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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. Updates on those bills are available here and 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						
LB23 Speaker Priority	Change the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act	Kolterman	Urban Affairs	2/5/19	Select File	
<u>LB68</u>	Change provisions of the Business Improvement District Act as prescribed	Hansen, M.	Urban Affairs	2/19/19	General File	

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LB86 Wayne Priority	Change provisions relating to the allocation of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the collection and remittance of the documentary stamp tax	Wayne	Revenue	1/25/19	Committee
LB100	State intent relating to an appropriation to the Nebraska State Historical Society	Wayne	Appropriations	3/1/19	Committee
<u>LB124</u>	Change provisions relating to jointly created clean energy assessment districts under the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act	Crawford	Urban Affairs	2/5/19	Approved
<u>LB136</u>	Adopt the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act	Wayne	Urban Affairs	2/19/19	Committee
<u>LB187</u>	Change the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	Lindstrom	Revenue	2/22/19	Committee
<u>LB310</u>	Change procedures for tax credits under the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act	Vargas	Revenue	2/13/19	General File
<u>LB413</u>	Change applications submission deadlines under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Brandt	Revenue	3/6/19	Committee
<u>LB417</u>	Change application deadlines under certain tax incentive programs	Friesen	Revenue	3/6/19	Committee
<u>LB419</u>	Change the Nebraska Advantage Act and create a fund and grant program	Bolz	Revenue	3/6/19	Committee
<u>LB437</u>	Change application deadlines under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Linehan	Revenue	3/13/19	Committee
<u>LB535</u>	Prohibit employment discrimination by qualified businesses under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Cavanaugh	Revenue	3/15/19	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	2/4/19	Committee
LB613	Change application deadlines under certain tax incentive programs	Crawford	Revenue	3/6/19	Committee
LB720 Kolterman Priority	Adopt the ImagiNE Nebraska Act and provide tax incentives	Kolterman	Revenue	3/6/19	Committee
LB724	Provide requirements for boards of directors in order to qualify for incentives under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Vargas	Revenue	3/15/19	Committee

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Energy / R	Renewable Energy				
<u>LB16</u>	Provide for withhold of records relating to certain critical infrastructure	Briese	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/8/19	Approved
<u>LB65</u>	Authorize a licensing exception under the State Electrical Act	Groene	General Affairs	1/28/19	Approved
<u>LB76</u>	Change provisions relating to the nameplate capacity tax	Williams	Revenue	2/8/19	General File
LB218 Speaker Priority	Redefine tangible personal property and gross receipts for tax purposes	Lindstrom	Revenue	2/22/19	Enrollment and Review Engrossment
<u>LB241</u>	Provide for teacher mentoring program grants using income from solar and wind agreements on school lands	Bolz	Education	1/28/19	Committee
<u>LB283</u>	Provide for a climate change study	Pansing Brooks	Executive Board	2/11/19	Committee
<u>LB285</u>	State intent to appropriate funds to the Nebraska Power Review Board for a study and state public policy	McCollister	Natural Resources	3/14/19	Committee
<u>LB302</u>	Merge the State Energy Office with and rename the Department of Environmental Quality	Hughes	Natural Resources	1/30/19	Approved
<u>LB366</u>	Change registration fee for alternative fuel-powered motor vehicles	Bostelman	Transportation and Telecommunications	2/26/19	Committee
<u>LB373</u>	Provide setback and zoning requirements for wind energy generation projects	Brewer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	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	3/14/19	Committee
<u>LB509</u>	Redefine the terms net metering and qualified facility and change powers and duties of a local distribution utility	McCollister	Natural Resources	3/14/19	Committee
LB585 Murman Priority	Create the Renewable Fuel Infrastructure Program, Eliminate a sales tax exemption, and provide for grants	Friesen	Revenue	3/13/19	Enrollment and Review Initial
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	2/21/19	Committee
LB700 Committee Priority	Provide for decommissioning and reclamation of wind energy conversion system	Bostelman	Natural Resources	3/6/19	General File

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<u>LB704</u>	Provide for a request for proposals for renewable energy for state-owned buildings and a study regarding state vehicles	McCollister	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	3/15/19	Committee
Governme	ental / Municipal Law				
<u>LB11</u>	Provide for interlocal agreements regarding nuisances	Blood	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs	1/29/19	Approved
<u>LB20</u>	Require voter approval of public building commission bonds	Briese	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs	1/24/19	Committee
<u>LB21</u>	Provide formal protest procedures for certain state contracts for services	Kolterman	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs	2/20/19	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	1/22/19	Approved
<u>LB95</u>	Change applicability provisions for building codes	Wayne	Urban Affairs	2/12/19	Committee
LB96 Speaker Priority	Change local building code provisions	Wayne	Urban Affairs	2/12/19	General File
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	2/22/19	General File
<u>LB148</u>	Change requirements for public hearings on proposed budget statements and notices of meetings of public bodies	Groene	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/6/19	General File
<u>LB150</u>	Change provisions relating to access to public records and provide for fees	Brewer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/8/19	Committee
<u>LB151</u>	Adopt the Government Neutrality in Contracting Act	Brewer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/20/19	Committee
LB155 Brewer Priority	Eliminate authority for eminent domain by certain political subdivisions	Brewer	Natural Resources	2/7/19	General File
<u>LB193</u>	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	1/22/19	Approved
LB194	Change provisions relating to cities of the first class as prescribed	Urban Affairs Committee	Urban Affairs	1/22/19	Approved

