

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 713**

**Hearing Date:** 2/9/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator John Stinner  
**One Liner:** State intent relating to appropriations for the Access College Early Scholarship Program

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**Proponents:**  
Senator John Stinner  
Mike Baumgartner  
Randy Schmailzl  
Dennis Baack  
Daniel Phillips  
Jami Jo Thompson

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Coordinating Comm. for Postsecondary Education  
Metro Community College  
Nebraska Community College Association  
Career Pathways Institute  
Norfolk Public Schools

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

The purpose of LB713 is to provide sufficient funding in the Access College Early Scholarship program so that the percentage of students in poverty who have access to dualcredit options while in high school will be comparable with non-poverty students.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$2,795,424 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$250,000 G

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 715**

**Hearing Date:** 2/11/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator John Stinner  
**One Liner:** Provide for transfers from the General Fund to the Nebraska Cultural Preservation Endowment Fund

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**Proponents:**  
Senator John Stinner  
Robert Nefsky  
Chris Sommerich  
Suzanne Wise

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebr Arts Council & Nebr Cultural Endowment  
Humanities Nebraska  
Nebraska Arts Council

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

**Statement of Intent:**

The purpose of this bill is to continue funding the Nebraska Cultural Preservation Endowment Fund not to exceed \$500,000.00 beginning on December 31, 2017, and continuing through December 31, 2026. Annual contributions to the Endowment Fund must be matched by private funds raised by the Nebraska Arts Council and the Nebraska Humanities Council. Current funding is \$750,000.00 so this bill lowers the annual endowment request by \$250,000.00. The Fund was created in 1998 to do three things: first, sixty-five percent for stabilization of arts organizations; second, thirty percent for arts education programs that have significant statewide impact; and, third, five percent for advocacy for the importance of the arts to our economy, education and quality of life. Five million dollars was placed in the Fund at the time of its creation. The money in the Fund comes from the interest earned on the principal (corpus) of the Fund which is currently nine million dollars. The earnings are available for the Nebraska Arts Council (70%) and the Nebraska Humanities Council (30%) as it is matched by private dollars raised by the two Councils. Funds are distributed through grants and other programs such as the Humanities Resource Center and Scholars in Residence.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16      0  
FY16-17      0

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16      0  
FY16-17      0

**Additional Note:** The Appropriations Committee approved the continuation of transfers at the \$500,000 level, beginning in FY2017-18, and continuing through FY2026-27

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 733**

**Hearing Date:** 2/10/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Dan Watermeier  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds to the Department of Correctional Services

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Dan Watermeier  
Mike Marvin

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
NAPE/AFSCME #61

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**  
Scott Frakes

**Representing:**  
Nebraska Dept of Correctional Services

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB 733 would appropriate \$2.5 million from the General Fund in fiscal year 2016-2017 to the Department of Correctional Services. The appropriation is to be used to recruit and retain quality staff in workforce shortage areas. At least one-tenth of the appropriation is to be used for the recruitment and retention of staff within the Division of Health Services. The Department is to report to the Governor and Legislature on how the money was used, the impact on recruitment and retention of staff, and plans for the future use of such funds.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$2,500,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	\$1,500,000 G
FY16-17	0

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**Additional Note:**

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Appropriate for retention only, not recruitment. \$150,000 of \$1.5 million to behavioral health

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 755**

**Hearing Date:** 2/9/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Dan Watermeier  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds to the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Dan Watermeier  
Stan Carpenter  
Terry McClain

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebraska State College System  
Nebraska State College System

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB 755 would appropriate \$16.8 million in fiscal year 2016/17 from the General Fund for capital construction projects at the three state colleges. The bill contains intent language for the appropriation of an additional \$33.6 million during the following biennium. The capital construction projects include an addition and renovation of the Math Science building at Chadron State College, an addition and renovation of the Theater/Event Center at Peru State College, and the renovation of Benthack Hall and construction of the Applied Technology Center at Wayne State College.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$16,782,054 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

Committee AM2217 to LB 957 would extend the current LB 605 (2006) related series of \$1,125,000 annual General Fund appropriations beyond the original FY2019-20 end-point through the FY2029-30 in order to facilitate additional Nebraska State College System deferred maintenance, repair, renovation and facility replacement projects.

