the system of registration will include identification of credential by type and identification of clinical specialty.</i>



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LB89	Morfeld	Monitor	Judiciary	01/28/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Allow persons eighteen years of age to make health care decisions and persons under nineteen years of age in correctional facilities to consent to medical and mental health care <i>Adds new exemptions to the law making 19 the age of majority in Nebraska to state: A person 18 or older may make health care decisions for himself or herself without the consent of his or her parent or guardian; and a person less than 19 years old who is committed to the Department of Correctional Services for secure care may consent to and make decisions regarding, such person's medical care, mental health services, and related services during the period of the person's commitment to the department without the consent of such person's parent or guardian. (LB1036 (2020))</i>
LB115	McCollister	Support	Revenue	02/24/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Impose sales tax on candy and soft drinks and provide for distribution of proceeds <i>Distributes the proceeds of the sales tax to the Health Care Cash Fund.</i>
LB120	Hunt	Monitor	Judiciary	02/26/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Prohibit discrimination based upon sexual orientation and gender identity
LB129	McCollister	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/18/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Change provisions relating to eligibility for services under the Medical Assistance Act <i>Allows Medicaid eligibility for children to continue without DHHS review of the child's resources or income for one year or until the child turns 19 or moves out of Nebraska.</i>
LB133	Erdman	Oppose	Revenue	02/03/2021	In Committee 01/11/2021	Adopt the Nebraska EPIC Consumption Tax Act and eliminate certain other taxes <i>Establishes the Nebraska EPIC Consumption Tax Act, where the acronym EPIC stands for the elimination of property, income, and corporate taxes. Repeals such taxes on Dec. 31, 2023. Beginning Jan. 1, 2024, imposes a flat tax on the use or consumption in Nebraska of taxable property or services (including health care) at the rate of 10.64%. No consumption tax shall be imposed on the purchase of fuel or for property or service purchased for a business purpose in a trade or business.</i>
LB160	Wayne	Oppose	Judiciary	02/18/2021	In Committee 01/14/2021	Change provisions of the Nebraska Hospital-Medical Liability Act <i>A health care provider or health care provider's employer, employee, partner, or LLC member shall file with the Director of Insurance proof of financial responsibility, \$5 million dollars (up from \$500,000) for each occurrence. In the case of physicians or certified registered nurse anesthetists and their employers, employees, partners, or LLC members, an aggregate liability amount of \$10 million dollars (up from \$1 million) for all occurrences or claims made in any policy year for each named insured shall be provided. In the case of hospitals and their employees, an aggregate liability amount of \$30 million dollars (up from \$3 million) for all occurrences or claims made in any policy year or risk-loss trust year shall be provided. The total amount recoverable under the Nebraska Hospital-Medical Liability Act from any and all health care providers and the Excess Liability Fund for any occurrence resulting in any injury or death of a patient may not exceed \$10 million (up from \$2.25 million) for any occurrence after Dec. 31, 2021.</i>
LB171	Hansen, M.	Monitor	Business and Labor	02/08/2021	In Committee 01/12/2021	Change provisions of the Employment Security Law relating to weekly benefit amounts and maximum annual amounts <i>Provides an individual's weekly benefit amount can be increased by 5% for each dependent of the individual with a maximum increase of 15%.</i>
LB172	Hansen, M.	Monitor	Business and Labor	03/01/2021	In Committee 01/12/2021	Change provisions relating to benefit payments under the Employment Security Law <i>Increases the amount that eligible individuals are able to receive in wages in a given week of unemployment to ½, rather than ¼ of their weekly unemployment benefit amount.</i>
LB183	Hunt	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/19/2021	In Committee 01/12/2021	Adopt the Sexual Assault Emergency Care Act and provide for discipline against a hospital's license <i>Provides that a hospital which provides emergency care for a sexual assault survivor shall provide the survivor with medically and factually accurate and objective written and oral information on emergency contraception and the ability to receive it, and also requires the hospital to dispense a complete course of emergency contraception, in accordance with best practices and established protocols for sexual assault forensic medical examinations, to the sexual assault survivor who accepts or requests it. Provides for a complaint process for non-compliance through the Department of Health and Human Services.</i>



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<i>Proposed AM163 (Hunt): Removes the provision that allowed DHHS to take disciplinary action against a license issued under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act for violations of the Act.</i>						
<i>Proposed AM491 (Hunt): Changes “emergency contraception” to “drug that prevents pregnancy after sexual intercourse” and clarifies this does not include drugs that disrupt an existing pregnancy.</i>						
LB207	McDonnell	Monitor	Business and Labor	03/01/2021	In Committee 01/12/2021	Change provisions relating to the date when compensation begins under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act <i>Adjusts the scheduled start date for when compensation is allowed for a disability under the Nebraska Worker's Compensation Act. Provides that no compensation may be allowed for the first 3 calendar days, instead of 7; that compensation begins on day 4 rather than 3 for an injury continuing beyond 3 days; and that compensation begins on the date of disability for injuries continuing beyond 2 weeks, rather than 6.</i>
LB211	Murman	Monitor	Health and Human Services	01/27/2021	General File 03/15/2021	Adopt the Reflexologist Registration Act <i>Beginning Oct. 1, 2021, requires registration of reflexologists under the Board of Massage Therapy.</i> <i>Proposed AM562 (Health and Human Services Committee): Replaces the Board of Massage Therapy with the Department of Health and Human Services for supervision and oversight of the reflexologist registry. Lists items the applicant must provide upon initial registration, including business name and contact info, social security number, and criminal convictions. Includes provisions on denial or exclusion from the registry and appeal. Extends the date the registry begins to January 1, 2022. Requires registration to practice reflexology for remuneration on and after January 1, 2021. Requires DHHS have the registry operational by December 15, 2021.</i>
LB213	Briese	Monitor	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	01/28/2021	In Committee 01/13/2021	Provide for an efficiency review of state agencies <i>Requires the Department of Administrative Services to contract for an efficiency review of 191 listed state agencies and provide the results of the review to the Legislative Council no later than Jan. 1, 2023. The efficiency review shall be conducted by an independent source to provide an outside study of such state agencies to make service delivery more cost effective and efficient, identify outdated delivery practices that can be eliminated, identify potential new sources of funding for services other than taxation, and make government more accountable to residents of the state.</i>
LB225	Hilkemann	Monitor	Appropriations	02/24/2021	In Committee 01/13/2021	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services <i>Appropriates \$X to DHHS for rates paid to providers of developmental disability services as determined by the rate study conducted by the DHHS Division of Developmental Disabilities completed in 2018.</i>
LB226	Hilkemann	Oppose	Transportation and Telecommunications	02/01/2021	In Committee 01/13/2021	Change motor vehicle tax exemptions as prescribed under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act <i>Exempts the first \$28,000 of the value (rather than the full value) of a motor vehicle from the motor vehicle tax, for vehicles owned by and used exclusively for agricultural and horticultural societies or by tax-exempt educational, religious, charitable, or cemetery organizations. The exempt value is based on the value of the vehicle when new.</i>
LB243	Bostar	Support	Education	01/26/2021	General File 02/23/2021	Adopt the Access College Early Tech Promise Program Act <i>Would enable the Nebraska Community College Student Performance and Occupational Education Grant Committee to determine “in-demand jobs” and “eligible programs” to incent training and funding. Would allow schools to submit applications for programs to train for “in-demand” jobs; the Commission would approve/deny such applications, students would receive the cost of tuition plus up to \$1500 for educational expenses for the approved programs.</i>



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LB249	Pansing Brooks	Monitor	Business and Labor	01/25/2021	In Committee 01/13/2021	Prohibit employers from inquiring about wage rate history under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act <i>Prohibits an employer from inquiring about the wage rate history of an applicant, except to confirm any wage rate history voluntarily provided by the applicant as part of compensation negotiations. Prohibits an employer from requiring a job applicant to disclose the applicant's wage rate history or conditioning employment or consideration for an interview or employment on applicant disclosing wage rate history. Prohibits an employer from retaliating against a job applicant for not complying with any wage rate history inquiry. Prohibits an employer from relying on wage rate history of a job applicant from any current or former employer in determining the wages for such applicant at any stage in the employment process unless the applicant willingly disclosed his or her wage rate history to the employer.</i>
LB258	Vargas	Monitor	Business and Labor	02/08/2021	Failed to Advance 05/10/2021	Adopt the Healthy and Safe Families and Workplaces Act <i>Provides employees, after 16 days of employment, shall accrue a minimum of 1 hour of paid sick and safe time for every 30 hours worked, which may carry over to subsequent years, but shall not exceed 40 hours in a calendar year, unless the employer selects a higher limit. An employer with a paid leave policy sufficient to meet the accrual requirements under the Act are not required to provide additional paid sick and safe time. The time may be used, after an oral request from the employee, for mental or physical illness, care of a family member with a mental or physical illness, absence necessary due to domestic abuse, domestic or sexual assault, or stalking regardless of whether a charge has been filed or conviction obtained.</i> <i>AM966 (Vargas): Limits the applicability of the Act to employers with more than 50 employees, instead of 4 or more employees.-LOST 5/10/21</i> <i>AM1348 (Vargas): Would have provided the same protections as LB258, but as unpaid leave instead of paid leave.-LOST 5/10/21</i>
LB263	Briese	Oppose	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	02/03/2021	In Committee 01/13/2021	Require occupational boards to issue certain credentials based on credentials or work experience in another jurisdiction <i>Provides an additional method of obtaining an occupational license or government certificate, requiring that the Occupational Board shall issue a license or certification to applicants if certain requirements are met where, the applicant has a license in another state or government certificate, the applicant has work experience in another state or government, the applicant holds a private certification and relevant work experience, all in an occupation of similar scope. In each of these circumstances, the Occupational Board may require the applicant to pass certain occupation specific exams.</i> <i>Proposed AM1936 amends LB263 into LB709.</i>
LB270	Morfeld	Support	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	03/02/2021	In Committee 01/14/2021	Adopt the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Regulation Act and require an audit under the Medical Assistance Act <i>A pharmacist or contracted pharmacy shall not be prohibited from or subject to penalties or removal from a network or plan for sharing information regarding the cost, price, or copayment of a prescription drug with a covered individual. A pharmacy benefit manager shall not prohibit a pharmacist or contracted pharmacy from discussing any such information or selling a more affordable alternative to a covered individual. An insurer that offers a health plan which covers prescription drugs shall not require a covered individual to make a payment for a prescription drug in an amount that exceeds the lesser of the covered individual's copayment, deductible, or coinsurance for such prescription drug or the cash price. A pharmacy benefit manager shall not exclude a pharmacy from participation in its specialty pharmacy network. Any insurer on its own or through its contracted pharmacy benefit manager or representative of a pharmacy benefit manager shall not conduct spread pricing in Nebraska on any drug paid with state or federal funds. Provides a list of qualifications that must be met before a particular drug is placed or continues to be placed on a maximum allowable cost list. The Auditor of Public Accounts shall, prior to Jan. 1, 2022, conduct an audit of the pharmacy benefit of the Medicaid program from 2018-2020. Includes a provision to prevent discrimination to hospitals participating in the 340B drug pricing program.</i>
LB276	Hunt	Monitor	Judiciary	03/12/2021	In Committee 01/14/2021	Eliminate requirement that physician be physically present in same room when an abortion is performed <i>Eliminates requirement that an abortion cannot be performed, induced, or attempted unless the physician who uses or prescribes any instrument, device, medicine, drug, or other substance to perform an abortion is physically present in the same room with the patient when the physician performs, induces, or attempts the abortion.</i>



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LB290	Cavanaugh, M.	Monitor	Business and Labor	02/08/2021	General File 04/13/2021	Adopt the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Act <i>Would allow for paid family medical leave benefits to care for a new child, a family member, or a covered servicemember, for a qualifying exigency leave, or for pregnancy. 12 weeks of leave allowed at 90% if average weekly wage is at or below 50% of the state average weekly wage, or at 50% if the average weekly wage is above 50% of the state average weekly wage, and benefits shall not exceed 66% of the state average weekly wage. Requires covered employers to remit contributions to the Commissioner of Labor. Intermittent leave is allowed under certain conditions and if the employer approves. At the end of the leave employees must be restored to the position held when leave commenced, with equivalent employment benefits, pay, and terms. Protects employees right to request or use such leave. Allows disqualification from leave for false statements to obtain benefits and allows the commission to bring a civil action, offset against future benefits, or place a levy on salary, wages, or payments, for erroneously paid benefits. Requires a report to the Legislature on family and medical leave benefits. Clarifies that such benefits are not considered compensation for certain public employees.</i>
LB301	Hansen, B.	Monitor	Judiciary	02/19/2021	General File 03/12/2021	Change drug schedules and penalties and adopt federal drug provisions under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act <i>Changes provisions related to cannabidiol. Updates federal references. Includes various forms of opioids, fentanyl, MDA, barbituates, and other chemical compositions in the various Schedules under the Controlled Substances Act. Strikes Cannabidiol from Schedule V.</i> <i>Proposed AM498 (Hansen, B.): Removes section 3 which included "any mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of amphetamine" in amphetamine penalty classifications.</i> <i>Proposed AM632 (Judiciary Committee): Strikes section 3 of the bill which would have allowed a person to be prosecuted for possession with intent to deliver for any detectable amount of amphetamine or methamphetamine.</i> <i>LB301 amended into LB236.</i>
LB314	Pahls	Support	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	02/01/2021	In Committee 01/15/2021	Change provisions related to insurance coverage of telehealth <i>Requires payment parity for all telehealth services.</i> <i>NHA Legislation</i>
LB328	Arch	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/19/2021	In Committee 01/15/2021	Change licensure application provisions under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act <i>Requires an application for a license to operate a health care facility or health care service be signed by a single member if the applicant is a corporation instead of the previously required two members.</i>
LB340	Stinner	Monitor	Appropriations	02/25/2021	In Committee 01/15/2021 Appropriations Priority Bill	Create the medicaid nursing facilities program <i>Provides for a separate budgetary program within DHHS for the medicaid nursing facility services program, in which funds allocated to the program are to be used exclusively to reimburse or pay providers of nursing facility services to beneficiaries of the medical assistance program.</i>
LB374	DeBoer	Support	Health and Human Services	01/27/2021	General File 02/01/2022	Adopt the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Support Act <i>Creates a council to examine the needs of individual's living with Alzheimer's and related diseases, the services available, and the ability of health care providers and facilities to meet current and future needs, and to make recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor.</i>



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<i>Proposed AM1504 (Health and Human Services): Makes the council members appointed by the Governor instead of DHHS and changes terms from 2 to 4 years. Removes the office of Legislative Research from staffing the committee.</i>						
<i>LB374 amended into LB752 with AM2103.</i>						
LB375	Kolterman	Support	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	03/02/2021	In Committee 01/15/2021	Adopt the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Regulation and Transparency Act <i>Requires that all pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) doing business in Nebraska obtain certification as a Third Party Administrator under the Third Party Administrator Act, with oversight by the Nebraska Department of Insurance. Violation of these Acts shall be considered unfair trade practices pursuant to the Unfair Insurance Trade Practices Act. Allows the Director to examine the financial condition of the PBM pursuant to the Insurers Examination Act. Requires PBMs to exercise good faith and fair dealing. Prohibits a PBM from overcharging for copayments, excluding specialty pharmacies, disallowing mailed prescriptions, mandating accreditation, require record keeping more stringent than state or federal law requires. Allows a pharmacist to seek corrective action from the Department for mistakes or misleading statements of the PBM, allows a pharmacist to discuss more affordable drug options with the patient. Bars insurers from charging more for a drug than the cash price. Sets parameters for audits of contracted pharmacies. Places limits on maximum allowable cost lists.</i>
LB392	Stinner	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/24/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	Adopt the Prescribing Psychologist Practice Act <i>Provides DHHS will establish criteria for practice guidelines to be included in collaborative practice agreements (agreements between a prescribing psychologist and a licensed physician) and protocols for prescribing medication for special populations. Provides that a licensed psychologist will not have prescriptive authority in NE unless the psychologist has been issued a prescription certificate or provisional prescription certificate and establishes requirements for a licensed psychologist to apply to the DHHS for a provision prescription certificate. Requires the Board of Psychology to develop, in consultation with the advisory committee, a procedure to address any deficiencies in the training of an applicant before the issuance of a provisional prescription certificate. Provides a licensed psychologist holding a provisional prescription certificate will have prescriptive authority subject to supervision. Establishes an expiration period of 2 years after the date of issuance or renewal for prescription certificates. Requires each prescribing psychologist to complete at least 40 hours of professional activities directed at maintaining continuing competency every 24-month period. Requires a prescribing psychologist to maintain ongoing communication with a patient's primary health care practitioner when prescribing psychotropic medication. Provides that a prescribing psychologist may order and interpret laboratory studies and other diagnostic procedures as necessary for some diagnoses. Limits a prescribing psychologist to prescriptions authorized regulations adopted by DHHS. Requires the Board of Psychology to include at least 1 prescribing psychologist beginning no later than 3 years after the effective date of the act.</i>
LB398	Bostelman	Monitor	Transportation and Telecommunications	02/09/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	Change provisions relating to broadband speeds and services <i>Amends the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation Act to redefine "advanced telecommunications capability service" to have a minimum speed of 100x100mbps. For purposes of dark fiber leasing, increases the speeds to 100x100mbps when determining if a location is served or unserved. Redefines "broadband services" as a minimum speed of 100x100mbps for purposes of the Rural Broadband Task Force's review. Amends the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act to allow the Public Service Commission to regulate the "affordability" of eligible telecommunications carrier's telecommunications services, "broadband services" (undefined term), or offerings made by ETCs.</i> <i>Proposed AM339 (Bostelman): AM339 provides that until Jan. 1, 2023, the changes made by this legislative bill shall not be construed to affect, abrogate, or alter any commitments by the Public Service Commission made prior to the effective date of the act to provide ongoing high-cost support from the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund to telecommunications companies. Changes speeds from 100x100 to 100x20.</i> <i>LB398 amended into LB338.</i>