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LB196	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	1/22/19	Approved
<u>LB204</u>	Require approval of voters for bonds under the Interlocal Cooperation Act	Briese	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	1/24/19	Committee
<u>LB210</u>	Change independent expenditure reporting requirements and require electioneering reporting	Crawford	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	3/13/19	Committee
LB212 Speaker Priority	Change requirements for videoconferencing and telephone conferencing under the Open Meetings Act	Government Military and Veterans Affairs Committee	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	1/6/19	Enrollment and Review Engrossment
LB242	Adopt the Infrastructure Improvement and Replacement Assistance Act and provide for a turnback of state sales tax revenue	Lindstrom	Revenue	2/22/19	Committee
LB254	Adopt the Fair Chance Hiring Act	McCollister	Business and Labor	2/4/19	General File
LB261	Require use of redistricting maps drawn using state-issued computer software	DeBoer	Executive Board	2/14/19	Committee
<u>LB307</u>	Change provisions relating to certain Department of Environmental Quality Funds	Albrecht	Natural Resources	1/31/19	Approved
<u>LB385</u>	Change election provisions for the board of trustees of the Nebraska State Historical Society	Erdman	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/13/19	General File
<u>LB394</u>	State intent relating to an appropriation to the Department of Transportation	Wishart	Appropriations	3/21/19	Committee
LB411 Committee Priority	Provide an additional method of changing the number of county commissioners	Scheer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/14/19	Select File
LB412	Require an election regarding creation of a joint public agency	Geist	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/7/19	Committee
LB445 Speaker Priority	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	2/26/19	Select File
LB452	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	2/20/19	General File
<u>LB466</u>	Adopt the Redistricting Act	Howard	Executive Board	2/14/19	Committee

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<u>LB473</u>	Change revenue and taxation provisions relating to judgments against public, corporations and political subdivisions, authorize certain loans, and provide powers and duties to the State Treasurer	Dorn	Revenue	2/28/19	Committee
LB492 Committee Priority	Adopt the Regional Metropolitan Transit Authority Act	Wayne	Urban Affairs	2/26/19	Committee
<u>LB564</u>	Change the Civic and Community Center Financing Act	Bolz	Urban Affairs	3/5/19	Committee
<u>LB581</u>	Require the use of generally accepted accounting principles in preparing budgets under the Nebraska Budget Act	Albrecht	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	3/20/19	Committee
LB583 Arch Priority	Provide powers for certain counties under the Transportation Innovation Act	Hilgers	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	3/1/19	General File
<u>LB731</u>	Change provisions relating to new or updated comprehensive plans adopted by municipalities	Hunt	Urban Affairs	3/5/19	General File
<u>LB736</u>	Provide restrictions on occupation taxes, license fees, and regulation by counties and municipalities	Murman	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/28/19	Committee
Healthcare					
<u>LB89</u>	Change certain marijuana penalties	Wayne	Judiciary	3/20/19	Committee
LB110 Wishart Priority	Adopt the Medical Cannabis Act	Wishart	Judiciary	1/25/19	Committee
LB159	Change provisions of the Nebraska Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act	Williams	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	2/5/19	Approved
<u>LB216</u>	Prohibit releasing a person in custody to avoid medical costs	Kolterman	Judiciary	2/6/19	Committee
<u>LB409</u>	Adopt design standards for health care facilities	Kolowski	Urban Affairs	2/12/19	Passed
<u>LB457</u>	Define and redefine terms relating to industrial hemp under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	Lathrop	Judiciary	2/13/19	General File
<u>LB597</u>	Require reporting incidents and development of policies for assisted-living facilities	Walz	Health and Human Services	3/1/19	Committee
<u>LB659</u>	Remove cannabidiol from list of controlled substances	Wayne	Judiciary	2/20/19	Committee

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Liquor								
<u>LB56</u>	Change special designated licensure provisions under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	Lowe	General Affairs	1/28/19	Approved			
Real Esta	Real Estate / Financial Transactions							
LB28	Authorize damages for property taxes and special assessments paid on property lost through adverse possession	Kolterman	Judiciary	1/24/19	Committee			
<u>LB30</u>	Change and eliminate provisions under the Professional Landscape Architects Act	Kolterman	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs	1/25/19	General File			
LB42	Provide certain responsibilities and a duty under the Condominium Property Act and a duty under the Nebraska Condominium Act	Hilkemann	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	1/28/19	Approved			
LB57	Prohibit regulation of short-term rentals and provide for taxation agreements	Morfeld	Urban Affairs	1/29/19	Approved			
<u>LB70</u>	Adopt the Uniform Voidable Transactions Act and eliminate the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act	Hanse, M.	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	1/28/19	Approved			
<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	1/22/19	General File			
LB87 Speaker Priority	Provide funding in opportunity zones designated pursuant to federal law	Wayne	Urban Affairs	2/19/19	Enrollment and Review Engrossment			
LB145	Change power of attorney provisions relating to banks and other financial institutions	Hansen, M.	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	2/12/19	Approved			
<u>LB146</u>	Change liability and damages provisions for refusal to accept acknowledged power of attorney	Hansen, M.	Judiciary	1/24/19	Approved			
LB186	Adopt the Online Notary Public Act	Lindstrom	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	1/25/19	Final Reading			
<u>LB188</u>	Change the rate of interest charged on loans under the Nebraska Installment Loan Act	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	1/29/19	Select File			
<u>LB203</u>	Change provisions of the Music Licensing Agency Act	Briese	General Affairs	2/4/19	Approved			
LB264	Redefine premises under the Disposition of Personal Property Landlord and Tenant Act	La Grone	Judiciary	1/24/19	Approved			

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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	3/12/19	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	2/5/19	Committee
<u>LB348</u>	Adopt changes to the state building code	Quick	Urban Affairs	2/12/19	Passed
LB355	Change provisions relating to money transmitters, installment sales, and mortgage loans	La Grone	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	1/29/19	Approved
LB379 Speaker Priority	Change provisions under the Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act and the Nebraska Installment Loan Act	Kolterman	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	3/12/19	General File
LB393	Increase the documentary stamp tax	Groene	Revenue	2/8/19	Committee
<u>LB395</u>	Change landlord's power of possession provisions in cases of domestic violence	Hansen, M.	Judiciary	3/1/19	Committee
<u>LB396</u>	Change landlord and tenant provisions relating to continuances and rental deposits	Hansen, M.	Judiciary	3/1/19	General File
<u>LB405</u>	Adopt updates to building and energy codes	Hunt	Urban Affairs	2/12/19	Select File
LB407	Grant in-state credit unions powers of out-of-state credit unions as prescribed	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	2/26/19	Committee
LB424 Stinner Priority	Change the Nebraska Municipal Land Bank Act	Quick	Urban Affairs	2/19/19	General File
LB463 Williams Priority	Change provisions of the One-Call Notification System Act	Williams	Revenue	2/8/19	Approved
<u>LB523</u>	Provide a documentary stamp tax exemption for certain deeds and property tax exemption for certain charitable organizations	Linehan	Revenue	2/8/19	Committee

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<u>LB602</u>	Adopt the Domestic Stock Insurance Company Division Act	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	3/12/19	Committee
<u>LB633</u>	Change provisions relating to real property owner information available to the public	Wishart	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	3/1/19	Committee
<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	3/1/19	Committee
Tax Increr	ment 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	3/5/19	Committee
<u>LB648</u>	Change the Community Development Law	Wayne	Urban Affairs	3/5/19	Committee
LR14CA Committee Priority	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	3/5/19	Enrollment and Review Engrossment
Taxes and	I Tax Equalization and Review Com	mission			
LB158	Change provisions relating to the assessed value of real property	Brewer	Revenue	1/24/19	Committee
LB250	Change provisions relating to agricultural land and horticultural land receiving special valuations	Walz	Revenue	1/30/19	Committee
LB289 Committee Priority	Change provisions relating to county assessor inspections of real property for property tax purposes	Linehan	Revenue	4/18/19	Committee
LB314	Adopt the Remote Seller Sales Tax Collection Act and change revenue and taxation provisions	Briese	Revenue	2/14/19	Committee
<u>LB349</u>	Provide sales and use tax collection duties for certain peer-to-peer rentals of vehicles	Friesen	Revenue	3/14/19	Committee
LB493	Change provisions relating to property tax exemptions under the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	Wayne	Revenue	2/28/19	Committee
LB507	Impose sales tax on certain services and eliminate sales tax exemptions	Briese	Revenue	3/1/19	Committee

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<u>LB508</u>	Impose sales and use taxes on certain services, eliminate sales tax exemptions, and use the increased revenue for property tax credits	Briese	Revenue	3/1/19	Committee
LB512 Moser Priority	Change revenue and taxation provisions	Linehan	Revenue	1/31/19	Select File
LB601	Change a property tax exemption relating to educational, religious, charitable, and cemetery organizations	Lindstrom	Revenue	3/27/19	Committee
LB614	Change revenue and taxation provisions	Crawford	Revenue	3/1/19	Committee
Telecomm	nunications				
<u>LB29</u>	Provide and eliminate telehealth provisions	Kolterman	Health and Human Services	2/6/19	Approved
LB116	Authorize electronic delivery of insurance policies and billing information to insureds	Kolterman	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	2/12/19	Approved
LB184 Committee Priority	Adopt the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act	Friesen	Transportation and Telecommunications	2/4/19	General File
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	2/4/19	Committee
<u>LB401</u>	Adopt the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact	Quick	Transportation and Telecommunications	3/5/19	Committee