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The First Session of the 106th Nebraska Legislature convened on January 9, 2019. The Legislature adjourned *sine die* six legislative days early on May 31, 2019. After bill introductions, we identified twenty-eight bills warranting particular attention. [Here](#) is the final statuses of those bills.

A final 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.

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	Approved
LB68	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	Approved
LB100	State intent relating to an appropriation to the Nebraska State Historical Society	Wayne	Appropriations	3/1/19	Committee
LB124	Change provisions relating to jointly created clean energy assessment districts under the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act	Crawford	Urban Affairs	2/5/19	Approved
LB136	Adopt the Density Bonus and Inclusionary Housing Act	Wayne	Urban Affairs	2/19/19	Committee
LB187	Change the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	Lindstrom	Revenue	2/22/19	Committee
LB310	Change procedures for tax credits under the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act	Vargas	Revenue	2/13/19	General File
LB413	Change applications submission deadlines under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Brandt	Revenue	3/6/19	Committee
LB417	Change application deadlines under certain tax incentive programs	Friesen	Revenue	3/6/19	Committee
LB419	Change the Nebraska Advantage Act and create a fund and grant program	Bolz	Revenue	3/6/19	Committee
LB437	Change application deadlines under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Linehan	Revenue	3/13/19	Committee
LB535	Prohibit employment discrimination by qualified businesses under the Nebraska Advantage Act	Cavanaugh	Revenue	3/15/19	Committee
LB604	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	Select File
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 / Renewable Energy					
LB16	Provide for withhold of records relating to certain critical infrastructure	Briese	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/8/19	Approved
LB65	Authorize a licensing exception under the State Electrical Act	Groene	General Affairs	1/28/19	Approved
LB76	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	Approved
LB241	Provide for teacher mentoring program grants using income from solar and wind agreements on school lands	Bolz	Education	1/28/19	Committee
LB283	Provide for a climate change study	Pansing Brooks	Executive Board	2/11/19	Committee
LB285	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
LB302	Merge the State Energy Office with and rename the Department of Environmental Quality	Hughes	Natural Resources	1/30/19	Approved
LB366	Change registration fee for alternative fuel-powered motor vehicles	Bostelman	Transportation and Telecommunications	2/26/19	Committee
LB373	Provide setback and zoning requirements for wind energy generation projects	Brewer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	1/31/19	Committee
LB456	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for certain machinery and equipment used to produce electricity	Lathrop	Revenue	3/14/19	Committee
LB509	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	Approved
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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LB704	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
Governmental / Municipal Law					
LB11	Provide for interlocal agreements regarding nuisances	Blood	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs	1/29/19	Approved
LB20	Require voter approval of public building commission bonds	Briese	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs	1/24/19	Committee
LB21	Provide formal protest procedures for certain state contracts for services	Kolterman	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs	2/20/19	Committee
LB67	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
LB95	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	Approved
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	Indefinitely Postponed
LB148	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
LB150	Change provisions relating to access to public records and provide for fees	Brewer	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/8/19	Committee
LB151	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	Approved
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	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
LB204	Require approval of voters for bonds under the Interlocal Cooperation Act	Briese	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	1/24/19	Committee
LB210	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	Approved
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
LB307	Change provisions relating to certain Department of Environmental Quality Funds	Albrecht	Natural Resources	1/31/19	Approved
LB334 Committee Priority	Change provisions relating to Nebraska planning and development regions, eliminate funding for the Angel Investment Tax Credit Act, and increase funding and eliminate a termination date for the Business Innovation Act	Stinner	Appropriations	3/13/19	Approved
LB385	Change election provisions for the board of trustees of the Nebraska State Historical Society	Erdman	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/13/19	Indefinitely Postponed
LB394	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	Approved
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	Approved

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LB447	Exempt certain employees of the Nebraska State Historical Society from the State Personnel System and change election provisions for the board of trustees of the Nebraska State Historical Society	McDonnell	Government, Military and Veteran Affairs	2/13/19	Approved
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	Indefinitely Postponed
LB466	Adopt the Redistricting Act	Howard	Executive Board	2/14/19	Committee
LB473	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	Certificate
LB564	Change the Civic and Community Center Financing Act	Bolz	Urban Affairs	3/5/19	Approved
LB581	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	Approved
LB731	Change provisions relating to new or updated comprehensive plans adopted by municipalities	Hunt	Urban Affairs	3/5/19	General File
LB736	Provide restrictions on occupation taxes, license fees, and regulation by counties and municipalities	Murman	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	2/28/19	Committee
Healthcare					
LB89	Change certain marijuana penalties	Wayne	Judiciary	3/20/19	Committee
LB110 Wishart Priority	Adopt the Medical Cannabis Act	Wishart	Judiciary	1/25/19	General File
LB159	Change provisions of the Nebraska Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act	Williams	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	2/5/19	Approved

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LB216	Prohibit releasing a person in custody to avoid medical costs	Kolterman	Judiciary	2/6/19	Committee
LB409	Adopt design standards for health care facilities	Kolowski	Urban Affairs	2/12/19	Approved
LB457	Define and redefine terms relating to industrial hemp under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	Lathrop	Judiciary	2/13/19	General File
LB597	Require reporting incidents and development of policies for assisted-living facilities	Walz	Health and Human Services	3/1/19	Committee
LB659	Remove cannabidiol from list of controlled substances	Wayne	Judiciary	2/20/19	Committee
Liquor					
LB56	Change special designated licensure provisions under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	Lowe	General Affairs	1/28/19	Approved
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
LB30	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
LB70	Adopt the Uniform Voidable Transactions Act and eliminate the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act	Hanse, M.	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	1/28/19	Approved
LB85	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	Approved
LB145	Change power of attorney provisions relating to banks and other financial institutions	Hansen, M.	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	2/12/19	Approved
LB146	Change liability and damages provisions for refusal to accept acknowledged power of attorney	Hansen, M.	Judiciary	1/24/19	Approved

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LB186	Adopt the Online Notary Public Act	Lindstrom	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	1/25/19	Approved
LB188	Change the rate of interest charged on loans under the Nebraska Installment Loan Act	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	1/29/19	Select File
LB203	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
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
LB348	Adopt changes to the state building code	Quick	Urban Affairs	2/12/19	Approved
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
LB395	Change landlord's power of possession provisions in cases of domestic violence	Hansen, M.	Judiciary	3/1/19	Committee
LB396	Change landlord and tenant provisions relating to continuances and rental deposits	Hansen, M.	Judiciary	3/1/19	General File
LB405	Adopt updates to building and energy codes	Hunt	Urban Affairs	2/12/19	Approved
LB407	Grant in-state credit unions powers of out-of-state credit unions as prescribed	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	2/26/19	Committee

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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
LB523	Provide a documentary stamp tax exemption for certain deeds and property tax exemption for certain charitable organizations	Linehan	Revenue	2/8/19	Committee
LB602	Adopt the Domestic Stock Insurance Company Division Act	Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance	3/12/19	Committee
LB633	Change provisions relating to real property owner information available to the public	Wishart	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	3/1/19	Committee
LB689	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 Increment Financing					
LB432	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
LB648	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	Passed
Taxes and Tax Equalization and Review Commission					
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	4/24/19	General File
LB314	Adopt the Remote Seller Sales Tax Collection Act and change revenue and taxation provisions	Briese	Revenue	2/14/19	Committee

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LB349	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
LB508	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	Approved
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
Telecommunications					
LB29	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	Approved
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
LB401	Adopt the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact	Quick	Transportation and Telecommunications	3/5/19	Committee