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LB413	Wishart	Support	Health and Human Services	02/05/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	Require coverage of medications for substance use disorder treatment and addiction medicine services under the Medical Assistance Act <i>Requires Medicaid coverage for medications for substance abuse disorder treatment. Substance use disorder treatment shall not be subject to certain limitations, including step-therapy or other similar drug-utilization strategies or policies, when the strategy or policy delays or conflicts or interferes with a prescribed or recommended course of treatment by a licensed physician or other health care provider.</i>
LB416	Cavanaugh, M.	Monitor	Health and Human Services	01/28/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	Require implicit bias training under the Uniform Credentialing Act and provide for duties and funding relating to postpartum care and maternal health <i>-Requires implicit bias training as a prerequisite to the issuance of a credential under the Uniform Credentialing Act, in addition to subsequent annual training. Individuals subject to training include those engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery, advanced practice nursing, alcohol and drug counseling, athletic training, audiology, speech-language pathology, chiropractic, dentistry, dental hygiene, emergency medical services, genetic counseling, hearing instrument dispensing and fitting, massage therapy, medical nutrition therapy, medical radiography, mental health practice, nurse midwifery, nursing, occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathy, perfusion, pharmacy, physical therapy, podiatry, psychology, respiratory care, or surgical assisting.</i> <i>-Directs DHHS, under the Nebraska Perinatal Quality Improvement Program, to develop and provide instruction to certain health professionals regarding health screenings for maternal hypertension, gestational diabetes, and obesity, including information specific to the health of Black women and others of color.</i> <i>-Provides that doula services are eligible for Medicaid reimbursement at rates determined by DHHS.</i> <i>-Requires DHHS to apply to CMS for a waiver by Oct. 1, 2021, for a demonstration project waiver, allowing Nebraska to provide 12 months of postpartum care for women, including lactation support services. Adds Medicaid eligibility for postpartum women for a period of 12 months with a family income equal to or less than 185% of the poverty guideline.</i> <i>-Establishes the Maternal Health Care Cash Fund within DHHS in order to fund programs that promote healthy pregnancy, delivery, and postpartum care and to identify and reduce health care disparities in maternal and postpartum health outcomes. Appropriates \$23 million for fiscal year 2021-2022, or until the waiver application to CMS is approved.</i> <i>-Requires the Women's Health Initiative to create a grant program to fund local organizations that work to improve maternal health outcomes and to reduce or eliminate health disparities.</i>
LB418	Murman	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/10/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	Adopt the Solemn Covenant of the States to Award Prizes for Curing Diseases compact <i>Provides for the entry into a multistate compact to incentivize the development of cures for diseases through substantial financial awards.</i>
LB421	Stinner	Support	Appropriations	02/25/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	State intent regarding appropriations for qualified educational debt under the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act <i>Appropriates \$3 million in FY21-22 and \$3 million in FY22-23 to be used for the repayment of qualified educational debts owed by eligible health professionals as determined pursuant to the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act: a pharmacist, dentist, physical therapist, occupational therapist, mental health practitioner, psychologist, nurse practitioner, PA, or physician in an approved specialty; licensed to practice in Nebraska; not enrolled in a residency program; not practicing under a provisional or temporary license; and practicing in a designated health profession shortage area in Nebraska. Designates \$750,000 of those funds be used for repayment of such debts owed by eligible health professions employed by one of seven community health centers.</i> <i>LB421 amended into LB380.</i>
LB422	Briese		Revenue	02/03/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	Change the sales tax rate and impose sales tax on additional services <i>Makes sales tax applicable to all services (services shall be presumed taxable unless a specific sales tax exemption applies). Service includes all activities that are engaged in for other persons for a consideration and that involve predominantly the performance of a service as distinguished from selling or leasing tangible personal property. The term does not include services rendered by an employee to his or her employer. Provides that beginning Oct. 1, 2022, the sales tax rate be lowered from 5.5% to 5% and that it then be adjusted to provide approximately the same amount of sales tax revenue as would have been generated had the changes to the sales tax rate made by this bill not gone into effect.</i>



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LB425		Support	Health and Human Services	02/03/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to complete a needs assessment and cost analysis for an inpatient adolescent psychiatric unit <i>Requires DHHS to contract within 60 days of the effective date of the act for the completion of a needs assessment and cost analysis for the establishment of an inpatient adolescent psychiatric unit housed within Lincoln Regional Center. Requires DHHS to submit a report to the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature and the Clerk of the Legislature on or before Dec. 15, 2021.</i> LB425 amended into LB428.
LB436	Hansen, B.	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/11/2021	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Speaker Priority Bill	Change provisions of the Athletic Training Practice Act <i>Athletic Training Scope of Practice Update. Provides that the practice of athletic training includes prevention and wellness promotion, examination and assessment, immediate and emergency care, therapeutic intervention or rehabilitation, and health care administration. Provides the Board of Athletic Training will adopt rules and regulations regarding the administration of emergency drugs and dry needling. Provides the scope of practice of athletic trainers does not include the use of joint manipulation, grade V mobilization/manipulation, thrust joint manipulation, high velocity/low amplitude thrust, nor any other procedure intended to result in joint cavitation. Provides that when athletic training is provided in a hospital outpatient department or clinic, an athletic trainer will perform functions with a referral from a licensed physician, osteopathic physician, podiatrist, advanced practice registered nurse, nurse practitioner, physician assistant, dentist, or chiropractor. Provides that athletic trainers will maintain documentation consistent with guidelines established with a licensed physician and specific to the setting in which the trainer is practicing. Provides that applicants for licensure as an athletic trainer who graduated after Jan. 1, 2004, must provide proof of graduation after successful completion of the curriculum requirements of an accredited athletic training education program at an accredited college or university approved by the Board of Athletic Training.</i> <i>AM499 (B. Hansen): Includes dry needling in an athletic trainers scope of practice. Gives rule and regulation making authority to the Department, instead of the board. Removes referral from APRNs, retains nurse practitioner referral. Requires the athletic trainer to ensure all documentation, not just medical documentation, is complete, accurate, and timely. Returns language requiring authorization to perform "functions" instead of "physical modalities." Rewords accreditation requirement. -ADOPTED 3/1/2022</i> <i>AM2157 (B. Hansen): Makes technical corrections to the definition of "therapeutic modalities" and reinserts the statement allowing "the application of heat, cold, air, water, or exercise." – ADOPTED 3/8/22</i>
LB437	Hansen, B.		Health and Human Services	01/28/2021	General File 03/15/2021	Change provisions relating to public assistance and medicaid fraud <i>Provides the state Medicaid fraud control unit may review and act on complaints of abuse and neglect of any patients or residents at health care facilities and of patients who receive medical assistance under the medical assistance program in a noninstitutional or any other setting. Provides that if the aggregate value of all funds or other benefits or attempted to be obtained illegally is \$500 or less, the person will be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor. Provides that if such aggregate value is more than \$500 but less than \$1,500, the person will be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor. Provides that if the aggregate value of all funds and other benefits obtained or attempted to be obtained illegally is \$5,000 or more, the person will be guilty of a Class IIA felony.</i> <i>Proposed AM538 (Hansen, B.): Creates separate offenses and punishments for recipients and for vendors or providers of public assistance or social services. For vendors or providers of medical assistance or social services, who make willfully false statements or obtain assistance benefits by fraud, or violates any statute relating to assistance to the aged, blind or disabled, ADC, social services, or medical assistance such offense shall be punished by a Class II misdemeanor if the aggregate value of all funds or benefits is \$500 or less. If such aggregate value is more than \$500 but less than \$1,500, the vendor or provider will be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor. If the aggregate value of all fund is \$1,500 - \$5,000 the vendor or provider will be guilty of a Class IV felony. If the aggregate value of all fund is \$5,000 or more the vendor or provider will be guilty of a Class IIA felony.</i>



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<p><i>For recipients of medical assistance or social services who make willfully false statements or obtain assistance benefits by fraud shall be punished by a Class IV misdemeanor if the aggregate value of all funds or benefits is \$500 or less. If such aggregate value is more than \$500 but less than \$1,500 the person shall be convicted of a Class III misdemeanor. If the aggregate value is \$1,500 or more the person shall be guilty of a Class IV felony.</i></p> <p><i>Proposed AM665 (Health and Human Services Committee): Same as AM538, introduced as the committee amendment.</i></p>						
LB441	Hansen, M.		Business and Labor	03/01/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	<p>Change provisions relating to compensation for individuals affected by COVID-19 under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act</p> <p><i>Allows essential workers to retroactively collect workers compensation for time missed at work if they had COVID, if COVID is listed as the cause of death, or if they are quarantined at the direction of the employer for suspected COVID exposure or display of symptoms, under certain circumstances. Allows employers to rebut by affirmatively proving the employee contracted COVID outside the workplace. Removes the waiting limit to receive workers compensation payments, and allows coverage from the first date of quarantine, a positive test, or date of confirmed diagnoses, continuing through the self quarantine period preventing return to employment. Allows notice to be given the employer up to two years after the effective date of the act.</i></p> <p><i>Defines essential workers to specifically include: ambulance services, medical facility, emergency response service, assisted-living facility, hospice, hospital, home health agency, adult day service, ambulatory surgical center, health care workers enumerated, peace officer, firefighter, emergency rescue, emergency management, on-call member of a life support agency, state or local government, YRTC employees, regional center employees, meatpacking employees, public or private school employees, public works, utilities, or garbage disposal employees, truck drivers, mortuary or funeral home, childcare employees, postal service employees, or any other individual employed by an essential or life-sustaining business or occupation.</i></p>
LB447	Cavanaugh, M.	Support	Health and Human Services	02/04/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	<p>Change provisions relating to immunization under the Child Care Licensing Act</p> <p><i>Removes the immunization exemption to childhood vaccination requirements for children enrolled in child care programs where a parent does not wish to have such child immunized. Retains the medical exemption certification by a physician or nurse practitioner for a stated medical reason.</i></p>
LB456	Friesen	Monitor	Transportation and Telecommunications	02/08/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	<p>Adopt the Nebraska Enhancing Broadband Act</p> <p><i>Creates a \$10 million/year grant and loan program within the Department of Economic Development for development costs of broadband network projects in unserved and underserved areas. Similar to LB388 (Friesen) except directs the funding through the DED instead of the Public Service Commission. Allows a provider, a cooperative, a political subdivision, or a tribe to apply to the DED for a grant, a loan, or combination to develop a qualifying project with speeds scalable to 100x100 mbps. Applications would open October 1, 2021. Matching funds required, 50% of a grant or 25% of a loan. Projects must be complete within 18 months, with a 6 month extension possible, or the grant or loan must be repaid. Accepting funds submits the project to speed tests with repayment of the grant or loan for failing the speed test. Creates priorities for funding: 1st priority, unserved area that has not received public assistance for broadband network development; 2nd priority, unserved area that has received federal support that won't be complete within 24 months and the commission determines a grant will accelerate network deployment; and 3rd priority is a project in an underserved area with a broadband and digital inclusion plan. Provides procedures for application and challenges to applications.</i></p> <p><i>LB456 amended into LB388.</i></p>
LB462	Dorn	Support	Appropriations	02/25/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	<p>Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services</p> <p><i>Provides for a 3% increase in appropriations for behavioral health services for fiscal year 2021-2022; provides for a 3% increase in appropriations for fiscal year 2022-2023 to DHHS to Program 348 (Medical Assistance) and Program 349 (Medicaid Expansion).</i></p>
LB463	Arch	Support	Business and Labor	02/01/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	<p>Change provisions relating to physical examinations of injured employees under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act</p> <p><i>Amends the Worker's Compensation Act to allow the employee's physician to attend their examination(s) either in person or remotely.</i></p>



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LB464	Bostar	Support	Appropriations	02/24/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	State intent regarding behavioral health aid funding <i>Makes adjustments to appropriations for Program 38 (Behavioral Health Aid); allows for movement of funds across line-items or emerging needs, between behavioral regions in order to provide activities in alignment with regional annual budgets and demonstrated need.</i>
LB474	Wishart	Monitor	Judiciary	03/10/2021	General File 03/31/2021	Adopt the Medicinal Cannabis Act <i>-Creates a regulatory regime for medical cannabis including provisions for a patient registry, caregivers, health care practitioners, producers and processors, registered dispensaries, and testing laboratories. Creates the Cannabis Enforcement Department and the Medical Cannabis Board. Allows certified patients to use or purchase cannabis from a lab or dispensary registered under the act, with documentation required.</i> <i>-Allows, but does not require, physicians, osteopathic physicians, and nurse practitioners to certify patients in the registry, limited to 1,100 certifications in a year or 275 in a 90-day period.</i> <i>-States the act does not permit anyone to engage in, and allows civil, criminal, or other penalties for: negligence or professional malpractice due to the use of cannabis; possessing or using cannabis on a school bus or van, on school grounds, in a correctional facility or YRTC, or on the grounds of a child care facility or home daycare; inhaling vaporized cannabis on public transportation, around a child, in public (including outdoors), in a motor vehicle, having cannabis in the passenger area of a limo or party bus, or controlling any motor vehicle, aircraft, train, or motorboat or working on vehicles while under the influence of cannabis.</i> <i>-States the act does not require an employer to permit or accommodate cannabis in any way, employers can restrict the use of cannabis by employees, employers do not have to accommodate medicinal cannabis use. Does not require Medicaid or private insurance to cover medicinal cannabis costs.</i> <i>-States the act does not bar employers from prohibiting the use of cannabis, the act does not allow employees a cause of action for wrongful discharge or discrimination under the act, the act does not prohibit anyone from prohibiting cannabis products on their property, and the act does not prohibit an employer from having and enforcing a drug testing policy, a drug free workplace, or zero tolerance drug policies.</i> <i>-Bars employees who are fired for cannabis-related misconduct from receiving unemployment benefits.</i> <i>-Allows, but does not require, health care facilities, child care facilities, schools, or foster care facilities to adopt reasonable restrictions on the use of cannabis by students, residents, or persons receiving care, can be more restrictive if allowing access to cannabis causes the facility to lose money or a license under federal law.</i> <i>-Provides immunity from arrest, prosecution, or penalty (including by occupational licensing boards) for: providing or selling cannabis to a patient, dispensary, producer, processor, or laboratory; being in the presence of permitted cannabis use; allowing property to be used for permitted activities; or helping a patient administer cannabis.</i> <i>-Lists numerous qualifications for certifying patients. Lists numerous prohibitions on health care practitioners certifying patients. Allows pharmacists to dispense cannabis. Provides for continuing education requirements for health practitioners.</i> <i>-Directs the Cannabis Enforcement Department to provide for up to 10 cannabis producers in each congressional district to direct delivery of cannabis from dispensaries to patients, and to provide discount cannabis provisions. Producers may also be registered as a processor. Processors must comply with local regulations. Producers must test for quality, may not transport cannabis outside Nebraska.</i> <i>-Prohibits smoking cannabis by certified patients. Prohibits discrimination of a cannabis patient in school, housing, medical care, parental rights, or gun ownership.</i> <i>-Penalizes false statements relating to medical cannabis certification to avoid arrest as a Class III misdemeanor and disqualification from the program. Includes fines for violations of the act.</i> <i>Proposed AM824 (Judiciary Committee): Makes two changes to the original bill. Replaces the definition of “qualifying medical condition” to specifically include a current diagnosis of 17 different specific conditions. Changes the continuing medical education requirements, allows the Medicinal Cannabis Board to require further CME course requirements for health care practitioners recommending cannabis to at least 25 patients. Before CME courses are approved by the Medicinal Cannabis Board, a health care practitioner who recommends cannabis to patients can complete at least 8 hours of continuing education approved by another state, subject to approval by the board.</i> <i>Proposed AM1364 (Flood): Replaces the definitions of “dispensary” and “qualifying medical condition”, requires a dispensary be operated by the Nebraska State Patrol to acquire, possess, or dispense cannabis, lists 17 qualifying medical conditions, and sets out requirements for the dispensary. Would require health care practitioners to complete at least 8 hours of continuing medical education approved by the Medicinal Cannabis Board before issuing a cannabis certification to a patient.</i> <i>Proposed AM1429 (Hansen, B.): Would add autism and remove PTSD from the list of qualifying medical conditions. Criminalizes patients smoking cannabis. Would include cannabis as a prescription drug in the prescription drug monitoring program. Includes provider education requirements, and a requirement to check the PDMP prior to recommending cannabis. Limits the number of dispensaries the state can register. Removes PTSD from the study conducted by the Medicinal Cannabis Board.</i>