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 789**

**Hearing Date:** 2/11/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Tanya Cook  
**One Liner:** Change provisions regarding appropriations for the installation of art in public buildings

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Tanya Cook  
Suzanne Wise

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebraska Arts Council

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

**Statement of Intent:**

LB789 will reduce costs and permit more efficient administration by the Nebraska Arts Council. This will allow for a greater amount of money to accumulate in the art maintenance fund, avoiding additional appropriations. The bill: 1. Permits the agency that is contracting for a work of art with the selected artist to negotiate the installation costs with the artist. This will result in a cost savings to the contracting agency. 2. Removes the 2010 revision that only ten percent (10%) of the fee the Nebraska Arts Council receives for administering a "1% for Art" project can be allocated to the maintenance fund. Removing this provision will allow the fund to grow more quickly to meet the demand for repairs of art in the existing "1% for Art" inventory.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16      0  
FY16-17      0

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16      \$50,000 C  
FY16-17      \$50,000 C

**Additional Note:**

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Increase cash fund by \$50,000, from \$10,000 to \$60,000

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 800**

**Hearing Date:** 2/9/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Kate Bolz  
**One Liner:** State intent relating to an appropriation to the State Department of Education for job-driven training and education

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Kate Bolz  
Dianna Epp  
Ann Chambers  
Josie Filipi  
Jay Sears  
Crystal Schnell

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebraska Health Care Association  
Adult Education  
Crete Public Schools  
Nebraska State Education Association  
SCC Lincoln – Adult Education

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB800 appropriates \$1,500,000 from the general fund to the State Department of Education for job-driven training and education components in the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$1,500,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$250,000 G

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 809**

**Hearing Date:** 2/4/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Al Davis  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund

**Proponents:** Senator Al Davis  
**Representing:** Introducer

**Opponents:**  
**Representing:**

**Neutral:**  
**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB809 makes a one-time transfer of \$50 million from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund for fiscal years 2016-17 and 2017-18.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$50,000,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:** The bill requires the State Treasurer to transfer \$50,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on or before December 15, 2016 and transfer \$50,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on or before December 15, 2017.

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 810**

**Hearing Date:** 2/3/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Al Davis  
**One Liner:** Eliminate the Nebraska Youth Conservation Program and transfer funds to the Cowboy Trail Fund

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Al Davis  
Kent Forney  
Michelle Stryker  
Andy Pollock

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebraska Game & Parks  
Nebraska Game & Parks  
Nebraska Travel Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB810 directs the State Treasurer to transfer any money in the Nebraska Youth Conservation Program Fund to the Cowboy Trail Fund. The transferred funds shall be used by the Game and Parks Commission for the development of undeveloped portions of the Cowboy Trail when the amount transferred is matched both by a public entity and by a private entity for each expenditure.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$133,000 C

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	\$100,000 C
FY16-17	0

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**Additional Note:**

Transfer \$100,000 to Cowboy Trail Fund and \$33,000 (or balance) to the Niobrara Council per LB 956 and LB 957.

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 838**

**Hearing Date:** 2/9/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Kate Bolz  
**One Liner:** State intent relating to an appropriation to the State Department of Education for an educational specialist

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Kate Bolz  
Nancy Mosier

Russ Uhing  
John Spatz  
Jay Sears

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Lincoln Education Association  
Nebraska State Education Association  
Lincoln Public Schools  
Nebraska Assn of School Boards  
Nebraska State Education Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB838 appropriates \$163,092 from the General Fund to the State Department of Education for a specialist to provide technical assistance on behavioral and mental health needs

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$163,092 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 852**

**Hearing Date:** 2/9/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Tanya Cook  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds for aid to community colleges

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Tanya Cook  
Randy Schmailzl  
Dennis Baack

