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106th Nebraska Legislature

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The First Session of the 106th Nebraska Legislature convened on January 9, 2019. The Legislature completed bill introductions on January 23, 2019, and will not introduce any more bills this Session. After the first five days of bill introductions, we identified ten bills warranting particular attention. Summaries of these bills are available here. After days six through ten, we identified eighteen additional bills. Summaries of these bills are available here.

An updated chart of First Session bills related to economic development, governmental/municipal law, real estate/financial transactions, energy/renewable energy, telecommunications, taxation, and healthcare is available below. We will continue to update and republish the chart as the Session progresses.

Copies of all bills are available on the Nebraska Legislature's website at http://www.nebraskalegislature.gov/bills/. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions about these bills or any others. Thank you.

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Bill	Summary	Introducer	Committee	Hearing Date	Current Status	
Economic Development						
<u>LB23</u>	Change the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act	Kolterman	Urban Affairs Committee	2/5/19	Committee	
<u>LB68</u>	Change provisions of the Business Improvement District Act as prescribed	Hansen, M.	Urban Affairs Committee	2/19/19	Committee	

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<u>LB86</u>	Change provisions relating to the allocation of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the collection and remittance of the documentary stamp tax	Wayne	Revenue Committee	1/25/19	Committee
<u>LB100</u>	State intent relating to an appropriation to the Nebraska State Historical Society	Wayne	Appropriations Committee		Committee
<u>LB124</u>	Change provisions relating to jointly created clean energy assessment districts under the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act	Crawford	Urban Affairs Committee	2/5/19	Committee
LB136	Adopt the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act	Wayne	Urban Affairs Committee	2/19/19	Committee
<u>LB187</u>	Change the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	Lindstrom	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB310</u>	Change procedures for tax credits under the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act	Vargas	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB413</u>	Change applications submission deadlines under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Brandt	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB417</u>	Change application deadlines under certain tax incentive programs	Friesen	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB419</u>	Change the Nebraska Advantage Act and create a fund and grant program	Bolz	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB437</u>	Change application deadlines under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Linehan	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB535</u>	Prohibit employment discrimination by qualified businesses under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Cavanaugh	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB604</u>	Authorize High-Wage Jobs and Capital Investment Creation Fund entities and provide grants, loans, and economic assistance to such entities	Lindstrom	Business and Labor Committee		Committee
<u>LB613</u>	Change application deadlines under certain tax incentive programs	Crawford	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB720	Adopt the ImagiNE Nebraska Act and provide tax incentives	Kolterman	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB724	Provide requirements for boards of directors in order to qualify for incentives under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Vargas	Revenue Committee		Committee

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Energy / F	Renewable Energy				
<u>LB16</u>	Provide for withhold of records relating to certain critical infrastructure	Briese	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB65</u>	Authorize a licensing exception under the State Electrical Act	Groene	General Affaird Committee	1/28/19	Committee
<u>LB76</u>	Change provisions relating to the nameplate capacity tax	Williams	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB218	Redefine tangible personal property and gross receipts for tax purposes	Lindstrom	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB241	Provide for teacher mentoring program grants using income from solar and wind agreements on school lands	Bolz	Education Committee	1/28/19	Committee
<u>LB283</u>	Provide for a climate change study	Pansing Brooks	Executive Board		Committee
LB285	State intent to appropriate funds to the Nebraska Power Review Board for a study and state public policy	McCollister	Natural Resources Committee		Committee
LB302	Merge the State Energy Office with and rename the Department of Environmental Quality	Hughes	Natural Resources Committee	1/30/19	Committee
<u>LB366</u>	Change registration fee for alternative fuel-powered motor vehicles	Bostelman	Transportation and Telecommunications Committee		Committee
<u>LB373</u>	Provide setback and zoning requirements for wind energy generation projects	Brewer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee	1/31/19	Committee
<u>LB456</u>	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for certain machinery and equipment used to produce electricity	Lathrop	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB509	Redefine the terms net metering and qualified facility and change powers and duties of a local distribution utility	McCollister	Natural Resources Committee		Committee
LB585	Create the Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Program, Eliminate a sales tax exemption, and provide for grants	Friesen	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB621	Change provisions relating to solar energy and wind energy, declare certain instruments void and unenforceable, and provide for a civil cause of action	Kolowski	Judiciary Committee		Committee
<u>LB700</u>	Provide for decommissioning and reclamation of wind energy conversion system	Bostelman	Natural Resources Committee		Committee

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LB704	Provide for a request for proposals for renewable energy for stateowned buildings and a study regarding state vehicles	McCollister	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
Governme	ental / Municipal Law				
LB11	Provide for interlocal agreements regarding nuisances	Blood	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs Committee	1/29/19	Committee
<u>LB20</u>	Require voter approval of public building commission bonds	Briese	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs Committee	1/24/19	Committee
LB21	Provide formal protest procedures for certain state contracts for services	Kolterman	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB67</u>	Change provisions relating to determination of municipality population thresholds and references to cities, villages, and governing bodies	Hansen, M.	Urban Affairs Committee	1/22/19	General File
<u>LB95</u>	Change applicability provisions for building codes	Wayne	Urban Affairs Committee	2/12/19	Committee
<u>LB96</u>	Change local building code provisions	Wayne	Urban Affairs Committee	2/12/19	Committee
LB101	Change provisions of the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act relating to a potential conflict of interest by an elected office holder of certain cities or villages or a school district	Wayne	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs Committee		Committee
LB148	Change requirements for public hearings on proposed budget statements and notices of meetings of public bodies	Groene	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB150</u>	Change provisions relating to access to public records and provide for fees	Brewer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
LB151	Adopt the Government Neutrality in Contracting Act	Brewer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB155</u>	Eliminate authority for eminent domain by certain political subdivisions	Brewer	Natural Resources Committee		Committee

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LB193	Change provisions relating to cities of particular classes and villages, correct and include references as prescribed, and eliminate obsolete provisions and repeal definitions	Urban Affairs Committee	Urban Affairs Committee	1/22/19	General File
<u>LB194</u>	Change provisions relating to cities of the first class as prescribed	Urban Affairs Committee	Urban Affairs Committee	1/22/19	General File
<u>LB196</u>	Change provisions relating to notices of certain zoning matters in cities of the metropolitan class and for hearings under the Business Improvement District Act	Urban Affairs Committee	Urban Affairs Committee	1/22/19	General File
LB204	Require approval of voters for bonds under the Interlocal Cooperation Act	Briese	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee	1/24/19	Committee
<u>LB210</u>	Change independent expenditure reporting requirements and require electioneering reporting	Crawford	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
LB212	Change requirements for videoconferencing and telephone conferencing under the Open Meetings Act	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
LB254	Adopt the Fair Chance Hiring Act	McCollister	Business and Labor Committee		Committee
<u>LB261</u>	Require use of redistricting maps drawn using state-issued computer software	DeBoer	Executive Board		Committee
<u>LB307</u>	Change provisions relating to certain Department of Environmental Quality Funds	Albrecht	Natural Resources Committee	1/31/19	Committee
<u>LB385</u>	Change election provisions for the board of trustees of the Nebraska State Historical Society	Erdman	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB394</u>	State intent relating to an appropriation to the Department of Transportation	Wishart	Appropriations Committee		Committee
<u>LB411</u>	Provide an additional method of changing the number of county commissioners	Scheer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB412</u>	Require an election regarding creation of a joint public agency	Geist	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB445</u>	Require a city of the metropolitan class to provide an annual budget report relating to use of any occupation tax levied and collected	McDonnell	Urban Affairs Committee	2/26/19	Committee

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<u>LB452</u>	Change boundaries of Nebraska planning and development regions and provide a procedure for a county to move to an adjacent region	Clements	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
LB492	Adopt the Regional Metropolitan Transit Authority Act	Wayne	Urban Affairs Committee	2/26/19	Committee
<u>LB564</u>	Change the Civic and Community Center Financing Act	Bolz	Urban Affairs Committee		Committee
LB581	Require the use of generally accepted accounting principles in preparing budgets under the Nebraska Budget Act	Albrecht	Government, Military and Veterans Committee		Committee
<u>LB583</u>	Provide powers for certain counties under the Transportation Innovation Act	Hilgers	Government, Military and Veterans Committee		Committee
<u>LB731</u>	Change provisions relating to new or updated comprehensive plans adopted by municipalities	Hunt	Urban Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB736</u>	Provide restrictions on occupation taxes, license fees, and regulation by counties and municipalities	Murman	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee
Healthcar	e		_		
<u>LB89</u>	Change certain marijuana penalties	Wayne	Judiciary Committee		Committee
LB110 Wishart Priority	Adopt the Medical Cannabis Act	Wishart	Judiciary Committee	1/25/19	Committee
<u>LB159</u>	Change provisions of the Nebraska Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act	Williams	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee		Committee
LB216	Prohibit releasing a person in custody to avoid medical costs	Kolterman	Judiciary Committee		Committee
LB409	Adopt design standards for health care facilities	Kolowski	Urban Affairs Committee	2/12/19	Committee
<u>LB457</u>	Define and redefine terms relating to industrial hemp under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	Lathrop	Judiciary Committee		Committee
<u>LB597</u>	Require reporting incidents and development of policies for assisted-living facilities	Walz	Health and Human Services Committee		Committee
LB659	Remove cannabidiol from list of controlled substances	Wayne	Judiciary Committee		Committee
Liquor					
<u>LB56</u>	Change special designated licensure provisions under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	Lowe	General Affairs Committee	1/28/19	Committee

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Real Esta	te / Financial Transactions				
LB28	Authorize damages for property taxes and special assessments paid on property lost through adverse possession	Kolterman	Judiciary Committee	1/24/19	Committee
<u>LB30</u>	Change and eliminate provisions under the Professional Landscape Architects Act	Kolterman	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs Committee	1/25/19	Committee
<u>LB42</u>	Provide certain responsibilities and a duty under the Condominium Property Act and a duty under the Nebraska Condominium Act	Hilkemann	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee	1/28/19	Committee
LB57	Prohibit regulation of short-term rentals and provide for taxation agreements	Morfeld	Urban Affairs Committee	1/29/19	Committee
<u>LB70</u>	Adopt the Uniform Voidable Transactions Act and eliminate the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act	Hanse, M.	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee	1/28/19	Committee
<u>LB85</u>	Provide for a rental housing inspection program for a city of the metropolitan class of a city of the primary class	Wayne	Urban Affairs Committee	1/22/19	Committee
<u>LB87</u>	Provide funding in opportunity zones designated pursuant to federal law	Wayne	Urban Affairs Committee	2/19/19	Committee
<u>LB145</u>	Change power of attorney provisions relating to banks and other financial institutions	Hansen, M.	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee		Committee
<u>LB146</u>	Change liability and damages provisions for refusal to accept acknowledged power of attorney	Hansen, M.	Judiciary Committee	1/24/19	Committee
LB186	Adopt the Online Notary Public Act	Lindstrom	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee	1/25/19	Committee
LB188	Change the rate of interest charge on loans under the Nebraska Installment Loan Act	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee	1/29/19	Committee
<u>LB203</u>	Change provisions of the Music Licensing Agency Act	Briese	General Affairs Committee		Committee
<u>LB264</u>	Redefine premises under the Disposition of Personal Property Landlord and Tenant Act	La Grone	Judiciary Committee	1/24/19	Committee

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LB265	Adopt the Unsecured Consumer Loan Licensing Act and clarify licensing provisions under the Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act and the Nebraska Installment Loan Act	La Grone	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee		Committee
LB317	Eliminate Public Service Commission inspection authority under the Nebraska Uniform Standards for Modular Housing Units Act and eliminate applicability and references to manufactured homes under the Uniform Standard Code for Manufactured Homes and Recreational Vehicles and rename the code	Kolterman	Urban Affairs Committee	2/5/19	Committee
LB348	Adopt changes to the state building code	Quick	Urban Affairs Committee	2/12/19	Committee
LB355	Change provisions relating to money transmitters, installment sales, and mortgage loans	La Grone	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	1/29/19	Committee
LB379	Change provisions under the Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act and the Nebraska Installment Loan Act	Kolterman	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee		Committee
<u>LB393</u>	Increase the documentary stamp tax	Groene	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB395	Change landlord's power of possession provisions in cases of domestic violence	Hansen, M.	Judiciary Committee		Committee
LB396	Change landlord and tenant provisions relating to continuances and rental deposits	Hansen, M.	Judiciary Committee		Committee
<u>LB405</u>	Adopt updates to building and energy codes	Hunt	Urban Affairs Committee	2/12/19	Committee
<u>LB407</u>	Grant in-state credit unions powers of out-of-state credit unions as prescribed	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee		Committee
<u>LB424</u>	Change the Nebraska Municipal Land Bank Act	Quick	Urban Affairs Committee	2/19/19	Committee
LB463	Change provisions of the One-Call Notification System Act	Williams	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB602</u>	Adopt the Domestic Stock Insurance Company Division Act	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee		Committee
LB633	Change provisions relating to real property owner information available to the public	Wishart	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee		Committee

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<u>LB689</u>	Prohibit discrimination by a seller of landlord on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or citizenship status in any real estate transaction or lease	Cavanaugh	Judiciary Committee		Committee
Tax Increr	nent Financing				
<u>LB432</u>	Include tax-increment financing valuation in adjusted valuations for purposes of state aid to schools and change school district levy authority	Groene	Education Committee		Committee
LB648	Change the Community Development Law	Wayne	Urban Affairs Committee		Committee
LR14CA	Constitutional amendment to authorize municipalities to pledge property taxes for up to twenty years in more than one-half of the property in a redevelopment project is extremely blighted	Wayne	Urban Affairs Committee		Committee
Taxes and	Tax Equalization and Review Com	mission			
LB158	Change provisions relating to the assessed value of real property	Brewer	Revenue Committee	1/24/19	Committee
<u>LB250</u>	Change provisions relating to agricultural land and horticultural land receiving special valuations	Walz	Revenue Committee	1/30/19	Committee
<u>LB289</u>	Change provisions relating to county assessor inspections of real property for property tax purposes	Linehan	Revenue Committee	2/1/19	Committee
LB314	Adopt the Remote Seller Sales Tax Collection Act and change revenue and taxation provisions	Briese	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB349	Provide sales and use tax collection duties for certain peer-to-peer rentals of vehicles	Friesen	Revenue Committee		Committee
<u>LB493</u>	Change provisions relating to property tax exemptions under the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	Wayne	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB512	Change revenue and taxation provisions	Linehan	Revenue Committee	1/31/19	Committee
LB601	Change a property tax exemption relating to educational, religious, charitable, and cemetery organizations	Lindstrom	Revenue Committee		Committee
LB614	Change revenue and taxation provisions	Crawford	Revenue Committee		Committee
Telecomm	nunications				
<u>LB29</u>	Provide and eliminate telehealth provisions	Kolterman	Health and Human Services Committee		Committee

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<u>LB116</u>	Authorize electronic delivery of insurance policies and billing information to insureds	Kolterman	Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee		Committee
<u>LB184</u>	Adopt the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act	Friesen	Transportation and Telecommunications Committee	2/4/19	Committee
LB208	Provide an exception for leasing dark fiber or providing certain telecommunications and related services by a state agency or political subdivision	Walz	Transportation and Telecommunications Committee	2/4/19	Committee
<u>LB401</u>	Adopt the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact	Quick	Transportation and Telecommunications Committee		Committee