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<i>Proposed FA48 (Lowe): Strike the enacting clause.</i>						
LB480	McKinney	Monitor	Business and Labor	03/01/2021	In Committee 01/20/2021	Change the minimum wage as prescribed <i>Creates a graduated Increase in the minimum wage from \$9 per hour to \$10 in 2022, increasing \$1 per year to \$20 per hour in 2032. Establishes an adjusted hourly rate beginning in 2033 to be determined annually by the Commissioner of Labor and at least equal to inflation per the CPI.</i>
LB493	Cavanaugh, M.	Monitor	Appropriations	02/24/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services <i>Appropriates from the General Fund \$17 million for FY2021-22 and \$17 million for FY2022-23 to DHHS for Program 424, Developmental Disability Aid, to fund all persons on the wait list for the developmental disability services waiver.</i>
<i>LB493 amended into LB380.</i>						
LB494	Cavanaugh, M.	Oppose	Health and Human Services	02/19/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Direct the Department of Health and Human Services to apply for grants to establish and maintain a health care insurance claims and payment information data base <i>Requires DHHS to apply to the U.S. Department of HHS for state grants under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, for establishing and maintaining a database to publish claims and payment information from health insurers. Once funds are obtained, requires DHHS, in conjunction with UNMC College of Public Health to plan, establish, and maintain a data base of claims and payment information from health insurers, to be accessible from DHHS' website. Provides for certain uses of the data base to include tracking health care utilization, quality, and cost; monitoring initiatives for health care improvement; analyzing geographic trends health care; supporting quality improvement; and promoting accountability for state Medicaid contracts.</i>
LB519	Morfeld	Support	Judiciary	02/05/2021	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Morfeld Priority Bill	Provide immunity from arrest and prosecution for certain drug and alcohol offenses for witnesses and victims of sexual assaults <i>Provides a person shall not be arrested or prosecuted for an eligible alcohol or drug offense if such person witnessed or was the victim of a sexual assault, such person reported, in good faith, such sexual assault to law enforcement, or requested emergency medical assistance for the victim of the sexual assault, and evidence supporting the arrest or prosecution was obtained or discovered as a result of such person reporting such crime of violence to law enforcement or requesting emergency medical assistance. Provides that a person shall not be arrested or prosecuted for an eligible alcohol or drug offense if evidence supporting the arrest or prosecution of the person for the offense was obtained or discovered because of the investigation or prosecution of a sexual assault and such person cooperates with law enforcement in the investigation or prosecution of the sexual assault. Provides that court may waive the requirement that notice of the filing of a petition to change one's name be published in a newspaper for good cause shown by the petitioner, including, but not limited to, that such notice could endanger the petitioner.</i> <i>AM1781 (Judiciary): Narrows the authority of a court to waive the notice requirement for name change petitions. Allows the court to waive notice if the petitioner demonstrates that the notice would endanger the petitioner. -ADOPTED 3/9/22</i> <i>AM2311 (Lathrop): Amends term "crime of violence" to read "sexual assault." -ADOPTED 3/23/22</i>
LB554	Blood	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/17/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Adopt the Licensed Professional Counselors Interstate Compact <i>LB554 amended into LB752 with AM1918.</i>



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LB581	Hansen, B.	Oppose	Transportation and Telecommunications	02/02/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Change motorcycle, moped, and autocycle helmet provisions <i>Makes persons above the age of 21 exempt from having to wear a helmet on a motorcycle. Requires all motorcycle operators to wear eye protection.</i>
LB585	Vargas	Monitor	Appropriations	02/25/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Appropriate funds for local public health departments <i>Appropriates \$5 million from the General Fund for FY2021-22 for local public health departments, in which \$75,000 is for critical health services in each of the 18 public health departments and \$3,650,000 is for proportional health services aid distributed proportionately based on population.</i> <i>LB585 amended into LB380.</i>
LB626	Vargas	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/19/2021	General File 03/30/2021	Change provisions of the Child and Maternal Death Review Act <i>Splits up the team into two separate teams, a Child Death Review Team and a Maternal Death Review Team. Includes the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare and a child protective services staff member. Provides membership detail for core members on both teams and optional members (including county attorneys), and duties for each team.</i> <i>Proposed AM642 (Health and Human Services Committee): Includes the original bill. Clarifies that chairpersons shall be selected by each team annually from among the members. Clarifies that the Inspector General of Child Welfare and senior staff members with child protective services shall be permanent members of the child death review team and the DHHS physician shall be a permanent member of the maternal death review team. All other members serve 4 year terms. Clarifies that each team submits an annual report to the Legislature. Strikes the 15 member maximum for each team and suggests occupations to consider for appointments to the maternal death review team, including obstetrics, maternal-fetal medicine, public health, community birth workers, community advocates, and anesthesiology.</i> <i>LB626 amended into LB741 (AM1683).</i>
LB637	Vargas	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/19/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Change provisions relating to the control of contagious or infectious disease <i>Frees local health departments from having to seek state approval for directed health measures or rules and regulations to protect public health. The measure would allow the departments to impose mask mandates and strict limits on social gatherings, among other potential steps. (OWH Summary)</i>
LB643	Hansen, B.	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/04/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Protect an individual liberty right to accept or decline a vaccination under a mandatory directive <i>Provides that each citizen of Nebraska, of parents with respect to their dependents and of each businesses with respect to its employees has the right to accept or decline a mandatory vaccination directive by the state government.</i>
LB659	McDonnell	Support	Executive Board	02/18/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Create the Workforce Development Committee of the Legislature <i>Establishes the Workforce Development Committee of the Legislature to consist of nine members of the Legislature to collect and analyze workforce data about NE, including data on demographics, workforce, education, wages, challenges, trends, and needs, identify long-term workforce issues significant to the state, set goals and benchmarks, and issue an annual report of its findings and recommendations to the Clerk of the Legislature on or before Dec. 15th.</i>



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LB661	McDonnell	Support	Judiciary	02/24/2021	General File 03/16/2021 Speaker Priority Bill	Prohibit assault on a public transportation driver and clarify provisions relating to assault on officers, emergency responders, certain employees, and health care professionals <i>Expands 28-929 (assault on an officer, etc.) to include those on public transportation drivers, and streamlines the definition of existing prohibited assaults to include those on public safety officers and health care professionals; defines public transportation driver to include the driver or operator of a vehicle providing public transportation that is under the jurisdiction of or operated by a municipality, county, transit authority, regional metropolitan transit authority, or other political subdivision but not taxi drivers or others employed by a private entity. Repeals 28-931.01, which separately establishes that assaulting an officer, emergency responder, state correctional or DHHS employee or health care professional by using a motor vehicle when they injure such individuals is a Class IIIA felony, and would be duplicative under this bill.</i> <i>AM612 (Judiciary Committee): Technical correction, changes the word "tax" to "taxi." -ADOPTED 3/14/22</i> <i>Proposed AM2772 (McKinney): Would allow for a new trial for newly discovered evidence from a codefendant witness who previously had a privilege that led to a refusal to testify and who was charged or tried in a separate trial. Does not apply when a class I, IA, or IB felony is at issue. Adds in LB28 (Wayne): Provide for motions for new trial based on newly discovered evidence. -NOT GERMANE, FAILED 4/8/22</i>
LB667	Halloran		Business and Labor	03/01/2021	In Committee 01/22/2021	Provide for confidentiality of and access to certain injury reports under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act <i>Provides a report of an injury arising out of and in the course of employment filed with the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court is confidential and not open to public inspection or copying for a period of 60 days from the date of filing, except as otherwise provided or as necessary for the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court to administer and enforce other provisions of the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act.</i>
LB697	Kolterman	Support	Health and Human Services	01/20/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022	Provide for licensure of rural emergency hospital services <i>Allows a rural hospital licensed as a critical access hospital or as a general hospital with not more than 50 beds to become licensed as a rural emergency hospital to be eligible for federal reimbursement. A rural emergency hospital must be maintained 24 hours per day and 7 days per week with a physician, nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist, or physician assistant, and must have a transfer agreement in effect. Requires DHHS to establish minimum standards for a rural emergency hospital. Requires health insurance to provide benefits for services of a rural emergency hospital as for a general hospital.</i> <i>AM1613 (Health and Human Services): Allows rural emergency hospitals to have transfer agreements with facilities other than a level one or level two trauma center. -ADOPTED 3/8/22</i> <i>FA94 (M. Cavanaugh): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. -WITHDRAWN</i> <i>*NHA Legislation</i>
LB698	Kolterman	Support	Health and Human Services	02/10/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Speaker Priority Bill	Require coverage of continuous glucose monitoring devices under the Medical Assistance Act <i>Requires DHHS to provide medicaid coverage for continuous glucose monitors no later than Jan. 1, 2023.</i> <i>AM2748 (M. Cavanaugh): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. Adds the word "monitoring" before "device." -WITHDRAWN 4/12/22</i>



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LB699	Kolterman	Monitor	Appropriations	02/16/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for grants to improve technology infrastructure
<i>Appropriates \$100 million from ARPA to DED to award grants to for-profit businesses for projects to improve their technology infrastructure in Nebraska. Nebraska Chamber Legislation.</i>						
LB709	McCollister	Oppose bill amended into this bill	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	02/03/2022	General File 03/02/2022 McCollister Priority Bill	Change requirements relating to preliminary applications under the Occupational Board Reform Act

Directs occupational boards in determining an applicant's criminal history. Requires clear and convincing evidence for any adverse determinations made by an occupational board. Lists judicial determinations an applicant is not required to disclose. Requires an occupational board to waive the application fee if the applicant's income is 300% of the federal poverty level or below.

Proposed AM1936 (Government, Military and Veterans Affairs): Amends LB709 to clarify federal preemption. Allows for applicants with criminal convictions to present mitigating evidence of rehabilitation. Requires boards list disqualifying felony offenses in statutes governing the occupation. An individual would not be required to disclose and a board could not base a determination under this section on the following: a deferred adjudication, participation in diversion, an arrest not followed by a conviction, a conviction which no sentence of incarceration is authorized, a sealed annulled dismissed expunged or pardoned conviction, a juvenile adjudication, a nonviolent misdemeanor, a conviction older than three years where the individual was not incarcerated, a conviction where an individual's incarceration ended more than three years before the date of application for a felony related to a sexual act, fraud, assault, robbery, child abuse, arson, theft, kidnapping, manslaughter, or murder. Allows applicants an informal meeting to defend their character with witnesses. Allows application fees be waived if applicant's income is at or below 300% FPL.

Adds provisions of two other bills:

LB263 (Briese) Require occupational boards to issue certain credentials based on credentials or work experience in another jurisdiction – amended to remove the State Electrical Board, does not apply to the Supreme Court, Nebraska Crime Commission, Accountants, viatical settlement brokers, insurance consultants or providers, managing general agents, utilization review agents, surplus lines producers, reinsurance managers and brokers, or public adjusters. Provides for applicants from other states where no license, certificate, or military specialty regulates their occupation. Requires applicants to have worked in the prior state for 2 years and hold a private certification. Defers to federal regulatory requirements.

LB1153 (McCollister) Change the number of members and qualifications for certain members of the State Electrical Board – amended to change a current at-large position to a second journeyman electrician and an electrical contractor or master electrician spot filled by a labor union affiliate. Requires one of two journeymen to be affiliated with a labor union. Maintains current board membership, becomes effective after current terms.

AM2171 (Brewer): Requires journeyman electricians on the State Electrical Board to be selected from a list recommended by a statewide electrical organization. Changes reciprocal licensing for electricians. -WITHDRAWN 4/8/22

AM2521 (Flood): Exempts any occupation regulated by the Board of Engineers and Architects or the State Real Estate Commission. -WITHDRAWN 4/8/22

AM2248 (Hilkemann): Exempts from the automatic reciprocity provision “a credential issued by an occupational board under the Uniform Credentialing Act which issues credentials based on reciprocity.” -LOST 4/8/22

AM2707 (McCollister): Technical corrections and clean up language. Requires the journeyman electrician on the State Electrical Board be selected from a list recommended by an the labor union. For the military occupation reciprocity, clarifies eligibility, and limits the jurisprudential training to no more than ten clock hours. No longer limited to “felony” convictions, applies to any conviction specified under the act. Requires occupational boards to adopt rules and regulations no later than January 1, 2024 and provide to the Legislative committee of jurisdiction. Applicants are not required to disclose a conviction older than 5 years, up from 3 years in the original bill. Excludes the Department of Banking and Finance, the Board of Engineers and Architects, and the State Real Estate Commission. -WITHDRAWN 4/8/22



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<i>Proposed AM2675 (Flood): Excludes occupations regulated by the Board of Engineering and Architects, Department of Banking and Finance, or the Real Estate Commission.</i>						
<i>Proposed AM2787 (Government, Military and Veterans Affairs): Divided AM1936. Contains provisions of LB263 and LB1153 changing membership of the State Electrical Board to include a union member journeyman electrician. Requires reciprocity for the board and changes the Occupational Board Reform Act for military occupational specialties. Excludes the Supreme Court, Nebraska Crime Commission, Accountants, viatical settlement brokers, insurance consultants or providers, managing general agents, utilization review agents, surplus lines producers, reinsurance managers and brokers, or public adjusters.</i>						
<i>Proposed AM2786 (Government, Military and Veterans Affairs): Divided AM1936. Allows applicants with criminal convictions to submit evidence of current circumstances, mitigating factors, and evidence of rehabilitation. If denied allows for appeals. Requires an occupational board to list reasons for denial in accordance with statutory guidelines. Allows for a waiver of application fees for low income applicants.</i>						
<i>AM2791 (Flood): Further removes Board of Engineers and Architects and the State Real Estate Commission. -ADOPTED 4/8/2022</i>						
<i>Proposed AM2792 (Flood): Further removes Board of Engineers and Architects and the State Real Estate Commission.</i>						
LB715	Hunt	Monitor	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	03/01/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Eliminate the prohibition regarding publicly funded insurance coverage for abortion and repeal the Mandate Opt-Out and Insurance Coverage Clarification Act <i>Repeals statutes limiting coverage for abortion including the prohibition on group insurance contracts or health maintenance agreements providing hospitalization, medical, surgical, accident, sickness, or other health coverage paid for in whole or part with public funds. Repeals statutes disallowing participation in health insurance exchanges in the State of Nebraska for qualified health insurance plans that cover abortions and provisions limiting the coverage of abortion to elective coverage in all health insurance plans, contracts, or policies delivered or issued for delivery in the State of Nebraska.</i>
LB716	Hunt	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/24/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Allow qualified practitioners to perform abortions <i>Changes language relating to abortion from "physician" to "qualified practitioner" which is defined to be a physician, including an osteopathic physician, an advanced practice registered nurse, a certified nurse midwife, or a physician assistant.</i>
LB718	Morfeld	Monitor	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	02/28/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Provide requirements for cost-sharing and coverage relating to health care benefits and pharmacy benefit managers <i>When calculating an enrollee's contribution to any applicable cost-sharing requirement, a health carrier or pharmacy benefit manager shall include any cost-sharing amounts paid by the enrollee or on behalf of the enrollee by another person.</i>
LB719	Morfeld	Oppose	Business and Labor	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Change provisions under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act relating to physicians, compensation, and benefits and require cost-of-living adjustments and payment for interpreter services <i>Increases the percentage of wages and benefits payable under the Act. For wages paid for longer than 12 months, benefits shall be increased at the end of each 12-month period multiplied by COLA. Adds provisions related to interpreters.</i>
LB721	Hilkemann	Support	Appropriations	02/17/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Appropriate funds for the University of Nebraska Medical Center Rural Health Complex <i>-Appropriates \$60 million from ARPA to the University of Nebraska for the establishment of a facility for the University of Nebraska Medical Center Rural Health Complex on the campus of the University of Nebraska at Kearney. Requires the University to provide \$25 million in matching funds from private or other sources for the facility. -Appropriates \$X from the General Fund to the University of Nebraska for the academic programs and operating budget of the UNMC Rural Health Complex at UNK.</i> <i>LB721 amended into LB792 (AM2430).</i>



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LB734	Cavanaugh, J.	Monitor	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	01/20/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Provide a contribution limit for candidate committees under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act <i>Limits the amount a person can contribute to a candidate to \$5,000 during the calendar year of an election, except that a candidate may exceed the limit when contributing personal funds to their own candidate committee.</i>
LB737	Bostar	Support	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Adopt the Primary Care Investment Act <i>Creates the Primary Care Investment Council whose purpose is to develop an appropriate definition for primary care investment; measure the current level of primary care investment, as a part of overall health care spending, by public and private payors in Nebraska; conduct a comparison of spending on primary care services and health outcomes in Nebraska with surrounding states and nationally; develop an appropriate target level of primary care investment by public and private payors in Nebraska; recommend strategies to achieve the target level of primary care investment through alternative payment models; identify the public health benefits and estimated cost savings that would result from meeting the target level of primary care investment through alternative payment models; and identify solutions to barriers for Nebraska residents from accessing primary care and for health payors and medical providers from investing in primary care.</i> <i>LB737 amended into LB863 (AM1913).</i>
LB739	Bostar	Support	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	01/25/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Change provisions relating to insurance coverage of colorectal cancer screenings <i>Reduces the age from 50 to 45 for required insurance coverage for screening coverage for a colorectal cancer exam and lab tests for any nonsymptomatic person.</i> <i>LB739 amended into LB863 (AM1913).</i>
LB741	DeBoer	Support	Health and Human Services	01/19/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Vargas Priority Bill	Adopt the Domestic Abuse Death Review Act, change provisions of and provide for review of stillbirths under the Child and Maternal Death Review Act, change provisions regarding adoption, and provide for cytomegalovirus public education and prevention <i>Includes stillbirths in the cases reviewed by the Child and Maternal Death Review teams. Sets forth new criteria regarding the study of stillbirths in Nebraska.</i> <i>AM1683 (Health and Human Services): Incorporates the provision of LB626, as amended, to separate the State Child and Maternal Death Review Teams into (1) the State Child Death Review Team and (2) the State Maternal Death Review Team. Provides for the membership of each team (including an allowance for a county attorney, FBI agent, social worker, hospital representatives, and physicians) and requires DHHS to provide a team data abstractor for the teams. Each team would submit an annual report to the Legislature. Amends the definition of stillbirth to mean a spontaneous fetal death which (a) occurs at or after the twentieth week of gestation and before birth and (b) resulted in a fetal death certificate pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. 71-606. Provides that the Act shall not be interpreted to require review of any stillbirth death. - ADOPTED 3/2/22.</i> <i>AM2163 (DeBoer): Removes from the definition of "stillbirth" death occurring at or after the twentieth week of gestation and before birth. -ADOPTED 3/23/22</i> <i>AM2177 (Brandt): Amends in LB1009 to create the Domestic Abuse Death Review Act. *WFO Legislation -WITHDRAWN 3/23/22</i> <i>AM2309 (Brandt): Amends in LB1009, no longer a white copy replacing the bill. -ADOPTED 3/23/22</i> <i>AM2402 (Pansing Brooks): Adds LB901 to provide for cytomegalovirus public education and prevention. -ADOPTED 3/23/22</i>



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<i>AM2358 (DeBoer): Adds LB245 to make changes related to adoption. Incorporates and defines all categories of fathers identified by the Supreme Court in case law and increases the time period for a putative father to file an objection to an adoption. Clarifies court jurisdiction for adoptions, streamlines the process of adoptions, and removes unnecessary provisions. -ADOPTED 3/23/22</i>						
<i>LB245 (AM2358), LB626 (AM1683), LB901 (AM2402), LB1009 (AM2309) amended into LB741.</i>						
LB751	Arch	Monitor	Appropriations	01/27/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Change a funding limitation for the Economic Opportunity Program <i>Eliminates the \$20 million cap on the program.</i>
LB752	Arch	Support	Health and Human Services	02/02/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Health and Human Services Priority Bill	Adopt the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Support Act, the Licensed Professional Counselors Interstate Compact, and the Occupational Therapy Practice Interstate Compact, require notifications regarding stem cell therapy, and redefine respiratory care under the Respiratory Care Practice Act <i>Changes the scope of practice for respiratory therapists, who are currently in the midst of their 407 credential review with DHHS. Likely a placeholder bill that could be amended.</i>
<i>AM1918 (Health and Human Services): Amends in LB554 (Blood) adopting the Licensed Professional Counselors Interstate Compact; LB753 (Arch) Require health care practitioners to provide notification regarding stem cell therapy; and LB15 (Blood) Adopt the Occupational Therapy Practice Interstate Compact. -ADOPTED 3/3/22.</i>						
<i>AM2103 (DeBoer): Amends in LB374 the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Support Act. -ADOPTED 3/3/22.</i>						
<i>AM2302 (Arch): Includes audiologists, speech-language pathologists, licensed independent mental health practitioners, and occupational therapists or assistants in the Interstate Compact provisions. -ADOPTED 3/28/22</i>						
<i>LB753 (AM1918), LB554 (AM1918), LB15 (AM1918) and LB374 (AM2103) amended into LB752.</i>						
LB753	Arch	Monitor	Health and Human Services	01/21/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Require health care practitioners to provide notification regarding stem cell therapy <i>Requires any health care practitioner who performs stem-cell-based therapy to communicate, by informed written consent, to any patient seeking such therapy that it is not FDA-approved. Does not apply to a health care practitioner using stem-cell-based therapy for which approval is obtained from FDA for an investigational new drug or device for use of human cells, tissues, or cellular or tissue-based products. Requires DHHS to provide enforcement.</i>
<i>LB753 amended into LB752 (AM1918).</i>						
LB760	Dorn	Support	Appropriations	02/23/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for grants to licensed emergency medical services programs <i>Appropriates \$5 million from ARPA to DHHS for Program 33 (EMS) to provide grants to licensed EMS programs for the one-time purchase of equipment, including, but not limited to, ambulances, power cots, defibrillators, and other similar lifesaving equipment. Provides intent that priority in awarding grants be given to volunteer, rural-based, high-needs EMS programs and that DHHS consult with a statewide organization dedicated to supporting providers of prehospital emergency medical care in Nebraska (NEMSA).</i>



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						<i>LB760 amended into LB1014 (AM2330).</i>
LB762	Dorn	Support	Appropriations	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for behavioral health services <i>Increases the medicaid provider rates for behavioral health services by 10%.</i>
						<i>LB762 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>
LB766	Kolterman	Support	Appropriations	02/17/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the University of Nebraska for pancreatic cancer research <i>Appropriates \$15 million from ARPA to the University of Nebraska for pancreatic cancer research. Requires the University to provide \$15 million in matching funds from private or other sources for the research.</i>
						<i>LB766 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>
LB767	Kolterman	Support	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	01/24/2022	Approved by Governor 03/16/2022 Kolterman Priority Bill	Adopt the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Licensure and Regulation Act <i>Requires pharmacy benefit managers to be licensed by the Department of Insurance, pay an application fee not to exceed \$500 and an annual renewal fee not to exceed \$250. Allows the director to refuse a license if the applicant is not competent, trustworthy, financially responsible, or of good personal and business reputation or has violated insurance laws or had an insurance authority or license denied or revoked in any jurisdiction. Bars PBMs from a contract with a pharmacy that prohibits or penalizes a pharmacist from disclosing to patients information about treatment, risks, alternatives, the decision of a utilization review to deny a service, financial incentives used by the health carrier, costs of the drug or if more affordable alternatives are available, or limit disclosures to the state. Bars PBMs from charging more than the cash price of a drug. Sets limits and parameters for auditing entities conducting pharmacy audits. Sets requirements for a PBM's cost price lists. Bars PBM's from discriminating against 340B entities. Requires PBMs to include a specialty pharmacy that meets accreditation and contract terms.</i> <i>Proposed AM1643 (Banking, Commerce and Insurance): Provides that section 9 applies to "340B contract pharmacies" as well as to 340B entities. The amendments would define "340B contract pharmacy" as a pharmacy under contract with a 340B entity to dispense drugs on behalf of such 340B entity. Redefines "340B entity" as an entity participating in the federal 340B drug discount program, as described in 42 U.S.C. 256b. (Contains drafting area: 304B.) -ADOPTED 2-1-22</i> <i>Proposed AM1753 (Kolterman): Makes a technical correction to name the correct Act. -ADOPTED 2-14-22</i>
LB772	Day	Monitor	Judiciary	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Prohibit certain providers of health care and medical services from taking certain debt collection actions against victims of sexual assault, domestic assault, and child abuse <i>A health care provider, emergency medical services provider, laboratory, or pharmacy providing medical services, transportation, medications, or other services related to the examination or treatment of injuries arising out of sexual assault, domestic assault, or child abuse shall not: refer a bill for such services to a collection agency or attorney for collection against the victim or the victim's guardian or family. This shall not be construed to prevent an entity from otherwise seeking payment for such services from the victim or any other source.</i> <i>*WFO Legislation</i>



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LB781	Slama	Monitor	Judiciary	02/24/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Adopt the Heartbeat Act <i>Requires physicians to perform an ultrasound prior to an abortion. Makes it unlawful for a person to knowingly perform an abortion if there is a detectable fetal heartbeat. Violation is a Class IIA felony. Recognizes an affirmative defense that a medical emergency existed. Shields woman upon whom an abortion is attempted, induced, or performed from prosecution under the Act.</i> <i>Proposed AM1534 (Hunt): Creates an exception to the Heartbeat Act for pregnancy due to sexual assault or perpetration of incest.</i> <i>Proposed AM1535 (Hunt): Creates an exception to the Heartbeat Act for pregnancy determined by a physician to have a likelihood of fetal anomaly.</i> <i>Proposed AM1528 (Hunt): Includes a new definition of "qualified practitioner" from "physician" to include an osteopath, APRN, certified nurse midwife, or a physician assistant.</i>
LB782	Vargas	Support	Appropriations	01/28/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Change appropriations for Health Aid to the Department of Health and Human Services <i>Increases by \$100,000 the budgeted appropriation to DHHS in fiscal year 2022-23 for the University of Nebraska Medical Center for the Nebraska Perinatal Quality Improvement Collaborative.</i> <i>LB782 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>
LB784	Jacobson	Oppose	Revenue	02/24/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Change provisions relating to a property tax exemption for hospitals <i>For tax year 2023 and each tax year thereafter, in order for property of a hospital to qualify for the property tax exemption, the hospital must permit licensed medical practitioners in the community to use the hospital's facilities regardless of whether the practitioner is employed by the hospital, except that a hospital may prohibit a practitioner from using its facilities if good cause is shown. If a hospital meets such requirement, the property of such hospital shall be exempt from property taxes in proportion to the percentage of the hospital's services that are provided gratuitously.</i>
LB792	Lowe	Support bill amended into this bill	Appropriations	01/28/2022	Approved by Governor on April 19, 2022 04/20/2022 Legislature's Planning Committee Priority Bill	Appropriate funds to the University of Nebraska for the University of Nebraska Medical Center Rural Health Complex <i>Appropriates \$15 million to YRTC-Kearney for construction of two new housing units, with a capacity to each house 24 to 28 youth, including \$13,336,000 for renovation of the existing Washington-Lincoln building to be repurposed for a treatment and program center.</i> <i>AM2430 (Appropriations): Strikes the original provisions of the underlying bill (which are now included in the overall budget bill) and instead provides \$3 million from the General Fund for FY2022-23, \$9 million for FY2023-24, and \$15 million for FY2024-25 to the University of Nebraska, for the academic programs and operating budget of the Rural Health Complex on the campus of UNK. -ADOPTED 3/31/22</i> <i>AM2700 (Lowe): Technical correction to appropriate the funds to the Board of Regents. -ADOPTED 4/11/22</i> <i>FA206 (Lowe): Reduces the General Fund appropriation from \$3 million to \$500,000. -ADOPTED 4/11/22</i> <i>LB721 amended into LB792 (AM2430).</i>



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<i>LB792 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>						
LB812	Hilkemann	Support	Health and Human Services	02/02/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Provide for vaccine administration by pharmacy technicians <i>A pharmacy technician may administer vaccines to the arm of persons 3 and older, and such administration shall not be considered to be performing a task requiring the professional judgment of a pharmacist, when certain conditions are met, including training, life support certification, and on-site supervision.</i>
LB815	McKinney	Monitor	Business and Labor	02/28/2022	General File 03/08/2022	Adopt the Diaper Changing Accommodation Act <i>Requires every public accommodation constructed or substantially renovated after Jan. 1, 2023, to provide at least one baby diaper changing station in a restroom designated for use by women and one diaper changing station in a restroom designated for use by men or one diaper changing station in a gender-neutral or family restroom.</i>
LB824	Hansen, B.	Monitor	Health and Human Services	01/21/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022	Include bathing as an activity of daily living for health care credentialing provisions <i>Takes bathing out of the definition of personal care, and moves it in to the definition of "activities of daily living" under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act, in home services statutes, and home health agency statutes.</i> <i>AM1604 (B. Hansen): Removes changes to the Health Care Facility Licensure Act. The bill would now only apply to home health agencies and personal care health aides. - ADOPTED 3/8/22</i> <i>FA95 (M. Cavanaugh): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. -WITHDRAWN 3/31/22</i>
LB852	Day	Support	Education	02/22/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Walz Priority Bill	Require behavioral health points of contact for school districts, provide for mental health first aid training, and change education innovation grants <i>Requires each school district to designate an administrator, a school nurse, a school psychologist, or another school employee with knowledge of community behavioral health resources as a point of contact to coordinate access to community behavioral health services during the school day at the child's school. Requires DHHS to provide each school district with a registry of state and local behavioral health resources.</i> <i>AM1607 (Education): Strikes "whenever possible" so facilitation will occur during the school day. -ADOPTED 3/28/22</i> <i>AM2272 (Morfeld): Amends in LB912 (as amended by Education Committee AM2214) to provide for mental health first aid training for school districts using lottery funds. - ADOPTED 3/28/22</i> <i>AM2563 (Day): Strikes "school employee" and inserts "person affiliated with such school building or other division." -ADOPTED 3/28/22</i> <i>LB912 amended into LB852 (AM2272).</i>



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LB855	Day	Support	Health and Human Services	01/20/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022	Change requirements for coverage under the Medical Assistance Act <i>Requires medicaid cover rural health clinic services and FQHC services.</i>
LB857	Day	Support	Health and Human Services	02/10/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Provide for express lane eligibility under the Medical Assistance Act and the Children's Health Insurance Program <i>Requires DHHS submit a state plan amendment to implement express lane eligibility using eligibility determinations from SNAP. Funded by ARPA funds.</i>
LB859	Clements	Monitor	Health and Human Services	03/02/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Require city-county health departments to obtain approval for directed health measures <i>Requires public health department plans or measures to prevent or investigate contagious or infectious diseases be first approved by DHHS. Allows the Board of Health to enact such measures only after public hearing.</i>
LB862	McCollister	Support	Health and Human Services	01/26/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Require coverage under the Medical Assistance Act for treatments for end-stage renal disease <i>No later than Oct. 1, 2022, the department shall, in compliance with federal law as of Jan. 1, 2021, consider all treatments for end stage renal disease, including but not limited to, outpatient and home dialysis, hemodialysis, and directed living donor kidney transplants as eligible treatments under the emergency medical services assistance program.</i>
LB863	Williams	Support bill amended into this bill	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	01/18/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Banking, Commerce and Insurance Priority Bill	Adopt the Travel Insurance Act and the Primary Care Investment Act and change provisions relating to premium rebates, insurance coverage, the Insurance Holding Company System Act, and the Insurers Investment Act <i>Banking Omnibus Bill. Adopts the latest National Association of Insurance Commissioners update. Allows for international compliance with banking agreements by mandating the filing of a group capital calculation by certain international insurers. The revisions also mandate that certain insurers conduct a liquidity stress test and report the results to the Department of Insurance.</i> <i>AM1913 (Banking, Commerce and Insurance): Contains provisions of: LB728 (Lindstrom) Adopt the Travel Insurance Act (Sec. 1-10) LB737(Bostar) Adopt the Primary Care Investment Act (Sec. 11-17) amended to remove fiscal impact. LB739 (Bostar) Change provisions relating to insurance coverage of colorectal cancer screenings (Sec. 20) LB955 (Murman) Prohibit certain insurance practices relating to a person's status as a living organ donor (Sec. 18) LB957 (Flood) Change provisions of the Insurers Investment Act (Sec. 25 – 36) LB1042 (Bostar) Change provisions relating to insurance and rebates (Sec. 19) -ADOPTED 3/3/22.</i> <i>LB728, LB737, LB739, LB955, LB957, LB1042 amended into LB863 (AM1913).</i>
LB867	Morfeld	Monitor	Appropriations	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for Health Aid <i>Appropriates \$500,000 from ARPA to DHHS for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Surveillance and Prevention Programs for FY 2021-22.</i>



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<i>LB867 amended into LB1014 (AM2561)</i>						
LB869	Hansen, M.	Monitor	Business and Labor	01/24/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Change provisions relating to a leave of absence for an adoptive parent <i>Eliminates provision stating employer is not required to provide adoptive parent leave of absence if the child being adopted is over 8 years and is not a special needs child.</i>
LB885	Cavanaugh, M.	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Require implicit bias training for certain applicants and credential holders under the Uniform Credentialing Act <i>Anyone engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery, advanced practice nursing, alcohol and drug counseling, athletic training, audiology, speech-language pathology, chiropractic, dentistry, dental hygiene, emergency medical services, genetic counseling, hearing instrument dispensing and fitting, massage therapy, medical nutrition therapy, medical radiography, mental health practice, nurse midwifery, nursing, occupational therapy, optometry, osteopathy, perfusion, pharmacy, physical therapy, podiatry, psychology, respiratory care, or surgical assisting must annually complete implicit bias training which means a program approved by the department that is designed to expose unconscious prejudices or partialities, to provide tools to adjust automatic patterns of thinking, to eliminate discriminatory behaviors, and to create awareness of implicit bias.</i> <i>Proposed AM1596 (M. Cavanaugh): Makes the implicit bias training requirement apply to any credential holder under the Uniform Credentialing Act except those in asbestos abatement, athletic training, body art, cosmetology, electrology, esthetics, funeral directing and embalming, hearing instrument dispensing and fitting, lead based paint abatement, nail technology, radon detection, veterinary medicine, or a registered environmental health specialist.</i>
LB886	Cavanaugh, M.	Monitor	Judiciary	01/27/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Provide requirements relating to pregnant prisoners and detainees <i>Prohibits the use of restraints on the abdomen, waist, or chest on any pregnant prisoner or detainee. Allows pregnant prisoner or detainee one support person of her choice in the delivery room during labor and recovery.</i>
LB893	Stinner	Monitor	Appropriations	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Appropriate funds for provider rate increases for developmental disability services <i>Appropriates \$26 million from the General Fund and \$41 million from federal funds for DD provider rate increases in FY 2022-23.</i> <i>LB893 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>
LB895	Walz	Support	Health and Human Services	02/10/2022	In Committee 01/10/2022	Provide restrictions on prior authorizations by managed care organizations under the Medical Assistance Act <i>An MCO that implements an automated prior auth system shall use evidence-based clinical guidelines consistent with professional association standards to program that system and shall ensure that a health care professional of the same discipline or specialty makes the decision to deny or modify requests for authorization based on medical necessity. An MCO shall not require prior auth for the initial 12 treatment sessions of new episodes of care for chiropractic, physical therapy, occupational therapy, or speech-language pathology services.</i>
LB901	Pansing Brooks	Monitor	Health and Human Services	01/19/2022	General File 02/17/2022	Provide for cytomegalovirus public education and prevention <i>Requires the DHHS to develop and publish information on its website and make materials available to child care facilities, school nurses, hospitals, birthing facilities regarding cytomegalovirus incidence, transmission, and defects, as well as methods of diagnosing, preventative measures, and services available to children diagnosed. Requires health care providers to give this information to each pregnant woman in their care during the first trimester. Requires the birthing facility in which a newborn infant fails an audiology test to provide such information to the parents.</i> <i>Proposed AM1748 (Health and Human Services): Makes the provision of materials by the Department of Health and Human Services mandatory, not "upon request." Allows but does not require health care providers to provide materials. Strikes the requirement for newborns to have a follow-up audiology appointment within 21 days of birth.</i> <i>LB901 amended into LB741 (AM2402).</i>



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LB902	Aguilar	Monitor	Education	02/14/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Speaker Priority Bill	Adopt the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act <i>States legislative intent to appropriate \$3 million to Board of Trustees and \$6 million to Board of Regents, and \$4 million to DED for both fiscal years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025. Nebraska State Colleges shall award a maximum of \$15,000 to student who receives ACT score of 18 or higher, enrolls at state college in one of following programs of study: rangeland management, industrial technology, criminal justice, business administration, education, communication, or computer information systems. This scholarship automatically renews on annual basis, up to 4 years, if student remains enrolled and in good standing. Student must register and obtain NE-based internship, apprenticeship, clinical position or employment in major-related field prior to completing program. University of Nebraska shall award NE career scholarship to any eligible university student. Eligible programs of study include math, engineering, health care, computer information system, business or education. \$10,000 to any transfer student or student scoring in range of 20-27 on ACT, and \$25,000 to any student who received ACT score of 28 or higher. This scholarship automatically renews on annual basis, up to 4 years, if student remains enrolled/good standing. Student must register and obtain NE-based internship, apprenticeship, clinical position or employment in major-related field prior to completing program. DED to award funds to use at a 50-50 split between community college and private postsecondary institutions in selected skilled trades.</i> <i>AM2194 (Education): Redefines terms. Beginning in FY 2024-25 programs of study will be designated by DED with the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges to review the workforce needs of the state. Limits the eligible programs to math, engineering, health care, and computer information systems, removes teaching and business. Intent to appropriate \$50,000 for FY 2022-23 from the General Fund to cooperative programs with Wayne State College. -ADOPTED 3/28/22</i>
LB905	Walz	Monitor	Health and Human Services	01/19/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022	Provide for perinatal mental health screenings <i>Licensed health care professionals, including any MD, DO, APRN, or PA providing prenatal, post-natal, or pediatric care, may invite the mother to complete a questionnaire in order to complete a perinatal screening for perinatal health disorders, and if completed, shall review the questionnaire in accordance with the formal recommendations of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.</i> <i>AM1609 (Health and Human Services): Copies the substance of the bill into the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Practice Act, in addition to the Medicine and Surgery Practice Act. -ADOPTED 3/14/22</i>
LB906	Hansen, B.	Neutral	Health and Human Services	01/27/2022	Approved by Governor (E-Clause) 02/28/2022 Hansen, B. Priority Bill	Require employers to provide for vaccine exemptions and provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services <i>An employer that requires applicants or employees to be vaccinated shall allow for an exemption to such requirement based on an applicant's or employee's strong moral, ethical, or philosophical belief or conviction. An employer may require an employee granted this exemption to be periodically tested, at the employer's expense, for infection or illness; or to wear or use personal protective equipment provided by the employer.</i> <i>AM1729 (Health and Human Services): Same as AM1687. -ADOPTED 2/9/22</i> <i>AM1805 (Williams): Includes a definition of "Medicare-certified or medicaid-certified provider or supplier" subject to federal law and CMS vaccination requirements. Adopted 33-1. -ADOPTED 2/9/22</i> <i>AM1902 (Friesen): Would require the University to refund student's tuition and transfer the student's hours to another postsecondary institution, for enforcing a COVID vaccine requirement. -WITHDRAWN 2/15/22</i>



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<i>FA72 (Groene): Strikes the allowance of an employer granting an exemption to require periodic testing or PPE provided by the employer, strikes "federal contractor" from the Medicare/Medicaid certified provider definition from AM1805. -LOST 2/15/22</i>						
<i>AM1923 (Hunt): Would increase the number of employees from 1 to 15 for an employer to be required to provide the exemptions. -LOST 2/16/22</i>						
<i>AM1925 (Hunt): Would require employers granting an exemption to require employees granted an exemption be tested and masked. -NOT CONSIDERED 2/25/22</i>						
<i>AM1926 (Hunt): Creates an exception for employers that would experience an undue hardship for granting an exemption to their vaccine mandate. -WITHDRAWN 2/25/22</i>						
<i>AM1927 (Hunt): Requires employers to pay hazard pay to vaccinated employees if they grant a vaccine exemption to another employee. -WITHDRAWN 2/25/22</i>						
LB909	McDonnell	Monitor	Judiciary	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/11/2022	Authorize mental health professionals and practitioners to take persons into emergency protective custody and provide for a training and certification process <i>Requires DHHS to create a certification process for licensed independent mental health practitioners to take persons into emergency protective custody when the practitioner has probable cause to believe a person is mentally ill and dangerous and harm is likely to occur before mental health board proceedings could be initiated. Clarifies notice provisions to the county attorney include such professionals.</i>
LB912	Morfeld	Support	Education	02/28/2022	General File 03/09/2022	Provide for mental health first aid training for school districts and change provisions relating to the use of lottery funds <i>Proposed AM2214 (Education): Removes schizophrenia and bipolar disorder as conditions for mental health first aid training. Intent language that funding comes from lottery dollars.</i> <i>LB912 amended into LB852 (AM2272).</i>
LB920	Lathrop	Monitor	Judiciary	01/26/2022	General File 03/16/2022 Judiciary Priority Bill	Change criminal justice provisions including offenses, sentencing, set asides, restitution, pretrial diversion, and parole; provide for benefits under the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act; create criminal justice pilot programs; terminate an oversight committee; and create a task force <i>NAPA/NHA Summary:</i> <i>-Criminal justice reform package making many changes to sentencing and parole.</i> <i>-Adds eligibility to the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act, for further financial assistance for psychiatrists and mental health practitioners practicing in the treatment of members of the community supervision population (persons on probation, post-release supervision, and pretrial release).</i> <i>For NECAA: https://tinyurl.com/mr3crtap</i> <i>Proposed AM2337 (Geist): Strikes the committee amendment AM2286. Includes from LB920: problem solving court changes (adds a reporting requirement of rates of return to court and program completion); behavioral health pilot program; set aside notice; pilot program to hire more assistant probation officers (adds reporting requirements including recidivism rates); pilot program for probationer incentives; priority for paying restitution to crime victims; Medicaid eligibility; justice reinvestment oversight task force; expand behavioral health care access; responsivity factors; streamlined parole; parole eligibility factors, and supportive housing programs.</i> <i>Removes mandatory minimums for controlled substance violations, eliminates reduced penalties for controlled substance possession. Removes burglary and theft provisions. Removes minimum sentences and concurrent vs consecutive sentences. Removes habitual criminal changes. Removes statewide standards for diversion programs. Removes changes to parole eligibility. Removes geriatric parole.</i> <i>Proposed AM2354 (Geist): Same as AM2337.</i>



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					<i>Proposed AM2355 (Geist): Amends the final reading copy of LB920. Same as AM2337.</i>
					<i>Proposed AM2367 (Geist): Dilatory amendment to extend debate.</i>
					<i>Proposed AM2368 (Geist): Dilatory amendment to extend debate.</i>
					<i>Proposed AM2286 (Judiciary): Requires additional detail in the annual report for problem solving courts (adds a reporting requirement of rates of return to court and program completion). Excludes fentanyl and synthetic fentanyl from the misdemeanor level offense for possession of a controlled substance. Increases requirements for geriatric parole eligibility up to age 75 and serving at least 15 years of a sentence. Adds additional detail to the information required in the annual report for problem solving courts. Allows probation to choose the probation district for the assistant probation officer pilot project. Assigns the Crime Commission to provide staff support to the Justice Reinvestment Oversight Task Force. Corrects a drafting error in Section 33 to replace a reference to "maximum" with "total minimum." Removes appropriations intent language for technical parole violation residential housing program and removes a requirement that the Director of the Department of Correctional Services to designate a facility for Parole's housing program.</i>
					<i>Proposed AM2468 (Lathrop): Strike "necessitate" and insert "support."</i>
					<i>Proposed AM2463 (Lathrop): Same as the committee amendment (AM2286), but changes "State Court Administrator" to "probation administrator" for purposes of selecting the district for a probationer incentive program.</i>
					<i>Proposed AM2462 (Lathrop): Strike "State Court Administrator" and insert "probation administrator" for purposes of selecting the district for a probationer incentive program.</i>
LB921	Lathrop	Support bill amended into this bill	Judiciary 01/27/2022	Approved by Governor on April 19, 2022 04/20/2022 Cavanaugh, J. Priority Bill	Provide for reimbursement for lodging of certain defendants, require medicaid enrollment assistance for inmates, change priority for admission to state hospitals for the mentally ill and require minimum numbers of beds at the Lincoln Regional Center, and create the Legislative Mental Health Care Capacity Strategic Planning Committee
					-All sentences for class III, IIIA, or IV felonies, regardless of length, and all sentences for a term of less than one year shall be served in the county jail. -Sentences of imprisonment in misdemeanor cases shall be served in the county jail, except that such sentences may be served in Department of Corrections institutions if the sentence is to be served concurrently or consecutively with a term for a conviction of a class I, IA, IB, IC, ID, II, or IIA felony (rather than any felony) and the combined sentences total a term of one year or more.
					AM2503 (Judiciary): Replaces the bill. Adds amended provisions of LB1223 (M. Hansen) to require reimbursement for lodging certain defendants in county jails and require state hospitals to maintain beds for certain patients and LB952 (J. Cavanaugh) to provide medicaid enrollment assistance to inmates prior to release from incarceration. Requires DHHS to reimburse a county jail if a person is ordered to be committed to DHHS to restore competency but remains housed in the county jail. The rate of reimbursement is \$100/day and will be adjusted for inflation annually. Requires DHHS to provide Medicaid enrollment assistance for people prior to leaving incarceration. Adds people who have been found incompetent to stand trial and who remain in county jail as a priority group for admission to state hospitals. Requires a minimum percentage of available capacity for the priority groups identified. 15% of capacity would be reserved for people that have been found incompetent to stand trial and remain in county jail. Creates the Legislative Mental Health Care Capacity Strategic Planning Committee, which would be required to contract with an independent consultant to determining the necessary capacity of inpatient mental health care in Nebraska. -ADOPTED 4/8/22
					AM2768 (J. Cavanaugh): Amends in provisions of three bills: -LB879 (J. Cavanaugh) Provide for answers of no contest in adjudication hearings under the Nebraska Juvenile Code -LB810 (J. Cavanaugh) Change provisions relating to room confinement of juveniles and required reports -LB1244 (J. Cavanaugh) Change provisions relating to limitations for a postconviction relief action



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						-WITHDRAWN 4/11/22
						<i>Proposed AM2835 (J. Cavanaugh): Provides medicaid enrollment assistance for inmates prior to release.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2826 (Arch): Reduces the percent of available beds required to be kept open at the Lincoln Regional Center for patients posing a public health and safety threat from 15% to 10%, for mental health commitments from 45% to 30%, and for reducing the waiting lists for mental health beds 30% of the beds shall remain open for DHHS to allocate.</i>
						<i>AM2835 (J. Cavanaugh): Provides medicaid enrollment assistance for inmates prior to release. -ADOPTED 4/11/2022</i>
						<i>AM2826 (Arch): Reduces the percent of available beds required to be kept open at the Lincoln Regional Center for patients posing a public health and safety threat from 15% to 10%, for mental health commitments from 45% to 30%, and for reducing the waiting lists for mental health beds 30% of the beds shall remain open for DHHS to allocate. – ADOPTED 4/11/2022</i>
						<i>LB952 (AM2503), LB1223 (AM2503) amended into LB921.</i>
LB929	Wishart	Support	Health and Human Services	01/26/2022	In Committee 01/11/2022	Require submission of a medicaid state plan amendment or waiver to extend postpartum coverage <i>Would require DHHS to seek federal funds to extend postpartum care for medicaid beneficiaries from sixty days to twelve months.</i>
LB933	Albrecht	Monitor	Judiciary	02/24/2022	In Committee 01/11/2022 Hilgers Priority Bill	Adopt the Nebraska Human Life Protection Act <i>Makes it a Class IIA felony to intentionally and knowingly administer, prescribe, sell, or otherwise provide any medicine, drug, or other substance with the specific intent of causing or abetting the termination of the life of an unborn child; or to use or employ any instrument or procedure upon a pregnant woman with the specific intent of causing or abetting the termination of the life of an unborn child. Excepts the administration, prescription, or sale of contraceptives not intended to cause or abet termination of an unborn child. Provides an affirmative defense to physicians in emergency procedures to protect the life or vital organs of the pregnant woman. No woman upon whom an abortion is performed is liable. Requires a precursor of action from the Supreme Court, an amendment of the Constitution, or a law passed by Congress that would give Nebraska the authority to regulate under this act for the provisions to become operative.</i> <i>Proposed AM1577 (Hunt): Excludes pregnancies resulting from incest or sexual assault, regardless of whether such sexual assault was reported, investigated, or prosecuted.</i> <i>Proposed AM2207 (Albrecht): Technical correction to cite the act.</i> <i>Proposed AM2208 (Albrecht): Technical correction to cite the act.</i> <i>Proposed AM2283 (Albrecht): Technical correction to cite the act, amends final reading copy.</i> <i>Proposed AM1568 (Hunt): Filibuster amendment.</i> <i>Proposed AM1570 (Hunt): Filibuster amendment.</i> <i>Proposed AM1575 (Hunt): Filibuster amendment.</i> <i>Proposed AM2567 (Hunt): Strikes the severability clause.</i>



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						<i>Proposed AM2566 (Hunt): Adds a new section that provides no provision of the Act shall apply to instances where pregnancy resulted from subjection to sex trafficking, whether or not such sex trafficking was reported, investigated, or prosecuted.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2568 (Hunt): Adds a new section that provides when any licensed physician or any person is charged under the Act and such charges are dismissed, such licensed physician or person shall be entitled to recovery.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2595 (Morfeld): Provides for free contraceptives funded by the General Fund.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2641 (Hilkemann): Strikes section 7 that gave physicians an affirmative defense if preventing the death of the pregnant woman. Reduces the penalty from a class IIA felony to being reported to the licensing board for disciplinary action.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA200 (Hunt): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. Strike the enacting clause.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA201 (Hunt): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. Strikes the contingency to make the Act operative of the U.S. Congress enacting a law to allow Nebraska to regulate abortion in the manner of the Act.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA202 (Hunt): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. Strikes the severability clause.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA196 (Hunt): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. Amends AM1577 to clarify law enforcement involvement.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA197 (Hunt): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. Amends AM1568.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA198 (Hunt): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. Changes the name of the act to the "Roe v. Wade Repeal Act."</i>
						<i>Proposed FA199 (Hunt): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. Changes the name of the act to the "Roe v. Wade Repeal Act."</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2716 (Blood): Includes provisions of LB20 to provide medicaid coverage for prescribed contraceptives.</i>
						<i>LB20 amended into LB933 with Proposed AM2716.</i>
LB943	Bostar	Support	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	02/15/2022	General File 03/09/2022	Prohibit certain provisions in a health plan in relation to clinician-administered drugs
						<i>An insurance policy shall not: (a) Refuse to authorize or pay a provider for providing covered clinician-administered drugs and related services; (b) Impose limitations or require an enrollee to pay an additional fee when obtaining clinician-administered drugs from a health care provider or a pharmacy; (c) Interfere with the right of a patient to choose to obtain a clinician-administered drug from such patient's provider or pharmacy of choice; (d) Require clinician-administered drugs to be dispensed by a pharmacy selected by the insurer; (e) Limit or exclude coverage for a clinician-administered drug when such drug is not dispensed by a pharmacy selected by the health plan if such drug would otherwise be covered; (f) Reimburse at a lesser amount a clinician-administered drug dispensed by a pharmacy not selected by the insurer; (g) Condition or refuse to authorize, or reduce payment to a participating provider for providing covered clinician-administered drugs and related services when the participating provider obtains clinician-administered drugs from a pharmacy that is not a participating provider in the insurer's network, if all criteria for medical necessity are met; (h) Require an enrollee to pay an additional fee, for clinician-administered drugs when not dispensed by a pharmacy selected by the insurer; or (i) Require a specialty pharmacy to dispense a clinician-administered medication directly to a patient with the intention that the patient will transport the medication to a health care provider for administration. An insurance policy may offer, but shall not require: (i) The use of a home infusion pharmacy to dispense clinician-administered drugs to patients in their homes; or (ii) The use of an infusion site external to a patient's provider office or clinic.</i>



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LB946	Wayne	Oppose	Judiciary	01/19/2022	In Committee 01/11/2022	Prohibit the prescription of off-label medications to certain juveniles <i>Prohibits the prescription of off-label medications for juveniles in the custody of the state.</i>
LB950	DeBoer	Monitor	Appropriations	02/17/2022	In Committee 01/11/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the University of Nebraska for academic medical research and development <i>Appropriates \$10 million from ARPA to the University of Nebraska for academic medical research and development at the Global Center for Health Security at UNMC for FY2022-23.</i>
LB952	Cavanaugh, J.	Monitor	Judiciary	01/26/2022	In Committee 01/11/2022	Provide medicaid enrollment assistance to inmates prior to release from incarceration <i>Requires DHHS to provide onsite Medicaid enrollment assistance to each inmate at least 60 days before release and to submit all inmates' Medicaid applications at least 45 days prior to release unless the inmate elects not to apply in writing or the inmate is currently enrolled with suspended coverage.</i> <i>LB952 amended into LB921 (AM2503).</i>
LB955	Murman	Monitor	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	02/01/2022	In Committee 01/11/2022	Prohibit certain insurance practices relating to a person's status as a living organ donor <i>Prohibits declining or limiting an individual's coverage under any life insurance policy, disability insurance policy, or long-term care insurance policy due to the status of such person as a living organ donor.</i> <i>LB955 amended into LB863 (AM1913).</i>
LB956	Murman	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/17/2022	In Committee 01/11/2022	Change provisions relating to confidential public health information <i>The Director of Public Health or the chief executive officer of DHHS may authorize the disclosure of individually identifiable health information reported to the department if the disclosure of specific information is necessary to address the occurrence or imminent threat of an illness or health condition caused by bioterrorism, epidemic, or a pandemic disease, or an infection agent or biological toxin that poses a substantial risk of significant human fatalities, permanent or long-term disability, or health care needs that exceed available resources.</i>
LB959	McCollister	Neutral	Appropriations	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/12/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for the statewide designated health information exchange <i>Appropriates \$5.922 million from ARPA to DHHS for infrastructure development related to patient access to medical records and maintenance for applications that facilitate patient access to medical records for FY 2022-23. Appropriates \$3 million from ARPA to DHHS for infrastructure development and operations of a research database in health care delivery and quality improvement for FY 2022-23.</i>
LB963	Murman	Oppose	Health and Human Services	03/02/2022	In Committee 01/12/2022	Adopt the Medical Ethics and Diversity Act <i>No medical practitioner, health care institution, or health care payer should be compelled to participate in or pay for any medical procedure or prescribe or pay for any medication which such person or entity objects on the basis of conscience. A religious medical practitioner, health care institution, or health care payer that holds itself out to the public as religious shall have the right to make employment, staffing, contracting, and admitting privilege decisions consistent with its religious beliefs.</i>
LB967	Lathrop	Monitor	Business and Labor	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/12/2022	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act <i>Allows all hearings and trials (not just non-evidentiary hearings and those hearings agreed to by parties) to be held telephonically or by videoconferencing. Decreases from 30 days to 14 days' notice of a public hearing in front of the Workers Compensation Court and changes notice via newspaper to online notice. Extends return of service from 7 to 14 days.</i>



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LB971	McDonnell	Monitor	Appropriations	01/28/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022	Change the name of the Brain Injury Trust Fund Act to the Brain Injury Assistance Act and change certain provisions in the act <i>Changes from a Fund to a Program administered by DHHS, still through a contract with UNMC.</i> <i>FA91 (M. Cavanaugh): Dilatory amendment to extend debate. -WITHDRAWN 3/31/22</i>
LB976	Wishart	Support	Health and Human Services	01/20/2022	In Committee 01/12/2022	Adopt the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Act <i>Provides legislative intent to increase access to mental health and substance use treatment and expand capacity to address increased need, including the opioid overdose crisis, and establish innovative community partnerships with law enforcement, schools, and hospitals to improve care, reduce recidivism, and address health disparities. Requires DHHS to develop a prospective payment system under Medicaid for funding certified community behavioral health clinics. Such system shall permit either daily or monthly payment rates. DHHS shall submit to CMS any approval request necessary for a Medicaid state plan amendment to implement.</i>
LB980	McKinney	Monitor	Judiciary	01/26/2022	In Committee 01/13/2022	Provide for release for medical treatment, change provisions relating to medical parole, and provide for parole eligibility for persons serving sentences of life imprisonment <i>Provides when person committed to Department of Corrections requires medical treatment, the Director of Correctional Services may place such person in an institution, facility, or community placement. Adds physical health to list of conditions for which the Director of Correctional Services may authorize a person to visit a place/facility or work/participate in a training program. Provides a committed offender serving a life sentence will be eligible for parole upon serving 25 years of such sentence. Provides a committed offender serving a life sentence serving a consecutive term of years, in addition to a sentence of imprisonment, whether received at the same time or at any time during the original sentence, will be eligible for parole when the offender has served the greater of (a) 25 years or (b) a total of ½ the minimum term for any and all sentences for a term of years. Requires board to conduct parole review no later than 60 days prior to the date a committed offender becomes eligible for parole. Applies changes to all committed offenders under sentence or on parole on or after the effective date of this act and all persons sentenced on and after such date.</i>
LB988	Stinner	Monitor	Appropriations	01/31/2022	General File 02/11/2022	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for a medicaid rate study for assisted-living services <i>Appropriates \$100,000 in general funds and directs DHHS to claim up to \$100,000 of federal medicaid administrative matching funds to contract for a cost study on reasonable rates for assisted-living care and assisted-living memory care in the aged and disabled medicaid waiver.</i>
LB989	Stinner	Support	Appropriations	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/13/2022	Appropriate funds for medicaid nursing facility rates <i>Appropriates \$26 million in general funds and \$34 million in federal funds to increase the base for funding appropriations for medicaid nursing facility services in FY2022-23 by \$60 million, in addition to the 2% rate enhancement, 1.5% utilization adjustment, and inflation.</i> <i>LB989 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>
LB996	Dorn	Monitor	Appropriations	02/22/2022	In Committee 01/13/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for assisted-living facilities <i>Appropriates \$5.4628 million from ARPA to DHHS for assisted-living facilities to be used to enhance employee recruitment and retention and costs for supplies and equipment. Provides distribution to licensed assisted-living facilities will equal \$400 per licensed bed in such facility.</i> <i>LB996 amended into LB1014 (AM2330).</i>



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LB1007	Murman	Support	Health and Human Services	02/11/2022	Approved by Governor on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022	Change provisions relating to the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act

Current law states that in consideration of the agreement by the recipient, the State of Nebraska and a local entity within the designated health profession shortage area will provide equal funding for the repayment of the recipient's qualified educational debts, this bill adds that such equal funding shall not be required by the local entity in the event that federal law does not require a match by the local entity for the repayment of qualified education debts.

AM2099 (Health and Human Services): Amends the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act so that any agreements entered into between July 1, 2022 and December 31, 2024 would use federal ARPA dollars prior to state or local funds, and if federal ARPA funds are used no local match is required. Aligns statute with ARPA guidelines including the requirement that funds be used by December 31, 2026. -ADOPTED 3/14/22

LB1011	Hilgers	Support bill amended into this bill	Appropriations	01/24/2022	Veto Override 04/07/2022	Provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to appropriations
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AM1999 (Appropriations): -ADOPTED 3/17/22

Details of the Committee's recommendation may be found in the booklet entitled, "Appropriations Committee Budget Proposal-Mid Biennium Budget Adjustments, FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23" dated March 2022.

The committee amendment includes all, or a portion of, the provisions of the following bills:

- LB703 Appropriate federal funds to the University of Nebraska for an agricultural innovation facility
- LB722 Transfer and appropriate funds for lead-based paint hazard control
- LB762 State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for behavioral health services
- LB766 Appropriate federal funds to the University of Nebraska for pancreatic cancer research
- LB782 Change appropriations for Health Aid to the Department of Health and Human Services
- LB788 Change appropriations intent language and matching fund provisions under the Nebraska Rural Projects Act
- LB792 Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Kearney
- LB813 State intent regarding funding for development and improvements along the national rail-trail route
- LB893 Appropriate funds for provider rate increases for developmental disability services
- LB989 Appropriate funds for medicaid nursing facility rates
- LB1015 Adopt the Perkins County Canal Project Act
- LB1023 Adopt the Lake Development Act and the Water Recreation Enhancement Act
- LB1049 Appropriate funds to the Supreme Court for the Office of Public Guardian
- LB1071 Appropriate funds for the workforce housing grant program
- LB1111 Appropriate funds to the Supreme Court for community corrections
- LB1164 State intent regarding an increase in reimbursement rates for Child Welfare Aid
- LB1197 Appropriate funds to the Department of Correctional Services for grants to mentor justice involved individuals
- LB1232 Appropriate funds from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Department of Economic Development for a capital construction grant for the United States Strategic Command Nuclear Command, Control, and Communications public-private partnership facility
- LB1233 Rename and change provisions relating to the United States Space Command Headquarters Assistance Fund, change provisions relating to the Cash Reserve Fund, and state legislative intent relating to development at Offutt Air Force Base
- LB1252 Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for middle-income housing



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						<i>Governor's mid-biennium budget adjustments request. Provides for a net General Fund appropriation reduction of \$8.6 million for FY 2021-22 and a net General Fund appropriation increase of \$42.1 million for FY 2022-23. Includes \$150 million to the Department of Natural Resources for the Statewide Tourism And Recreational Water Access and Resource Sustainability (STARWARS) projects and \$400 million to protect Nebraska's water resources with a canal and associated storage facilities; \$155 million to the Department of Corrections to complete the financing for construction of a multi-custody level correctional facility to replace the State Penitentiary; and \$16.8 million to the State Patrol expand and renovate the state crime lab. For more info: https://das.nebraska.gov/budget/publications/docs/2021-2023/pdf/Mid-BienniumBook/Governor's_Budget_Recommendations_Mid-Biennium_Budget_Adjustments_2021-2023_Biennium.pdf.</i>
						<i>AM2110 (Lathrop): Strikes section 1, appropriation period. -ADOPTED 3/24/22</i>
						<i>AM2222 (Lathrop): Defines FY2021-22 as July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. -WITHDRAWN 3/24/22</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2111 (Lathrop): Strikes section 2, appropriation.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2224 (Lathrop): Amends AM2111 to add appropriation.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2112 (Lathrop): Strikes section 3, unexpended balances.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2225 (Lathrop): Amends AM2112, lapses unexpended amounts.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2113 (Lathrop): Strikes section 4, reappropriation.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2226 (Lathrop): Amends AM2113, reappropriates unexpended balances.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2244 (Albrecht): Disallows the use of funding to certain Department of Education funds from use for sex education standards.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2260 (Albrecht): Same as AM2244.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2261 (Albrecht): Same as AM2244 but amends the final reading copy of the bill.</i>
						<i>FA74 (Lathrop): Removes references to the Department of Corrections. -WITHDRAWN 3/16/22</i>
						<i>FA75 (Lathrop): Removes reference to the Capital Construction Fund. -WITHDRAWN 3/16/22</i>
						<i>FA76 (Lathrop): Removes reference to the Statewide Tourism and Recreational Water Access and Resource Sustainability. -FAILED 3/17/22</i>
						<i>Proposed FA77 (Lathrop): Removes reference to the Perkins County Canal Project.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA78 (Lathrop): Removes appropriations to the Governor.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA79 (Lathrop): Removes appropriations to the Governor's Policy Research Office.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2318 (McKinney): Places a salary bar on the grant funds.</i>



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						<i>Proposed AM2361 (Wayne): Would appropriate \$5 million for the Chief Standing Bear Documentary Fund.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA131 (Wayne): Dilatory amendment to extend debate.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2375 (Morfeld): Appropriates \$500,000 to the Department of Transportation for a feasibility study of a high-speed commuter rail service between Lincoln and Omaha.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2372 (Morfeld): Appropriates \$500,000 for HIV Surveillance and Prevention programs.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2395 (Wayne): Provides \$500,000 for the Game and Parks Commission to contract with a nonprofit organization for drainage and flooding work and building repairs for the Mayhew Cabin state historical site.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA136 (Lathrop): Removes \$6,881,233 from the Department of Correctional Services Operations Budget.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA136 (Lathrop): Placeholder amendment, strikes funding from the Department of Correctional Services Operations budget.</i>
						<i>AM2465 (Lathrop): Clean-up amendment to make technical corrections intended to be included in original committee amendment. -ADOPTED 3/24/22</i>
						<i>Proposed FA146 (J. Cavanaugh): Filibuster amendment.</i>
						<i>LB703, LB722, LB772, LB762, LB766, LB782, LB788, LB792, LB813, LB893, LB989, LB1015, LB1023, LB1049, LB1071, LB1111, LB1164, LB1197, LB1232, LB1233, LB1252 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>
LB1012	Hilgers	Support bill amended into this bill	Appropriations	01/24/2022	Veto Override 04/07/2022	Provide for funds transfers, create funds, and change and eliminate provisions regarding funds and reimbursement provisions
						<i>AM2000 (Appropriations): Details of the Committee's recommendation may be found in the booklet entitled, "Appropriations Committee Budget Proposal-Mid Biennium Budget Adjustments, FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23" dated March 2022. -ADOPTED 3/15/22</i>
						<i>Section 1 to 3 transfer \$500,000 on April 30, 2022, and \$1 million on July 1, 2022, from the General Fund to the Community College State Dependents Fund and create the Community College State Dependents Fund.</i>
						<i>Section 4 creates the Perkins County Canal Project Fund. The fund can be used for design, engineering, permitting, and options to purchase land related to building a canal as outlined by the South Platte River Compact and to contract with an independent firm for the purposes of completing a study of such canal.</i>
						<i>Section 5 creates the Military Base Development and Support Fund. The fund shall be used to contribute to construction, development, or support on any military base, located in Nebraska, for purposes of improving mission retention and recruitment; supporting the morale, health, and mental wellness of military members and families; and growing the economic impact of military bases in Nebraska.</i>
						<i>Section 6 creates the Trail Development and Maintenance Fund. The fund shall be used to provide grants to natural resources districts to assist in completing the Missouri-Pacific trail between the cities of Lincoln and Omaha.</i>



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						<i>Section 7 creates the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Fund. The fund shall be used for water and recreational projects pursuant to the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Act. An amount, not to exceed twenty million dollars, shall be available for site selection costs, feasibility and public water supply studies, and flood mitigation costs related to any projects pursuant to the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Act. No funds shall be expended for any other project unless additional conditions are met.</i>
						<i>Section 8 creates the Water Recreation Enhancement Fund. The fund shall be used for water and recreational projects pursuant to the Water Recreation Enhancement Act.</i>
						<i>Sections 9 and 10 create the Surface Water Irrigation Infrastructure Fund, which shall be used to provide grants to irrigation districts, and authorize the Department of Natural Resources to establish procedures and criteria for awarding grants for repair or construction of physical structures for irrigation projects.</i>
						<i>Section 11 amends the Health Care Cash Fund statute to amend the transfer on July 15, 2022, to the fund from \$51 million to \$66.2 million and to authorize a transfer of \$15 million from the Health Care Cash Fund to the University of Nebraska for pancreatic cancer research at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. Such transfer is contingent on certification of matching funds.</i>
						<i>Section 12 amends provisions related to the 211 Information and Referral Network to increase grant award amounts from \$300,000 per year to \$955,000 per year.</i>
						<i>Section 13 amends the Governor's Emergency Cash Fund to authorize transfers to the Cash Reserve Fund and the General Fund at the direction of the Legislature and includes a transfer of \$14 million to the Cash Reserve Fund by June 30, 2023.</i>
						<i>Section 14 to 16 amend provisions related to the internship programs to redefine terms, expand eligibility, increase grant award amounts for internships, clarify eligible reimbursable expenses, require reporting, and provide for contracting with a non-profit entity to carry out provisions.</i>
						<i>Section 17 to 20 amend provisions related to the Site and Building Development Fund to allow initiatives that improve military installations to include a grant for the establishment of the United State Strategic Command Nuclear Command, Control, and Communications public-private-partnership facility and to require matching funds for any such project.</i>
						<i>Section 21 to 24 amend provisions of the Business Innovation Act to define redevelopment areas, to require preference for projects within economic redevelopment areas, to include innovation hubs within the scope of the act, to increase the annual total amount for microloans from \$2 million to \$3 million, and to increase the maximum award amount for microloans from \$100,000 to \$150,000.</i>
						<i>Section 25 and 26 amend provisions of the Nebraska Rural Projects Act to specify that no less than \$50 million of matching funds shall be paid in total under the act, no more than \$30 million out of the initial \$50 million appropriated can be paid for any one project, and if more than \$50 million is appropriated, no one project can receive more than 60% of the amount appropriated in excess of \$50 million.</i>
						<i>Section 27 amends the Nebraska Cultural Preservation Endowment Fund to extend transfers from the General Fund until 2030. This is a technical correction from the 2021 enacted budget.</i>
						<i>Section 28 amends the Vocational and Life Skills Programming Fund to limit use of the fund to grants for certain entities, and to expand the list of priorities for the Department of Correctional Services in awarding such grants. There is also an annual transfer of \$5 million from the Prison Overcrowding Contingency Fund for each of the next 3 years.</i>
						<i>Section 29 amends the Prison Overcrowding Contingency Fund to permit transfers to the Vocational and Life Skills Programming Fund.</i>
						<i>Section 30 amends provisions related to the State Colleges Facilities Program to specify certain projects at Peru State College and Wayne State College pursuant to the program.</i>



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						Section 31 amends the Universal Service Fund to increase the annual transfer from \$300,000 to \$955,000 to the 211 Cash Fund, beginning July 1, 2022, for purposes of the 211 Information and Referral Network grants.
						The committee amendment includes all, or a portion of, the provisions of the following bills:
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LB759 Change a limitation relating to microloans under the Business Innovation Act • LB911 Change the grant amount for the 211 Information and Referral Network • LB1074 Create the Surface Water Irrigation Infrastructure Fund and provide for a transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund • LB1090 Change award limits under the Business Innovation Act • LB1114 Change provisions of the Business Innovation Act relating to purposes, funding preferences, and the small business investment program • LB1167 Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for internships and expanding and retaining Nebraska's workforce
						Creates the STARWARS Fund, Perkins County Canal Project Fund, and Community College State Dependents Fund.
						AM2344 (Friesen): Strike section 5 of AM2000. -WITHDRAWN 3/24/22
						AM2345 (Friesen): Strike section 6 of AM2000. -WITHDRAWN 3/15/22
						AM2360 (Wayne): Creates the Chief Standing Bear Documentary Fund. -WITHDRAWN 3/15/22
						FA127 (Wayne): Reduces the appropriation to the Health Care Cash Fund from \$15 million to \$5 million. -WITHDRAWN 3/15/22
						Proposed FA128 (Wayne): Reduces the private match required for the U.S. Strategic Command Nuclear Command, Control, and Communications facility.
						FA129 (Wayne): Reduces the one-time transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Surface Water Irrigation Infrastructure Fund from \$50 million to \$25 million. -WITHDRAWN 3/15/22
						Proposed AM2348 (Friesen): Strike section 10.
						AM2382 (Wayne): Limits the use of funds for the Department of Labor to study internship opportunities to 5% of the appropriation. -WITHDRAWN 3/15/22
						AM2351 (Friesen): Strike section 31. -WITHDRAWN 3/24/22
						AM2349 (Friesen): Strikes Section 19 related to DED assistance for STRATCOM. -ADOPTED 3/24/22
						AM2389 (Arch): Requires UNMC by July 1, 2025, to electronically submit to the Legislature and the Appropriations Committee a report detailing the use of \$15 million transferred from the Health Care Cash Fund for pancreatic cancer research. -WITHDRAWN 3/29/22
						AM2425 (Aguilar): Strikes a provision in the Rural Projects Act regarding matching funds. -WITHDRAWN 3/29/22
						AM2541 (Morfeld): Placeholder amendment. -WITHDRAWN 3/29/22



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						FA147 (Friesen): -WITHDRAWN 3/24/22
						AM2576 (Friesen): Redirects the \$14 million transfer from the Governor's Emergency Cash Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund, rather than the Cash Reserve Fund. -LOST 3/24/22
						FA149 (Bostelman): Strikes "annually" from the language authorizing transfer of \$935,000 from the NUSF to 211 Cash Fund. -ADOPTED 3/24/22
						AM2510 (McDonnell): Creates the Ernie Chambers History-Arts Humanities Museum Assistance Fund to be used to contribute to the construction of the Ernie Chambers History-Arts-Humanities Museum. The Nebraska State Historical Society shall administer the fund, which shall consist of transfers authorized by the Legislature and money from any federal and state sources. -WITHDRAWN 3/29/22
						LB759, LB911, LB1074, LB1090, LB1114, LB1167 amended into LB1012 (AM2000).
LB1013	Hilgers	Support bill amended into this bill	Appropriations	01/24/2022	Veto Override 04/07/2022	Change provisions relating to the Cash Reserve Fund
						AM2001 (Appropriations): -ADOPTED 3/22/22 The Appropriations Committee recommendation includes the following transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$215,580,000 to the Nebraska Capital Construction Fund. This amount includes \$25,000,000 appropriated in LB1011 for the University of Nebraska for an agricultural innovation facility at Innovation Campus (LB703), • \$15,580,000 appropriated in LB1011 to the Department of Health and Human Services for construction, renovation, and equipment replacement at the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Kearney (LB792), • \$175,000,000 that is not appropriated; • \$53,500,000 to the Perkins County Canal Project Fund (LB 1015); • \$30,000,000 to the Military Base Development and Support Fund (LB1233); • \$8,300,000 to the Trail Development and Maintenance Fund (LB813); • \$50,000,000 to the Nebraska Rural Projects Fund (LB788); • \$30,000,000 to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Fund (LB1071); • \$20,000,000 to the Intern Nebraska Cash Fund (LB1167); • \$20,000,000 to the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Fund (LB1252); • \$80,000,000 to the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Fund (LB1023); • \$20,000,000 to the Site and Building Development Fund (LB1232); • \$50,000,000 to the Surface Water Irrigation Infrastructure Fund (LB1074). The amendment also strikes the transfer to United States Space Command Headquarters Assistance Fund for \$50,000,000 and strikes language that the transfer is conditional on Nebraska being selected as the site of the United State Space Command headquarters. -ADOPTED 3/22/22 LB1023, LB1015, LB1074, LB788, LB1233, LB1071, LB1232, LB792 amended into LB1013 with AM2001.
						Transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund \$400 million to the Perkins County Canal Project Fund and \$175 to the Capital Construction Fund.
						Dilatory amendments to extend debate.
						AM2252 (Lathrop): Strike subsection (1) of section 1, amends AM2001. -LOST 3/24/22
						AM2256 (Lathrop): Strike amendment 2. -LOST 3/24/22



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						<i>Proposed AM2253 (Lathrop): Strike subsection (2) of section 1, amends AM2001.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2257 (Lathrop): Strike amendment 2 of AM2253.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2254 (Lathrop): Strike subsection (3) of section 1, amends AM2001.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2258 (Lathrop): Strike amendment 2 of AM2254.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2255 (Lathrop): Strike subsection (4) of section 1, amends AM2001.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2259 (Lathrop): Strike amendment 2, transfers zero dollars to the Capital Construction Fund, amends AM2255.</i>
						<i>FA80 (Lathrop): Removes reference to the Capital Construction Fund. -LOST 3/22/22</i>
						<i>Proposed FA81 (Lathrop): Removes reference to the Perkins County Canal.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA82 (Lathrop): Removes reference to the State Treasurer.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA83 (Lathrop): Removes reference to the Cash Reserve Fund.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA84 (Lathrop): Removes reference to the Department of Administrative Services.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA85 (Lathrop): Strikes references to "million dollars."</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2362 (Wayne): Would appropriate \$5 million for the Chief Standing Bear Documentary Fund.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA130 (Wayne): Reduces the one-time transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Surface Water Irrigation Infrastructure Fund from \$50 million to \$25 million.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA132 (M. Hansen): Increases the appropriation to the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act from \$20 million to \$30 million.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2385 (Wayne): Transfers \$5 million to the Nebraska Film Office.</i>
						<i>Proposed AM2383 (Wayne): Transfers \$225 million from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Economic Recovery Fund.</i>
						<i>Proposed FA135 (Lathrop): Placeholder amendment.</i>



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LB1014	Hilgers	Support	Appropriations	01/25/2022	Approved by Governor (E-Clause) on April 13, 2022 04/13/2022 Appropriations Priority Bill	Appropriate Federal Funds allocated to the State of Nebraska pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

ARPA Appropriation Bill. Details about the bill prior to general and select file amendments are available in the Appropriations Committee Budget Book: 2022 LB1014 Distribution of the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund (CSFRF). <https://nebraskalegislature.gov/pdf/reports/fiscal/2022arpa-csfrf.pdf>

-Includes funding for (not a complete list):

- LB1025 (Wayne) Qualified Census Tracts grants + Site & Building Fund - \$210 million – some provisions of this funding moved to LB1024 (20.4%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Shovel-Ready Capital Projects - \$100 million (9.7%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Workforce Housing - \$91 million (8.8%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Community College: Workforce Development - \$60 million (5.8%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Rural Health Complex - \$60 million (5.8%)
 - LB1089 (Stinner) Licensed and medicaid-certified nursing facilities - \$55 million (5.3%)
 - LB1172 (Hilkemann) Rate increases developmental disabilities providers - \$55 million (5.3%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Law Enforcement Training Center - \$47.7 million (4.6%)
 - LB1066 (Stinner) DHHS & University, behavioral health care services - \$33 million (3.2%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Salary Increases 24-Hour Facilities - \$36.7 million (3.6%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Child Welfare Case Counts & Provider Rates - \$25 million (2.4%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) ARPA Fund Administration (including DHHS OCIO) - \$25 million (2.4%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Ft. Laramie-Gering Canal - \$23.1 million (2.2%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Healthcare Facility Capacity Expansion - \$20 million (1.9%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Replace Aging Rural Ambulances - \$20 million (1.9%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) Meat Processing Plant Grant (North Platte) - \$20 million (1.9%)
 - LB1201 (DeBoer) DHHS for nonprofit organization food assistance grants - \$20 million (1.9%)
 - LB1014 (Hilgers/Gov) State Fair Sewer Upgrades - \$20 million (1.9%)
 - LB1081 (Bostar) Grants for water transport infrastructure - \$20 million (1.9%)
 - LB760 (Dorn) Grants to emergency medical services programs - \$5 million
- ADOPTED 3/23/22

AM2508 (Arch): Appropriates an additional \$20 million funding for capital construction to build mental health care and education capacity. Reduces funding in various developmental disability aid programs. -ADOPTED 3/23/22

AM2542 (Gragert): Funds \$7 million in aid for the Drinking Water Facilities Loan Fund to provide grant assistance for a rural drinking water project that serves rural water connections and at least four communities in two contiguous counties in order to convert to ground water sources and to provide for water system infrastructure and distribution. Takes \$6 million grants to prepare land parcels pursuant to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act. Reduces funding from \$2 million to \$1 million aid for job training and placement grants to nonprofit organizations for employment services for refugees. -ADOPTED 3/23/22

AM2544 (Murman): Adds in reduced amount for LB1269 (Murman) Repayment of qualified educational debts owed by certain health professionals, adding \$5 million (\$10 million was requested in original bill) for the repayment of qualified educational debts to eligible health professionals under the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act. Adds in LB1091 (Dorn) Nebraska Nursing Incentive Act, providing \$5 million for nursing scholarships. Reduces funding for ARPA Administration from \$20 million to \$10 million. -ADOPTED 3/23/22



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<i>AM2561 (Morfeld): Select File amendment to appropriate \$500,000 Federal Funds for the HIV Surveillance and Prevention Programs for education on the benefits of preexposure prophylaxis medication and for the costs of medication. Takes \$500,000 of funding from workforce housing program. -ADOPTED 3/28/22</i>						
<i>AM2580 (Stinner): Appropriates \$4 million for child care program capacity. Reduces the appropriation to Community and Rural Development for Rural Workforce Housing by \$4 million. -ADOPTED 3/28/22</i>						
<i>AM2608 (Linehan) Excludes joint public agencies from using ARPA funds.-ADOPTED 3/28/22</i>						
<i>AM2610 (Linehan) Limits administrative expenditures to 15% of the appropriation. -ADOPTED 3/28/22</i>						
<i>LB 755 (AM2444), LB867 (AM2561), LB968 (AM2330), LB996 (AM2330), LB1025 (AM2478), LB1203 (AM2580), LB1091 (AM2544), LB1201 (AM2472), LB1203 (AM2580), LB1269 (AM2544), and LB760 (AM2330) amended into LB1014.</i>						
LB1044	Hilkemann	Support	Health and Human Services	02/11/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Adopt the Care Team Innovation Grant Pilot Project Act and state intent regarding federal funds <i>Expresses legislative intent to appropriate \$2 million from ARPA to DHHS to provide grants to hospitals pursuant to the Care Team Innovation Grant Pilot Project Act. Provides grants to fund innovative delivery of health care by hospitals, prioritized and awarded by the ability to improve the health care workforce in Nebraska. Grants are to be used for exploring new inpatient care delivery team models that utilize each health care professional to practice at the top of the individual's credential. Any grant recipient shall report the results of the expenditure of the grant to DHHS by Dec. 31, 2024. DHHS shall share the results with other health care facilities.</i> <i>*NHA Legislation</i>
LB1049	Kolterman	Support	Appropriations	02/03/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate funds to the Supreme Court for the Office of Public Guardian <i>Appropriates \$500,000 from the General Fund for FY 2022-23 and \$500,000 from the General Fund for FY 2023-24 to the Supreme Court, for Program 434, Office of Public Guardian, to hire additional staff. Expresses intent to build in the costs of the additional staff in future budgets.</i> <i>*NHA Legislation</i> <i>LB1049 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>
LB1054	McDonnell	Monitor	Appropriations	02/17/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the University of Nebraska to modernize academic research laboratories and equipment for the College of Education, Health, and Human Sciences at the University of Nebraska at Omaha <i>Appropriates \$16 million from APRA to the University of Nebraska at Omaha to modernize academic research laboratories and equipment for the College of Education, Health, and Human Sciences to support work in the Department of Biomechanics and for the Health and Kinesiology Research, Engagement, and Community Hub initiative.</i>
LB1055	McDonnell	Support	Appropriations	02/22/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for premium-pay to front-line nurses <i>Appropriations \$50 million from ARPA to DHHS to create a program to provide grants to any hospital that employs a front-line nurse. Such grants shall be used to provide a premium-pay bonus to such front-line nurse. A hospital or FQHC is eligible for a grant if it employs a front-line nurse in Nebraska; identifies the front-line nurse who will receive the premium-pay bonus and such front-line nurse is not a professional traveling nurse on contract. Grants shall be based on the number of full-time-equivalent front-line nurses employed by the hospital or FQHC and not be for more than \$5000 per front-line nurse. Front-line nurse means a nurse with direct patient-care responsibilities.</i> <i>*NHA Legislation</i>



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LB1062	Albrecht	Monitor	Business and Labor	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Change provisions relating to compensation for total disability under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act <i>Ends worker compensation for injuries to employees at the age of 72, unless the injury occurred after the employee was age 67, then the compensation for total disability ends after 5 years. Excepts spinal cord injuries, severe brain injuries, and total or industrial blindness from the age limitation.</i>
LB1063	Morfeld	Monitor	Appropriations	02/24/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Labor to increase the number of apprentices and provide premium pay <i>Appropriates \$5 million from ARPA to the Department of Labor to increase the number of apprentices through the registered apprenticeship system administered by the Department with focus on individuals who became unemployed or underemployed due to the COVID-19 public health emergency; and to provide premium pay to existing apprentices who are registered with the registered apprenticeship system and eligible for premium pay pursuant to ARPA, including workers in health care and infrastructure projects.</i>
LB1066	Stinner	Support	Appropriations	02/22/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services and the University of Nebraska for behavioral health care services <i>-Appropriates \$5 million from ARPA to DHHS for purposes of providing grants of up to \$250,000 for capital costs of expanding access to behavioral health acute care beds in rural areas where beds are not currently available or a shortage exists. -Appropriates \$28 million from ARPA to the University of Nebraska to be distributed to the Behavioral Health Education Center to be spent in the following manner: \$13 million for graduate and postgraduate training opportunities such as internships, practicums, and fellowships; \$10 million for the expansion of telebehavioral health services in rural areas; \$3 million for education and training opportunities for students and behavioral health professionals related to behavioral health issues caused or exacerbated by the COVID-19 public health emergency; and \$2 million for stipends for provisionally licensed behavioral health professionals employed in the field of behavioral health.</i>
LB1067	Stinner	Support	Appropriations	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate funds to the University of Nebraska for the Behavioral Health Education Center <i>Appropriates \$10 million from the General Fund for FY 2021-22 and \$10 million from the General Fund for FY 2022-23 to the University of Nebraska for expenditure and distribution to aid in UNMC administering the Behavioral Health Education Center. States that is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate \$10 million from the General Fund for each year thereafter to the University of Nebraska for expenditure and distribution to aid in carrying out these duties.</i>
LB1068	Stinner	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/03/2022	Approved by Governor (E-Clause) on April 18, 2022 04/20/2022 Stinner Priority Bill	Change provisions of the Behavioral Health Workforce Act and require an assessment by the University of Nebraska regarding environmental and human health effects of ethanol production <i>Under current law Behavioral Health Education Center administered by UNMC shall provide funds for up to 9 medical residents in psychiatric residency training program The bill adds 2 positions and expands eligible programs to PAs or psychiatric nurse practitioners—in a NE-based psychiatry program each year. Reduces rural training requirement from one year to three months for each participant, but at least 3 of the 10 participants shall be active in the rural training each year. Increases from 10 to 12 the spots for one-year doctoral-level psychology internships placed to increase access to behavioral health in underserved areas. Adds requirement to provide funds for up to 10 one-year mental health therapist internships or practicums with trainees placed in underserved areas. Adds requirement to educate behavioral health providers and facilities to integrate behavioral health care into primary care practice and licensed health care facilities in order to place well-trained behavioral health providers into primary care practices, behavioral health practices, and rural hospitals for the purpose of increasing access to behavioral health services.</i>

AM2564 (Blood): Adds a requirement for the University of Nebraska to study the long term environmental, ecological, and human health effects of the Mead ethanol treatment facility on chemicals in the water, soil, and air. -ADOPTED 3/31/22

AM2695 (Stinner): Requires BHECN establish partnerships with "schools districts," not "public school districts." -ADOPTED 4/7/22

LB1048 amended into LB1068 (AM2564).



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LB1070	Williams	Support	Appropriations	02/15/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for infrastructure related to rural workforce housing <i>Appropriates \$20 million from ARPA to DED to award grants for infrastructure related to rural workforce housing authorized pursuant to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act. DED may create a program to administer the grants compliant with ARPA.</i>
LB1071	Williams	Support	Appropriations	02/08/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate funds for the workforce housing grant program <i>Appropriates \$30 million from the General Fund for FY 2021-22 to DED, for Program 601 (Housing and Community Development/Operations), for purposes of the grant program described in section 81-1229 (workforce housing grant program).</i> <i>LB1071 amended into LB1011 (AM1999).</i>
LB1072	McDonnell	Monitor	Appropriations	02/24/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for a financial success program <i>Appropriates \$1 million from ARPA to DED to contract with a postsecondary institution that partners with a federally qualified health center in Omaha. Such contract shall require the postsecondary institution to contribute \$2 million in private funding for a financial success program for low-income populations to educate qualified participants in financial literacy, economic stability, chronic disease management, income and benefit enhancement, and housing security, and to provide services for food assistance, improved economic security, and chronic disease management.</i>
LB1075	Stinner	Support	Appropriations	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for technology that will support statewide pediatric mental health services <i>Appropriates \$1.8 million from ARPA to DHHS for Program 38 (behavioral health/aid). DHHS shall provide such funding for any pediatric trauma center in Nebraska to purchase technology that will support statewide pediatric mental health services through telehealth and telemonitoring.</i>
LB1076	Stinner	Support	Appropriations	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services to develop software to streamline coordination of care for children with medically complex conditions <i>Appropriates \$600,000 from ARPA for FY 2022-23 to DHHS for Program 33 (central office/operations). DHHS shall contract with a Nebraska-based pediatric trauma center to develop software to streamline coordination of care for all children in Nebraska with medically complex conditions enrolled in Medicaid.</i>
LB1079	Hansen, B.	Monitor	Appropriations	03/01/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	State intent to appropriate federal funds for disbursement to Nebraska residents as prepaid debit cards <i>Expresses legislative intent to appropriate for FY2022-23 one-half of the amount received from ARPA to the Department of Revenue for distribution directly to residents of Nebraska in the form of a prepaid debit card. The department shall design the card so that it may only be used at a business located in Nebraska, must be used within 12 months.</i>
LB1085	Pansing Brooks	Support	Appropriations	02/28/2022	In Committee 01/20/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the State Department of Education for career and technical educational student organizations <i>Appropriates \$5 million from ARPA to the Department of Education to carry out the Center for Student Leadership and Expanded Learning Act and for career and technical educational student organizations. Expresses legislative intent to appropriate \$1.3 million from the General Fund each fiscal year beginning in FY 2022-23 for administration of the Center for Student Leadership and Expanded Learning Act.</i> <i>*NHA Legislation</i>
LB1086	Geist	Monitor	Judiciary	02/24/2022	Introduced Lowe Priority Bill	Adopt the Chemical Abortion Safety Protocol Act <i>Makes it a criminal act to provide any pregnant person with an abortion inducing drug unless it is provided by a physician before the 49th day of pregnancy. Makes it a misdemeanor if the physician intentionally and knowingly does not schedule a follow up appointment to determine if the pregnancy was terminated. Any physician who provides an abortion inducing drug must file a report with the including the physician's name, drug they gave their patient, if the patient returned for a follow-up, if the patient was referred, and if there were any complications.</i>



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<i>Proposed AM1630 (Hunt): Excludes any health care consultation or procedure under the Chemical Abortion Safety Protocol Act for a person whose pregnancy resulted from incest or sexual assault, regardless of whether such incest or sexual assault was reported, investigated, or prosecuted.</i>						
<i>Proposed AM1633 (Hunt): Excludes any health care consultation or procedure under the Chemical Abortion Safety Protocol Act for a person whose pregnancy resulted from labor or sex trafficking, regardless of whether such trafficking was reported, investigated, or prosecuted.</i>						
LB1088	Stinner	Monitor	Appropriations	02/10/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Transformational Project Fund <i>Transfers \$300 million from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Nebraska Transformational Project Fund on or before June 30, 2023, but keeps language stating no funds shall be expended from the fund unless Nebraska is selected for the project.</i>
LB1089	Stinner	Support	Appropriations	02/22/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for licensed and medicaid-certified nursing facilities <i>Appropriates \$60 million from ARPA to DHHS to provide money to licensed and Medicaid-certified nursing facilities in the following manner: \$45 million to Medicaid-certified nursing facilities divided proportionately by the Medicaid-certified beds at such facilities; and \$15 million divided equally among the Medicaid-certified nursing facilities that were in the top 25% of Medicaid-certified nursing facilities with the highest percentage of bed-days paid by Medicaid in fiscal year 2021-22. The funds shall be used to provide supplemental incentive payments for direct care staff members employed at licensed and Medicaid-certified nursing facilities to enhance employee recruitment and retention.</i>
LB1091	Dorn	Support	Health and Human Services	02/11/2022	General File 02/28/2022	Adopt the Nebraska Nursing Incentive Act and state intent to appropriate federal funds <i>Expresses legislative intent to appropriate \$5 million from ARPA to DHHS to carry out the Nebraska Nursing Incentive Act scholarship program. To qualify for a scholarship, a student shall be a resident of NE, intend to enroll in an approved nursing program, intend to practice as an LPN or nurse aide, and agree in writing to work for two years in NE as an LPN or nurse aid upon completion of the program.</i> <i>*NHA Legislation</i> <i>Proposed AM1875 (Health and Human Services): Caps each scholarship at \$2,500 per semester per student. Extends application of the Nursing Incentive Act to licensed practical nurse, nurse aid, or licensed registered nurses with an associate's degree or diploma or certificate in nursing. Would still not apply to registered nurses with a bachelor's degree or APRNs.</i> <i>LB1091 amended into LB1014 (AM2544).</i>
LB1106	Day	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Change provisions of the Mental Health Practice Act <i>Amends the Mental Health Practice Act's education requirements for licensing of both the mental health practitioner and provisional mental health practitioner. A practitioner, provisional or not, may now qualify with a masters, doctoral, or educational specialist degree, training in therapeutic mental health and a practicum or internship from an educational program approved or accredited by the National Association of School Psychologists. Specifies that the examination must come from the National Association of School Psychologists and adds that nationally certified school psychologists are eligible for certification.</i>
LB1129	Morfeld	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/24/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Provide free contraceptives for women as prescribed <i>The State of Nebraska shall provide free contraceptives that are approved by the FDA to any woman who requests and needs such contraceptives. Such contraceptives shall be distributed through distribution points, including, but not limited to, Title X clinics, family planning clinics, public health clinics, hospitals, and pharmacies.</i> <i>Proposed AM1616 (Morfeld): Clarifies a gender neutral application of the law by changing "woman" to "person."</i>



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LB1131	Morfeld	Support	Appropriations	03/01/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	State intent to appropriate federal funds for bonus payments for teachers, child care workers, and health care workers <i>Provides legislative intent to appropriate ARPA funding (amount unspecified) to provide bonus payments of \$1,000 each for every teacher, child care worker, and health care worker.</i>
LB1133	Morfeld	Oppose	Business and Labor	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Include health care workers within provisions concerning compensability of mental injuries and mental illness under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act <i>The act, which includes mental illness and mental injury under the definition of personal injury for certain professions, would now cover health care workers, which means a physician, physician assistant, nurse, or advanced practice registered nurse. Also states that DHHS shall reimburse a first responder for the cost of annual resilience training not reimbursed by the first responder's employer.</i>
LB1136	Hunt	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/16/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Adopt the Senior Care LGBTQ Discrimination Prevention Act <i>Prohibits a facility (including a long-term hospital) or the staff of a facility from discriminating against an individual or a resident of such facility based on the individual's or resident's sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or human immunodeficiency virus status. Requires a facility to post certain non-discrimination notices and keep records for a resident at the time of admission that include the resident's gender identity and preferred name and pronouns; use doors or other visual barriers to provide privacy for residents whenever the resident is partially or fully unclothed. Facility staff who are not directly involved with providing direct care to a resident shall not be present during a physical examination or the provision of personal care to a resident if the resident is partially or fully unclothed without the permission of the resident or the resident's legally authorized representative. Allows DHHS to take disciplinary action against a facility license for violations.</i>
LB1138	Vargas	Support	Appropriations	03/01/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for local public health departments <i>Appropriates \$16 million from ARPA to DHHS to distribute to local public health departments in the following manner: \$10 million distributed evenly to local public health departments for one-time infrastructure needs and any other costs, including testing, personal protective equipment, and other preventive measures, to combat the COVID-19 virus and any of its mutations; and \$6 million distributed proportionately to local public health departments based on the number of individuals employed at each local public health department for premium pay to such individuals.</i>
LB1139	Hansen, M.		Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Prohibit certain corporations from making contributions or expenditures or providing personal services under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act <i>Prohibits 501(c)(12) corporations, "benevolent life insurance associations of a purely local character and like organizations, mutual ditch or irrigation companies and like organizations [and] mutual or cooperative telephone companies and like organizations" from making political contributions, campaigning for or against a candidate, ballot question, or legislation.</i>
LB1159	Wishart	Support	Appropriations	03/02/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for a model system of care <i>Appropriates \$5 million from ARPA in FY 2022-23 to DHHS with intent to appropriate an additional \$2.5 million from ARPA each year for FY2023-24 and FY2024-25 to establish a grant program for a model system of care for individuals who have recovered from COVID-19 with persistent symptoms, to be awarded to a rehabilitation hospital with the capacity to provide interdisciplinary research. The model system of care shall be a comprehensive program to address persistent COVID-19 symptoms and include post-COVID-19 research; post-COVID-19 clinics; mental health services expanded to address cognitive and psychiatric needs of post-COVID-19 patients; and educational materials for health care providers and the public.</i>
LB1167	Flood	Support	Appropriations	02/24/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Economic Development for internships and expanding and retaining Nebraska's workforce <i>-Appropriates \$30 million from ARPA to DED for enhancing and retaining Nebraska's workforce through an internship grant program. -Appropriates \$20 million from ARPA to the Department of Labor for enhancing and retaining Nebraska's workforce through grant program to Nebraska businesses, economic development or workforce organizations, political subdivisions, nonprofit organizations, and education partners to support training, upskilling, apprenticeship, and apprenticeship program development proposals.</i>

LB1167 amended into LB1012 (AM2000).



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LB1168	Linehan	Monitor	Revenue	02/23/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Provide an income tax deduction for the costs of medical care <i>For tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2023, an individual's federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by the amount paid during the taxable year for medical care (as defined in Section 213 of IRC) of the taxpayer, their spouse, and dependents if expenses were not already deducted from AGI or reimbursed by insurance.</i>
LB1175	Wayne	Monitor	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	02/15/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Prohibit a health insurer from removing a provider as an in-network provider under certain circumstances <i>Allows providers negatively affected by the removal from a network to bring a civil action against the insurer for damages.</i>
LB1177	Bostar	Support	Appropriations	01/31/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for a pilot program for frontline first responders <i>Appropriates \$500,000 from the General Fund for FY2022-23 and \$500,000 from the General Fund for FY2023-24 to DHHS to conduct a comprehensive health and resiliency screening pilot program for frontline first responders. On or before Sept. 1, 2022, DHHS shall contract with a Nebraska-based hospital that has both a clinical affiliation with a public postsecondary educational institution and a partnership with a Nebraska-based accountable care organization to conduct the pilot program. DHHS shall submit a report on the preliminary outcomes of the pilot program to the Appropriations Committee by Dec. 31, 2023.</i>
LB1183	Aguilar	Monitor	Appropriations	02/22/2022	In Committee 01/21/2022	State intent to appropriate federal funds for federally qualified health centers <i>Provides legislative intent to appropriate \$25 million from ARPA to DHHS to be distributed as grants to federally qualified health centers for costs associated with capital projects that will expand health care access to Nebraskans most impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency.</i>
LB1216	Cavanaugh, M.	Monitor	Judiciary	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/24/2022	Change provisions relating to appointment of guardians and conservators <i>Removes prohibition on owners, managers, administrators, employees, or their spouses of any nursing home, room and board home, assisted living facility, or institution engaged in the care, treatment, or housing of any person physically or mentally handicapped, infirm, or aged being appointed guardian of a person residing, receiving treatment or care, of being house in such home, facility, or institution.</i> <i>Proposed AM1949 (M. Cavanaugh): Replaces the bill to create an exception to the prohibition on owners, managers, administrators, employees, or their spouses from being appointed as guardian or conservator of a resident. The exception applies to employees or independent providers who are guardians/conservators or who have a power of attorney for a person alleged to be incapacitated and residing or receiving treatment at such facility and who are also the spouse, adult child, parent, or other relative of the allegedly incapacitated person.</i>
LB1221	Morfeld	Support	Appropriations	02/25/2022	In Committee 01/24/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for remdesivir for patients suffering from COVID-19 <i>Appropriates \$XX from ARPA to DHHS for the purpose of purchasing remdesivir for patients suffering from COVID-19.</i>
LB1223	Hansen, M.	Support	Judiciary	03/03/2022	In Committee 01/24/2022	Require reimbursement for lodging certain defendants in county jails and require state hospitals to maintain beds for certain patients <i>-If a judge orders a defendant to be committed to DHHS to receive treatment to restore competency and such defendant remains lodged in the county jail, DHHS shall reimburse the county for lodging the defendant.</i> <i>-Requires state hospitals for the mentally ill to provide a set minimum number of beds: 30 beds for patients whose care in the state hospital is necessary to protect the public health and safety; 30 beds for defendants determined by a court to be incompetent to stand trial and who remain lodged in the county jail; 90 beds for patients committed by a mental health board under the Mental Health Commitment Act or Sex Offender Commitment Act of by a district court; 30 beds for patients who are most likely to be benefited by treatment in state hospitals regardless of whether such patients are committed or seek voluntary admission; and 20 beds for indigent patients.</i> <i>LB1223 amended into LB921 (AM2503).</i>



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LB1230	Hilkemann	Monitor	Health and Human Services	02/03/2022	In Committee 01/24/2022	Provide for a statewide education program regarding cancer and state intent to appropriate funds from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund <i>Provides DHHS will contract with Nebraska organization which provides comprehensive cancer support and education to provide a statewide education program regarding cancer, its causes, and the resources available to support cancer patients. Provides legislative intent to appropriate \$500,000 annually for such contract and that the contracts be awarded pursuant from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund.</i>
LB1249	Hansen, B.	Support	Health and Human Services	02/02/2022	In Committee 01/24/2022	Change provisions of the Medical Nutrition Therapy Practice Act <i>Updates the scope of practice for medical nutrition therapy in accordance with the 407 credential review performed by DHHS last year. Changes the credential from Licensed Medical Nutrition Therapist to either Licensed Nutritionist or Licensed Dietitian Nutritionist depending on the educational pathway of the applicant.</i> <i>*NAND Legislation</i>
LB1260	DeBoer	Support	Judiciary	02/23/2022	In Committee 01/24/2022	Change provisions relating to the Public Guardianship Act <i>Adds a representative of a hospital licensed under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act to the council on Public Guardianship. Creates an application and process to determine and prioritize individuals seeking guardianship or conservatorship services from the Public Guardian.</i>
LB1264	McDonnell	Oppose	Revenue	02/23/2022	IPP (Killed) 03/31/2022	Change provisions relating to inheritance taxes, sales and use taxes, and income taxes <i>Blueprint Nebraska. Lowers the individual income tax brackets and rates for the years 2022-25, has a separate rate for 2025-28, and for 2028 and beyond. Reduces the top rate for corporate income taxes (paid on taxable income in excess of \$100,000) from 7.25% to 5.6% for before 2025, to 5.30% for 2025-28, and 4.99% for 2028 and beyond. Changes the tax assessed on the clear market value of a decedent's property in excess of \$40,000 received by each person to 0%. Exempts 60% of the gross receipts from the sale, lease, or rental of durable medical equipment. Gives the intent of the legislature to eliminate tax incentive programs and create a program to provide student loan relief. Adds sales tax to a number of services including the first 20% of medical services receipts and legal services; and animal specialty services including veterinary services.</i>
LB1267	Vargas	Support	Appropriations	02/23/2022	In Committee 01/24/2022	Appropriate federal funds for health equity liaisons for various state commissions <i>Appropriates \$500,000 from ARPA to the Commission of Indian Affairs, \$500,000 to the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, \$500,000 to the Commission on African American Affairs, \$500,000 to the Commission for Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and \$500,000 to the Commission on Latino-Americans to employ a health equity liaison and to outline health inequities in the population served by the commission.</i>
LB1269	Murman	Support	Appropriations	02/22/2022	In Committee 01/24/2022	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for repayment of qualified educational debts owed by certain health professionals <i>Appropriates \$10 million from ARPA to the Department of Health and Human Services for the repayment of qualified educational debts owed by eligible health professionals.</i> <i>LB1269 amended into LB1014 (AM2544).</i>
LR11CA	Erdman	Oppose	Revenue	02/03/2021	Failed to Advance 05/05/2021	Constitutional amendment to require enactment of a consumption tax and prohibit certain other forms of taxation <i>Under this proposed constitutional amendment, effective Jan. 1, 2024, the State of Nebraska and all political subdivisions would be prohibited from imposing a tax on income, property inheritances, estates of a deceased person, and a tax sales of goods and services except that the Legislature shall enact a consumption tax which shall apply to purchases of services and new goods, except for fuel, to begin no later than Jan. 1, 2024. The Legislature may authorize political subdivisions to enact their own consumption taxes upon such terms and conditions as the Legislature may provide.</i> <i>AM1259 (Blood): Would require the State to fully fund all unfunded mandates imposed on political subdivisions.-LOST 5/5/21</i>



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LR107	Jacobson		Executive Board	05/06/2021	In Committee 04/27/2021	Request cooperation relating to prevention of unconstitutional abuse of power by state and federal governments <i>Proposed AM1277 (Blood): States that the COVID-19 virus originated in Communist China, that those who love America support safety guidelines and vaccinations while those who support Communist China oppose such safety measures. States we want to defeat communism by wearing masks and social distancing.</i> <i>Proposed AM1276 (Blood): Includes a provision that the Legislature is outraged by the seditious attacks on the US Capitol on January 6, 2021, and the acts of nefarious aggression carried out against the brave law enforcement officers and those sheltering inside the US Capitol building.</i> <i>Proposed AM1385 (Hunt): Recognizes food insecurity and celebrates the Biden administration's summer food program for kids.</i> <i>Proposed AM1384 (Hunt): Recognizes climate change and states gratefulness to President Biden for revoking the Keystone XL Pipeline permit.</i> <i>Proposed AM1383 (Hunt): Recognizes the right to vote, honors and celebrates the rejection of frivolous lawsuits brought by Trump.</i> <i>Proposed AM1382 (Hunt): Recognizes public health's response to COVID 19.</i> <i>Proposed AM1381 (Hunt): Recognizes a right to abortion.</i> <i>Proposed AM1380 (Hunt): Recognizes protection of the US Capitol.</i>
LR264CA	Erdman	Oppose	Revenue	02/03/2022	Failed to Advance 04/05/2022 Erdman Priority Bill	Constitutional amendment to prohibit the imposition of taxes other than retail consumption taxes and excise taxes <i>Under this proposed constitutional amendment, effective Jan. 1, 2024 (if approved by voters in the Nov. 2022 election), notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution to the contrary, no taxes other than retail consumption taxes and excise taxes shall be imposed upon the people of Nebraska.</i> <i>FA181 (M. Hansen): Strike section 1. -WITHDRAWN 4/5/22</i> <i>Proposed FA182 (M. Hansen): Strike section 2.</i> <i>Proposed FA183 (M. Hansen): Strike the enacting clause.</i>
LR327	Vargas		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine issues relating to severe maternal morbidity
LR333	McDonnell		Revenue		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine modernization of Nebraska's tax system with the goal of facilitating economic growth
LR360	Day		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine eligibility, enrollment, application, renewal, and redetermination practices for the medical assistance program and the Children's Health Insurance Program under the Dept. of Health and Human Services



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LR361	Bostar		Banking, Commerce and Insurance		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine insurance coverage for lung cancer screenings and make recommendations
LR379	Day		Judiciary		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine fentanyl distribution in Nebraska
LR383	Erdman		Revenue		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to explore best practices for the implementation of a consumption tax in Nebraska
LR384	Cavanaugh, M.		Judiciary		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to investigate laws and procedures pertaining to the use of emergency protective custody
LR389	Day		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine how information on all Parkinson's disease cases can best be collected and reported to the Parkinson's Disease Registry
LR390	Murman		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to review the current medicaid reimbursement model and processes for Nebraska's critical access hospitals
LR397	McDonnell		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine the needs, workforce, and funding streams for mental health care across Nebraska
LR408	McKinney		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine ways to grow and diversify Nebraska's health care workforce
LR409	Arch		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine the Dept. of Health and Human Services' capacity and resources to treat individuals who have been committed to the department for treatment to restore competency to stand trial
LR411	Arch		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Health and Human Services Committee
LR417	Hansen, B.		Health and Human Services		In Committee 04/05/2022	Interim study to review the current medicaid reimbursement rates and processes for difficult to place patients in Nebraska's acute care hospitals