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Metro Community College  
Nebraska Community College Assn

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

The intent of LB852 is to appropriate an additional \$6,000,000 from the General Fund for FY2016-17 to provide additional aid to Community Colleges to be used for core operating budgets.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$6,000,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$1,000,000 G

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**Additional Note:**

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One time appropriation

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 858**

**Hearing Date:** 2/9/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Galen Hadley  
**One Liner:** Create the University of Nebraska Facilities Program of 2016

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Galen Hadley  
Hank Bounds  
Shelby Williby  
Kyle Meyer  
Bart Ruth

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
University of Nebraska  
University of Nebraska  
University of Nebraska  
Ag Builders of Nebraska

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB 858 creates the University of Nebraska Facilities Program of 2016. A 12-year capital proposal would facilitate debt financing for 17 projects, identified in the bill. LB 858 would allow the Board of Regents to enter into construction and long-term finance contracts for deferred maintenance, repair, renovation, facility addition and facility replacement projects on four campuses. LB 858 directs the Legislature to appropriate \$11 million each year for FY2016-17 and FY2017-18 and \$22 million each year thereafter through FY2028 from the General Fund to the University of Nebraska Facilities Program of 2016.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$11,000,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

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**Additional Note:**

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Committee AM2217 to LB 957 would extend the current LB 605 (2006) related series of \$11,000,000 General Fund annual appropriations beyond the original FY2019-20 end-point through the FY2029-30 in order to facilitate additional University of Nebraska deferred maintenance, repair, renovation and facility replacement projects.

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 911**

**Hearing Date:** 2/8/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Kate Bolz  
**One Liner:** State intent relating to fund transfers for behavioral health systems of care

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Kate Bolz  
Brad Meurrens  
Beth Baxter  
Elisabeth Hurst

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Disability Rights Nebraska  
Nebr Assn of Regional Administrators  
Nebraska Hospital Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB911 transfers \$200,000 from Agency 25, the Department of Health and Human Services, Program 38, Behavioral Health Aid, to Program 268, Behavioral Health Administration in the same agency to create and develop a plan for a systems of care approach for a dult users of behavioral health services.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$200,000 G

**Additional Note:**

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Transfer funds from aid to operations

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 923**

**Hearing Date:** 2/8/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator John Stinner  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds for federally qualified health centers

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**Proponents:**  
Senator John Stinner  
Andrea Skolkin  
Jeff Tracy  
Kari Wade

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
One World Community Health Centers  
Community Action Partnership Western NE  
Nebraska Nurses Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB923 would appropriate additional funds for distribution to Nebraska's seven federally qualified health centers as follows: (1)\$1,400,000.00 General Funds in FY2016-17, specifying \$200,000.00 for each of the seven centers to expand capacity; (2) \$1,200,000.00 General Funds in FY2016-17 to serve Nebraskans on waiting lists or subject to delays in receiving services, distributed proportionately based on the total number of patients served by each center in the previous year; and (3) \$2,400,000.00 General Funds in FY2016-17 distributed proportionately based upon the number of uninsured patients served by each center in the previous year.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$5,000,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$1,000,000 G

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**Additional Note:**

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One time appropriation to be distributed equally among federally qualified health centers

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 931**

**Hearing Date:** 2/8/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Kate Bolz  
**One Liner:** Provide for financial incentives for certain assisted-living facilities and change distribution of the Behavioral Health Services Fund

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Kate Bolz  
Dianne DeLair  
Alan Green

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Disability Rights Nebraska  
Mental Health Assn of Nebraska

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB931 appropriates \$250,000 to the Department of Health and Human Services to provide housing-related assistance for very low-income adults with serious mental illness.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$250,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$100,000 C

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 988**

**Hearing Date:** 2/8/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Tanya Cook  
**One Liner:** Change distribution provisions for the Health Care Homes for the Medically Underserved Fund

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Tanya Cook  
Kenny McMorris  
Kari Wade

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Charles Drew Health Center  
Nebraska Nurses Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

