

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB71**

Hearing Date: February 27, 2017
Introducer: Senator Pansing Brooks
One Liner: Change appropriations relating to the Nebraska Tree Recovery Program

Proponents:
Senator Patty Pansing Brooks
Chris Beutler
John Wynn
Lance Hedquist
Lon Nutter
Marti Neely
Ervin Portis
Lyle Minshull

Representing:
Introducer
Mayor – City of Lincoln
City of Omaha
South Sioux City
Nebraska Arborists Association
Nebraska Nursery & Landscape Association
City of Plattsmouth
Nebraska Community Forestry Council

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:
Scott Josiah

Representing:
Nebraska Forest Service

Statement of Intent:

LB 71 appropriates \$3 million annually to the Nebraska Forest Service for the Nebraska Tree Recovery Program

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$3,000,000 G
FY18-19	\$3,000,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB115**

Hearing Date: March 8, 2017
Introducer: Senator Harr
One Liner: Direct the Nebraska Tourism Commission to provide for certain uses of a fund

Proponents:
Senator Burke Harr
Lauren Martin

Representing:
Introducer
Maha Music Festival

Opponents:
Andy Pollock
John Ricks

Representing:
Nebraska Travel Association
Nebraska Tourism Commission

Neutral:
Andrew Norman

Representing:
Hear Nebraska

Statement of Intent:

Legislative Bill 115 provides funding of eighty-five thousand dollars from the State Visitors Promotion Cash Fund to enter into a contract for promotional and visitor activities related to the hosting by a city of the metropolitan class of community-based music festivals.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$85,000 C
FY18-19	\$0

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB150**

Hearing Date: February 21, 2017
Introducer: Senator Stinner
One Liner: Provide for a transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund

Proponents: Senator John Stinner
Representing: Introducer

Opponents: **Representing:**

Neutral: **Representing:**

Statement of Intent:

The intent of LB150 is to provide a contingency in the event cash reserve transfers become part of the Appropriations Committee's budget recommendation. LB150 is a shell bill routinely introduced by the Appropriations Committee chair in odd numbered years. An amount to be transferred by this bill is indicated as "XXX million dollars" which can be amended to specify the amounts to be transferred.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18 \$0
FY18-19 \$0

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB189**

Hearing Date: March 14, 2017
Introducer: Senator Howard
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for recruitment and retention of caseworkers

Proponents:
Senator Sara Howard
Julie Rogers
Mike Marvin
Kim Hawekotte
Julia Tse
Sarah Helvey

Representing:
Introducer
Inspector General for Child Welfare
NAPE/AFSCHME Local 61
Foster Care Review Office
Voices for Children in Nebraska
Nebraska Appleseed

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB 189 appropriates funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for the purposes of recruitment and retention of child welfare caseworkers and to ensure that caseload standards in Neb. Rev. Stat. 68-1207 are fulfilled.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$500,000 G
FY18-19	\$500,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 205**

Hearing Date: March 14, 2017
Introducer: Senator Krist
One Liner: Designate funds appropriated to the Department of Health and Human Services for state aid

Proponents: Senator Bob Krist Debbie Salomon Dave Merrill Michael Chittenden	Representing: Introducer Self Nebraska Association of Service Providers The Arc of Nebraska
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Opponents:	Representing:
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Neutral:	Representing:
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Statement of Intent:

LB 205 appropriates \$7 million to HHS to be used to reimburse Nebraska's community based developmental disability service providers for services rendered on or after October 1, 2016, and for which no federal funds were used in the rates paid to the providers by the state for those services because of an error the state made in its federal waiver.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$0
FY18-19	\$0

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 206**

Hearing Date: March 14, 2017
Introducer: Senator Krist
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for developmental disabilities services

Proponents: Senator Bob Krist Debbie Salomon Alan Zavodny Michael Chittenden	Representing: Introducer Self Northstar Services The Arc of Nebraska
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Opponents: **Representing:**

Neutral: **Representing:**

Statement of Intent:

LB 206 appropriates funds to HHS to be used to increase provider rates by approximately 3% in FY2017-18 and FY2018-19 for community based development disability services.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$4,398,677 G; 4,871,455 F	(\$9,270,132)
FY18-19	\$8,929,314 G; 9,889,051 F	(\$18,818,365)