Five percent of the federal Medicaid fraud settlement funds accruing to Nebraska annually shall be deposited in the Health Care Homes for the Medically Underserved Fund for distribution to federally qualified health centers in Nebraska. Such funds shall be used for persons receiving services under the (1) Health Care for the Homeless Program, (2) Public Housing Primary Care Program, and (3) Migratory and Seasonal Workers Program; (330(h), 330(i) and 333(g), respectively, of the federal Public Health Service Act, 42 U.S.C. 254b, as such sections existed on January 1, 2016.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

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Committee adopted clean up language and adopted AM2102

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 1006**

**Hearing Date:** 2/5/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Colby Coash  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds for hiring forensic accountants by the Office of the Attorney General

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Colby Coash  
Joshua Shasserre  
Jim VanLent

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Office of the Attorney General  
First National Bank

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB1006 is a bill to appropriate \$250,000 annually to the Office of the Attorney General for the purpose of hiring one or more forensic accountants or other staff or resources needed to investigate cases of financial exploitation of vulnerable adults. There is an alarming increase in the number of cases of financial exploitation and there is a lack of resources to investigate and prosecute those cases. While our state and nation face an aging population, the need to prosecute financial exploitation is greater than ever, and providing more resources to fight these crimes is imperative. Financial exploitation cases are extremely time consuming. It is very difficult for law enforcement and Adult Protective Services to obtain financial records from banks. This time constraint often hinders investigations and APS is not equipped with the appropriate staff to dedicate themselves to all the financial exploitation cases that they encounter. Forensic accountants are experienced auditors, accountants, and investigators of legal and financial documents that are hired to look into possible suspicions of fraudulent activity.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$250,000 G

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**Committee Action:** Authorize

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$175,000 C

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**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 1017**

**Hearing Date:** 2/5/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Brett Lindstrom  
**One Liner:** Eliminate a residency requirement for student interns under a grant program and transfer funds as prescribed

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Brett Lindstrom  
Joseph Young

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebraska Chamber of Commerce  
Greater Omaha Chamber  
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

One of the top concerns voiced by Nebraska employers is the shrinking pool of qualified employees – especially with a jobless rate under 3% and more than 50,000 current job openings. To help address Nebraska’s workforce challenge, the Legislature and former Governor Dave Heineman in 2011 established a unique grant program called the Intern Nebraska (InternNE) program. Administered by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development, InternNE provides financial assistance to businesses that are willing to create new internships. Interns obtain valuable experience, while businesses develop future employees. This bill would:

- Boost funding for the Nebraska Intern program by \$1.5 million for two consecutive fiscal years.
- Expand the eligibility of the intern program by allowing high school students in the 11th or 12th grade who attend a public or private high school. This provision is aimed at helping Nebraska communities retain young people.
- Eliminate the current law’s residency requirement for student interns under the Intern Nebraska program

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 1018**

**Hearing Date:** 2/11/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Colby Coash  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds to the Nebraska Arts Council

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**Proponents:**

Senator Colby Coash  
Mark Hoager  
Suzanne Wise  
Johnnye Gerhardt  
Rhett McClure  
Doug Zbylut  
Stattin Yates

Brigitte Timmerman  
Mark Popejoy

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraska Film Association  
Nebraska Arts Council  
Nebraska Film Association  
Nebraska Independent Film Projects  
Nebraskans for the Arts  
Nebraska Film Association  
Dream.Think.Be  
Nebraska Film Association  
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**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

**Statement of Intent:**

LB1018 is a bill to appropriate \$250,000 annually to Program 327 of the Nebraska Arts Council for the purposes of establishing and funding a grant program to support Nebraska economic development in communities for the purpose of film production. The Nebraska Arts Council will provide an annual report to the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature on the status of the grant program created by LB1018.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$500,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 1028**

**Hearing Date:** 2/5/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Adam Morfeld  
**One Liner:** Change provisions relating to funding under the Business Innovation Act and require the Department of Economic Development to contract with certain entities

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Adam Morfeld  
Jeff Reynolds  
Michael Dixon

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Rural Investment Corporation  
Invest Nebraska

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB 1028 would amend the Business Innovation Act to increase the funding from the current \$7 million to \$8 million in fiscal year 2016-2017 and to \$9 million in fiscal year 2017-2018. The bill modifies the microenterprise section of the Business Innovation Act to require the Nebraska Department of Economic Development to contract with a statewide microenterprise development assistance organization. It also requires the Department to award at least \$1,250,000 but not more than \$2 million for FY2016-17, and at least \$1,500,000 but not more than \$2 million for FY2017-18 under this section. The bill also modifies the commercialization section of the Act to require the Department to award a minimum of \$2 million for the commercialization program. The bill also requires the Nebraska Department of Economic Development to contract with one statewide venture development organization that is incorporated in the State of Nebraska and exempt for federal tax purposes under 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$1,000,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 1030**

**Hearing Date:** 2/8/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Kate Bolz  
**One Liner:** Change an expenditure limit relating to amino acid-based elemental formulas

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Kate Bolz  
Kari Wade

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebraska Nurses Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB1030 removes the specified years for which the appropriation for amino acid based elemental formulas program was to be funded.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 1053**

**Hearing Date:** 2/9/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Burke Harr  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds to the State Department of Education

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Burke Harr  
John Spatz  
Susan Borchert  
Bob Rauner  
Jay Sears

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebraska Association of School Boards  
Nebraska Association of School Boards  
Nebraska Medical Association  
Nebraska State Education Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

The purpose of Legislative Bill 1053 is to make an one-time appropriation to the Nebraska Department of Education, for Program 158, to grant to the Nebraska Whole Child Project. The Nebraska Whole Child Project is an interlocal corporation made up of school districts and ESUs. The objective of this program is to get the education and the medical communities to collaborate to address physical and mental health needs of Nebraska children.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$250,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

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**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 1074**

**Hearing Date:** 2/9/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Rick Kolowski  
**One Liner:** Appropriate funds to the State Department of Education

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**Proponents:**

Senator Rick Kolowski  
Kristin Williams  
Barbara Bettin  
Curtis Hofrock

Jeff Cole  
Jay Sears

**Representing:**

Introducer  
The Sherwood Foundation  
YMCA – CLC's  
Cool Kids Club  
Sidney Police Department  
Beyond School Bells  
Nebraska State Education Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB 1074 appropriates \$1 million from the General Fund to the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Fund to support Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELOs) in Nebraska's high need rural and urban communities. ELOs are school based, community-driven programs that provide youth with high quality learning experiences during the after school and summer hours.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$1,000,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$250,000 G

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**Additional Note:**

One time appropriation

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE  
2016 BILL HEARING SUMMARY  
LB 1091**

**Hearing Date:** 2/5/2016  
**Introducer:** Senator Robert Hilkemann  
**One Liner:** State intent relating to appropriations for purposes of the Site and Building Development Fund

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**Proponents:**

Senator Robert Hilkemann  
Dave Rippe

Tim Kerrigan

Dan Mauk  
Pat Haverty

Jeff Lake

**Opponents:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Hastings Economic Development Corp  
Nebraska Economic Developers Assn  
Greater Omaha Chamber  
Nebr Chamber of Commerce & Industry  
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce  
Nebr City Area Economic Development  
Lincoln Partnership for Econ Development  
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce  
Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce

**Representing:**

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**Statement of Intent:**

LB 1091 would add a one year \$25 million appropriation to the Site and Development Fund, passed in 2011 as part of LB 388. The Fund was created to assist in industry ready sites across the state as part of economic development. The 2016 Fund amount of \$2,529,000 is committed with more communities asking for assistance to complete pending projects.

**Requested Funds:**

FY15-16	0
FY16-17	\$25,000,000 G

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**Committee Action:**

FY15-16	\$4,000,000 G
FY16-17	0

**Additional Note:**

One time appropriation, transfer from General Fund to Site and Building Development Fund

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