Committee Action: Developmental Disabilities provider rate remains flat

Additional Note:

Governor veto – provider rates at 3% reduction

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 221**

Hearing Date: March 7, 2017
Introducer: Senator Stinner
One Liner: Change the transfer from a fund

Proponents:
Senator John Stinner

Representing:
Introducer

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB221 is a shell bill introduced this year as a contingency in the event a bill would be needed to make fund transfers as part of the committee budget recommendation. This year there was some uncertainty that an additional bill would be available to this committee beyond LB23, a bill that was part of the Governor's expedited budget request early in the session. Subsequently, this committee did not use LB23, thus, either bill, LB23 or 221 can be used this session's budget recommendation, the remaining bill can be then carried over for the session in 2018. LB221 in its current form adjusts a transfer scheduled this fiscal year to the Water Sustainability Fund, an item included in the Governor's expedited deficit request and deferred by this committee in to the next fiscal year.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18 \$0
FY18-19 \$0

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 242**

Hearing Date: February 27, 2017
Introducer: Senator Bolz
One Liner: Appropriate funds for the recruitment of students who study to become behavioral health professionals

Proponents: Senator Kate Bolz Martin Wetzel Spencer Gallner, MD Brent Khan	Representing: Introducer Self UNMC Behavioral Health Education Center of Nebraska
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Opponents:	Representing:
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Neutral:	Representing:
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Statement of Intent:

Appropriate \$598,803 for fiscal years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 to the University of Nebraska to develop, in coordination with the Department of Correctional Services, to establish clinical rotations in a corrections setting for students studying to be mental health professionals, and to provide stipends, supervision and other supports for those students.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$598,803 G
FY18-19	\$598,803 G

Committee Action: \$400,000 General Funds each year for the University to partner with the Department of Correctional Services and/or Regional Centers to develop and offer programs for students studying to become behavioral health professionals

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 270**

Hearing Date: March 7, 2017
Introducer: Senator Kolowski
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the State Department of Education

Proponents: Senator Rick Kolowski Jeff Cole	Representing: Introducer Beyond School Bells
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Opponents:	Representing:
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Neutral:	Representing:
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Statement of Intent:

LB 270 appropriates \$750,000 per year to the Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant Program Act.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$750,000 G
FY18-19	\$750,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 281**

Hearing Date: March 8, 2017
Introducer: Senator Quick
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the Nebraska State Historical Society

Proponents:
Senator Dan Quick
Kevin Andersen
Jerry Johnson
Michael Sothan
Elizabeth Chase

Representing:
Introducer
Main Street Network Board of Directors
Main Street
Main Street – Beatrice
Nebraska Main Street Network

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB 281 will appropriate \$100,000 from the General Fund for FY2017-18 and \$100,000 from the General Fund for FY 2018-19 to the Nebraska State Historical Society. The purpose of the appropriation is to provide funding for the Nebraska Main Street Program. The appropriation shall only be used for such purpose.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$100,000 G
FY18-19	\$100,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 302**

Hearing Date: February 27, 2017
Introducer: Senator Crawford
One Liner: State intent to appropriate funds for psychiatric and behavioral health medicine fellowships

Proponents: Senator Sue Crawford Michelle Buller Alys Seay Kurt Schmeckpeper	Representing: Introducer Self Self Nebraska Academy of Physician Assistants
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Opponents:	Representing:
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Neutral: Michael Huckabee	Representing: Self
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Statement of Intent:

LB 302 appropriates funds to create post-graduate fellowships for physician assistants in order to prepare the participants to provide advanced psychiatric and behavioral health care in rural and underserved communities, and help the State of Nebraska expeditiously recruit, retain, and increase the competence of the psychiatric prescriber workforce.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$271,320 G
FY18-19	\$271,320 G

Committee Action: No Action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 303**

Hearing Date: February 27, 2017
Introducer: Senator Crawford
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the University of Nebraska to fund behavioral health internships

Proponents:

Senator Sue Crawford
Kaleigh Nelsen
Anne Buettner

Dr. Catherine Jones-Hazledine
Dr. Joseph Evans

Representing:

Introducer
National Association of Social Workers
Nebraska Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
Western Nebraska Behavioral Health
UNMC

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB 303 provides funds for master's level internships to improve access to behavioral health services for Nebraskans in rural and urban underserved areas by recruiting, training, placing and retaining behavioral health professionals to work in primary care medical practices.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18 \$450,000 G
FY18-19 \$450,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 378**

Hearing Date: March 6, 2017
Introducer: Senator McCollister
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the Department of Correctional Services

Proponents: Senator John McCollister Doug Koebernick	Representing: Introducer Inspector General for Corrections
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Opponents:	Representing:
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Neutral:	Representing:
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Statement of Intent:

LB 378 would establish a program, in which the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services would contract with local counties to house inmates in their local jails. The inmates would have to be classified as community corrections inmates and would be sent to jails in the general area in which they would be paroled or released. While in the county jails, the inmates would participate in a work release program. The Department and the Board of Parole would be required to provide quarterly reports to the governor and the legislature regarding the program.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$5,000,000 G
FY18-19	\$0

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 379**

Hearing Date: March 8, 2017
Introducer: Senator Harr
One Liner: Create the Willa Cather Historical Building Cash Fund and provide for a transfer of funds

Proponents:
Senator Burke Harr
Ashley Olson
Andrew Jewell
Charles Johanningsmeier

Representing:
Introducer
Willa Cather Foundation
Professor – University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Professor – University of Nebraska-Omaha

Opponents:
Andy Pollock
John Ricks

Representing:
Nebraska Travel Association
Nebraska Tourism Commission

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

Legislative Bill 379 creates the Willa Cather Historical Building Cash Fund to preserve and restore Will Cather-related properties, specifically the Cather House and the Antonia Farmhouse. The Fund is to be administered by the Nebraska State Historical Society.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$0
FY18-19	\$55,238 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

Provision to transfer \$300,000 from the State Visitor Promotion Cash Fund to the Willa Cather Historical Building Cash Fund once the private source matching funds were received. No fiscal impact.

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 416**

Hearing Date: February 24, 2017
Introducer: Senator Vargas
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the Department of Labor and make changes to uses of the Employment Security Administration Fund

Proponents:
Senator Tony Vargas
Steven Mulcahy

Kenneth Ostronic
Jasel Cantu

Opponents:

Neutral:
John Albin

Representing:
Introducer
North Central States Regional Council of
Carpenters
IBT Teamsters Local #554
Latin American Commission

Representing:

Representing:
Department of Labor

Statement of Intent:

The Employee Classification Act was passed in 2010 with the intent to help address the problem of employee misclassification. Employee misclassification occurs when a worker is improperly paid by an employer as an independent contractor rather than as an employee. This means that the worker is then ineligible for employer provided health insurance, unemployment and workers' compensation benefits, and labor law protections, among other problems. Unfortunately, this type of misclassification still happens far too often, especially to workers who do not speak English as their first language. The Department of Labor does not currently have the resources it needs to address this problem and fully enforce current law. LB416 would provide funding in the amount of \$250,000 from the Employment Security Special Contingent Fund for each fiscal year of the biennium for the Department of Labor to employ bilingual investigators to fully enforce the Employee Classification Act.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18 \$250,000 C
FY18-19 \$250,000 C

Committee Action:

FY17-18: \$125,000 C

FY 18-19: \$125,000 C

Additional Note:

Vetoed by Governor

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 465**

Hearing Date: March 7, 2017
Introducer: Senator Watermeier
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the State Department of Education

Proponents:

Senator Dan Watermeier
Dr. Darci Karr
Ricardo Diaz
Shawna Garland
Keely Reinert
Emilee Knutzen
Samantha Redfern
Terri Tiedeman
Easan Selvan
Ramona Schoenrock

Representing:

Introducer
Hastings Public Schools
Hasting High School
Bruning-Davenport Unified School
York Public Schools
York Public Schools
York Public Schools
Southeast Community College
Microsoft
Nebraska Microsoft IT Initiative

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB 465 would appropriate \$500,000 in each year of the biennium to the Department of Education for the Nebraska Information Technology Initiative under the Center for Student Leadership and Expanded Learning Act. The Nebraska Information Technology Initiative (IT) is a partnership with the Nebraska Department of Education, Nebraska Career and Technical Education, Microsoft and Certiport. Currently, 85 Nebraska high schools and 12 community colleges are participating in the Initiative. The Nebraska IT Initiative provides students with information technology skills that they will need for entering a post-secondary institution or the workforce. The number of students certifications under the Nebraska IT Initiative more than tripled from the first year of the program to the second year and is on pace to increase even further this year. There is currently a waiting list of schools that would like to participate in the Initiative.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18 \$500,000 G
FY18-19 \$500,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 493**

Hearing Date: March 14, 2017
Introducer: Senator Krist
One Liner: Appropriate funds to maintain the Network of Care

Proponents: Senator Bob Krist Bruce Bronzan	Representing: Introducer Trilogy
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Opponents:	Representing:
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Neutral:	Representing:
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Statement of Intent:

LB 493 seeks to appropriate \$85,500 in FY2017-18 and FY2018-19 to cover a portion of the Network of Care. The Network of Care is a website that combines local, state, and national services for Behavioral Health, Developmental Disabilities, Public Health, and Veterans all in one place. Nebraska has invested over \$1 million to date. LB 493 will ensure that the investment is realized by keeping all four portals in place.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$85,500 G
FY18-19	\$85,500 G

Committee Action: Intent language – provide general funds in amount of \$85,500 each fiscal year to maintain Network of Care for Veterans

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 513**

Hearing Date: March 13, 2017
Introducer: Senator Hilkemann
One Liner: Appropriate funds to provide a base rate increase for certain hospital services as prescribed

Proponents:
Senator Robert Hilkemann
Mel McNea
Jeffrey Francis

Representing:
Introducer
Great Plains Health/Neb. Hospital Assoc.
Neb. Hospital Assoc./Neb. Methodist Health System

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

Legislative Bill 513 is intended to direct the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medicaid and Long Term Care to provide for an increase in base rates paid for inpatient hospital services provided under a Medicaid prospective payment system. Generally, Nebraska hospitals with 25 or more beds are paid under a prospective payment system of reimbursement for services provided to Nebraska's Medicaid population. In 2014, DHHS implemented a new prospective payment mechanism called the All-Patient Refined Diagnosis-Related Group (APR-DRG). At the time of the transition to the new system, Medicaid and the impacted hospitals agreed this conversion would be a budget neutral transition. However, the base rates adopted inadvertently lowered aggregate payments by 6.03%. While the Department indicated an internal fix would be made to correct the base rates to achieve budget neutrality as originally intended, that has not happened. Legislative Bill 513 would provide legislative direction for this correction so these providers of Medicaid services can be correctly paid for the services they provide.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18 \$6,240,000 G; \$6,760,000 F
FY18-19 \$6,240,000 G; \$6,760,000 F

Committee Action: Restore half of hospital base reduction in LB 327, the mainline budget bill

Additional Note:

\$2.6 million per year for 27 hospitals in FY17-18 and FY18-19

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 514**

Hearing Date: February 27, 2017
Introducer: Senator Bolz
One Liner: State intent to appropriate funds for a Justice Reinvestment Initiative Coordinator

Proponents:
Senator Kate Bolz
Corey Steel

Representing:
Introducer
Nebraska Supreme Court

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:
Ryan Spohn

Representing:
University of Nebraska

Statement of Intent:

Appropriate \$100,000 for fiscal year 2017-2018 for the purpose of funding the position of Justice Reinvestment Initiative Coordinator.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$100,000 G
FY18-19	\$0

Committee Action:

Increased personal service limit – no additional dollars

FY17-18	\$100,000 PSL
FY18-19	\$100,000 PSL

Additional Note:

Approve PSL; add intent language – Fund the position of Justice Reinvestment Implementation Coordinator in the Department who reports directly to the Director of Correctional Services

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 524**

Hearing Date: March 17, 2017
Introducer: Senator Walz
One Liner: Appropriate funds to supplement financial assistance from the Nebraska Internet Enhancement Fund

Proponents:
Senator Lynne Walz
Johnathan Hladik

Representing:
Introducer
Center for Rural Affairs

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:
Tim Schram

Representing:
Neb. Public Service Commission

Statement of Intent:

LB524 would appropriate \$100,000 from the General Fund for FY2017-18 and \$100,000 from the General Fund for FY2018-19 to the Nebraska Internet Enhancement Fund. The Nebraska Internet Enhancement Fund is critical to improve access to high-speed broadband to communities throughout the state.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$100,000 G
FY18-19	\$100,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 538**

Hearing Date: March 6, 2017
Introducer: Senator Wishart
One Liner: Appropriate funds for Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance

Proponents:
Senator Anna Wishart
Thomas Maul
Milo Mumgaard
Richard Moberly
Paul McGreal
Jeff Pickens

Representing:
Introducer
Nebraska State Bar Association
Legal Aid of Nebraska
University of Nebraska College of Law
Creighton University School of Law
Nebraska Commission on Public Advocacy

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB 538 appropriates \$151,500 from the General fund for both FY2017-18 and FY2018-19 to the Commission on Public Advocacy, for Program 430, the Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance aid.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$151,500 G
FY18-19	\$151,500 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

Requested Funds: Of this amount, \$150,000 would be used for loan forgiveness repayment assistance (aid). The remainder \$1500 would be used for agency operations.

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 545**

Hearing Date: March 3, 2017
Introducer: Senator Watermeier
One Liner: Provide for fund transfers relating to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund

Proponents:
Senator Dan Watermeier
Merlyn Nielsen
Dennis Schuster

Representing:
Introducer
Ag Leaders Working Group
Farmer

Opponents:
Renee Fry

Representing:
OpenSky Policy Institute

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB 545 would increase the transfer from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund by \$200 million per year in each of the next three years. The property tax relief offered through this fund appears as a credit on taxpayers' property tax statements. Under the bill, the current transfer of \$224 million would increase to \$424 million for tax year 2018, \$624 million for tax year 2019, and \$824 million for tax year 2020. LB 545 states that it is the intent of the Legislature that the fund be funded at a minimum of \$824 million in following years. Property taxes account for approximately 48% of the total combined revenue from the property tax, income tax, and sales tax. LB 545 is projected to lower the share of the tax burden from property taxes to approximately 40%.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18
FY18-19 see "Additional Note"

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

LB 545 would transfer the following amounts from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund:

For tax year 2018: \$424,000,000

For tax year 2019: \$624,000,000

For tax year 2020: \$824,000,000

The bill also states that it is the intent of the Legislature to fund the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund at a minimum of \$824,000,000 for tax year 2020 and each tax year thereafter.

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 580**

Hearing Date: March 1, 2017
Introducer: Senator McDonnell
One Liner: Appropriate funds for the Office of Violence Prevention

Proponents:
Senator Mike McDonnell
Ken Kanger
Scott Hazelrigg
Christy Abraham
Willie Hamilton

Representing:
Introducer
Omaha Police Department
Northstar Foundation
League of Nebraska Municipalities
Black Men United

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

To appropriate funds for the Office of Violence Prevention to expand the program across the state.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$1,050,000 G
FY18-19	\$0

Committee Action: Transfer \$25,000 from the Department of Motor Vehicles Ignition Interlock Fund to the Violence Prevention Cash Fund in both FY18 and FY19; increase Cash Fund appropriation by \$25,000 in both FY18 and FY19

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 620**

Hearing Date: March 8, 2017
Introducer: Senator Wayne
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development

Proponents:
Senator Justin Wayne
Chris Callihan

Representing:
Introducer
IBEW Local 265-Lincoln Electrical Training
Alliance

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB 620 will appropriate \$1,000,000.00 to the Department of Economic Development for the Nebraska Developing Youth Talent Initiative, which will provide training through apprenticeships in the manufacturing, information technology, and construction trades. One apprenticeship industry partner will be selected each year, both must be certified and approved by the Department of Labor.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$1,000,000 G
FY18-19	\$1,000,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
2017 BILL HEARING SUMMARY
LB 621**

Hearing Date: March 17, 2017
Introducer: Senator Wayne
One Liner: Appropriate funds to the Public Service Commission

Proponents:
Senator Justin Wayne
Tim Schram

Representing:
Introducer
Neb. Public Service Commission

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Statement of Intent:

LB621 will appropriate funds to the Public Service Commission to hire a track inspector.

Requested Funds:

FY17-18	\$180,000 G
FY18-19	\$180,000 G

Committee Action: No action

Additional Note:
