

## 106th Legislative Session

### Children's Bill Watch List

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support with testimony; O-oppose with testimony; M-monitor; N-neutral testimony; **approved** by Governor; **vetoed** by Governor; **Priority for CHMC**

Bill No.	Position	Subject Matter	Introducer	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	
LB751		<a href="#"><u>For an Act relating to schools</u></a>	Sen. Carol Blood	Judiciary			Regarding school attendance, administrators shall develop a collaborative plan to reduce barriers related to regular attendance for mental health as well as current statute for physical health.
LB753		<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact</u></a>	Sen. Carol Blood	HHS	1/22/2020		Designed to achieve an increase in access to services, regional care, and telehealth capabilities.
LB759		<a href="#"><u>To require consultation with school districts regarding placement of children</u></a>	Sen. Mark Kolterman	HHS			A requirement for the court to transfer information regarding juvenile's entering back into school to prepare for a smooth transition.
LB760		<a href="#"><u>Require health care workers to provide coverage for asynchronous review by a dermatologist by way of telehealth</u></a>	Sen. Mark Kolterman	Banking, Commerce and Insurance			Asynchronous review is the acquisition and storage of medical information at one sight that is then forwarded to or received by a health care provider at another site for evaluation. This bill proposes to require insurance companies to offer reimbursement. Specific to dermatology only, will follow up with the senator on all specialties.
LB766		<a href="#"><u>Prohibit sexual assault of a minor by an authority figure, change provisions related to sexual offenses</u></a>	Sen. Brett Lindstrom	Judiciary			Aimed at coaches and teachers who claim consent was received. In many cases, jail time does not occur following charges. This bill aims to ensure jail sentencing occurs for people in a position of trust.

LB772		<a href="#"><u>Change the scope of practice for physician assistants</u></a>	Sen. Matt Williams	HHS	1/24/2020		Adds “collaborative agreement” language. Amends definition of supervision to mean the ready availability of the supervising physician for consultation and collaboration of the PA. Provides that a PA may render services in a setting that is geographically remote from the supervising physician. Beginning Dec. 1, 2020, requires that one of the six professional members of the Board of Medicine and Surgery shall be a physician with experience in practice with PAs. Authorizes a PA to perform medical services that form a component of the scope of practice of a physician working in the same physician group as the PA if delegated and provided under the supervision and collaboration with such physician, are medical services for which the PA has been prepared by education, experience, and training and that the PA is competent to perform. Strikes language that a PA shall be considered an agent of his supervising physician. Clarifies PA authority to pronounce death and complete death certificates. Strikes restrictions regarding PA practice in hospitals and requirements for physician-PA agreements.
LB778		<a href="#"><u>State intent regarding appropriations for the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act</u></a>	Sen. John Stinner	Appropriations			removing language “as delegated to do so by a supervising physician” and provides authority to distribute drug samples and plan and initiate therapeutic regiments that include nonpharmacological
LB779		<a href="#"><u>To state intent regarding appropriations to DHHS</u></a>	Sen. John Stinner	Appropriations			\$3,425,000 from the General Fund to DHHS to support child advocacy centers, including direct services to child victims and caregivers and facilitation of child abuse teams. It is the intent to continue funding perpetually.
LB783		<a href="#"><u>Change the definition of ambulatory surgical center</u></a>	Sen. John Lowe	HHS			The proposal would change existing statute and allow the definition of an ambulatory surgical center to include a facility where the discharged patient did not receive anesthesia or was discharged within 24 hours after anesthesia

LB789		<a href="#"><u>Change school bus stop signal arm violation provisions</u></a>	Sen. Julie Slama	Transportation and Telecommunications	1/28/2020		A school bus driver who observes a violation may prepare a written report and provide it to their employer (license plate, time, date to). Within 72 hours the employer shall deliver the report to a peace officer of the city or county. Within 7 days, the peace officer shall contact the owner of the motor vehicle
LB804		<a href="#"><u>Provide for insurance coverage of epinephrine autoinjenctors</u></a>	Sen. Justin Wayne	Banking, Commerce and Insurance			All individual or group insurance plans that provide coverage for a specified disease or other limited-benefit coverage shall provide coverage for epipens for persons 18 and younger (Jan.1, 2021)
LB810		<a href="#"><u>Impose sales tax on bottled water, candy, and soft drinks</u></a>	Sen. John McCollister	Revenue			Candy is defined to exclude flour, which became a concern in previous attempts. There is also the ability to place a 60-day moratorium on the tax when a natural disaster (i.e. flood) occurs. The increase in sales tax revenue will go towards the Health Care Cash Fund.
LB814		<a href="#"><u>Prohibit dismemberment abortion</u></a>	Sen. Suzanne Geist	Judiciary			Dismemberment abortion means an abortion in which, with the cause of death of an unborn child is by extraction one piece at a time unless necessary for medical emergency.
LB815		<a href="#"><u>Prohibit certain section 1115 waivers under the Medical Assistance Act</u></a>	Sen. Adam Morfeld	HHS			The purpose of this legislation is to require Nebraska Medicaid to expand Medicaid without the 1115 waiver
LB817		<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Prescribing Psychologist Practice Act</u></a>	Sen. John Stinner	HHS	1/24/2020		A proposal to grant prescriptive authority to psychologists to order, prescribe, discontinue, administer, and provide samples of psychotropic medication. Opiates cannot be prescribed by a
LB825	S	<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to infant health screenings</u></a>	Sen. Robert Hilkemann	HHS	1/22/2020		Children's requested this bill be introduced to include Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) to the newborn screening list
LB827		<a href="#"><u>Appropriate funds to DHHS for Program 424 (DD)</u></a>	Sen. Robert Hilkemann	Appropriations			\$3,730,149 from the General Fund to DHHS for Program 424- an increase in rates paid to providers of developmental disability services

LB828		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to scope of practice of a licensed optometrist</u></a>	Sen. Robert Hilkemann	HHS	1/23/2020		The bill would allow optometrists to perform minor surgical procedures required for the treatment of cysts or infected/inflamed glands of the eyelid and administer injections of pharmaceutical agents into the eyelid related to such treatment. This legislation would also require additional education and clinical training pertaining to the requested new authority for optometrists licensed in Nebraska.
LB832		<a href="#"><u>Provide immunity for removal of a child from a motor vehicle</u></a>	Sen. Bruce Bostelman	Judiciary			A person is immune from civil and criminal liability for property damage if the person forced entry into a vehicle to remove and rescue a child who appeared to be in imminent danger or suffering (hot car).
LB836		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions governing certain contracts and agreements relating to the medical assistance program</u></a>	Sen. John Arch	HHS	1/22/2020		All contracts and agreements relating to the medical assistance program governing at-risk managed care service delivery for health services shall "provide for the return to the department any remittance if the contractor does not meet the minimum loss ratio and unearned incentive funds. The funds shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Health Care Cash Fund."
LB837		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to background checks under the Child Care Licensing Act and Children's Residential Facilities and Placing Licensure Act</u></a>	Sen. John Arch	HHS			The department shall seek to maximize federal funding to develop and implement a program to assist child care providers and child care staff members with the cost of fingerprinting and national criminal history record information check. If no federal funds are received, then the child care staff member being screened shall pay the actual cost.

LB838		<a href="#"><u>Provide an exemption from licensure under the Medicine and Surgery Practice Act</u></a>	Sen. John Arch	HHS			Adds one provision to current statute that reads, the following classes of persons shall not be construed to be engaged in the unauthorized practice of medicine: 'Persons who are not licensed, certified, or registered under the Uniform Credentialing Act, to whom are assigned tasks by a physician or osteopathic physician licensed under the Medicine and Surgery Practice Act, if such assignment of tasks is in a manner consistent with accepted medical standards and appropriate to the skill and training, on the job or otherwise, of the persons to whom the tasks are assigned;
LB839		<a href="#"><u>Recognize American Sign Language and provide for the teaching of American Sign Language in schools</u></a>	Sen. Anna Wishart	Education			The State Board of Education may provide for the teaching of American sign language in schools. If a school offers a course, it shall be offered to all students regardless if the student is hearing, hard of hearing or deaf.
LB840		<a href="#"><u>Prohibit the use of electronic smoking devices as prescribed under the Nebraska Clean Indoor Air Act</u></a>	Sen. Dan Quick	HHS			Adds the use of an electronic smoking device, to the Nebraska Indoor Air Act.
LB847		<a href="#"><u>Change requirement for dispensing drugs in certain health care facilities</u></a>	Sen. John Arch	HHS			Specific to LTC- At the sole discretion of a pharmacist, the pharmacist may package drugs and devices at the request of the patient or patient's caregiver if the drugs and devices were originally dispensed from a different pharmacy.
LB849		<a href="#"><u>Change eligibility requirements under the Young Adult Bridge to Independence Act</u></a>	Sen. Pansing Brooks	HHS			Changes the legal age from 19 to 18 years of age in Nebraska
LB851		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to eligibility for services under the Medical Assistance Act</u></a>	Sen. John McCollister	HHS			Suggests that continuous eligibility be maintained under Medicaid for a child under the age of 19 without additional review by the department and regardless of changes in resources or income.
LB862		<a href="#"><u>Prohibit possession by minors of tobacco and nicotine products</u></a>	Sen. Dan Hughes	General Affairs			A person under the age of 19 shall not possess tobacco or electronic delivery system device

LB864		<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Bed Bug Detection and Treatment Act for cities of the metropolitan class</u></a>	Sen. Justin Wayne	Urban Affairs			Once a tenant reports suspected bed bugs to their landlord, the landlord has 96 hours to hire a qualified inspector and effectively treat the presence if found. <small>The intention of this bill is to increase workforce</small>
LB867		<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Local Option Municipal Childcare Financing Act</u></a>	Sen. Matt Hansen	Urban Affairs			development by allowing access to affordable and quality childcare. Strenuous process to map out and qualify a city to adopt an ordinance to establish an economic development program. The amount will then be fixed in the biennium budget. No greater than \$5 million.
LB868		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to mediators under the Parenting Act</u></a>	Sen. Steve Lathrop	Judiciary	1/24/2020		A Parenting Act mediator, "including an attorney serving as a parenting plan mediator," prior to meeting with the parties in an initial session, shall provide an individual screening session with each party to assess the presence of child abuse or neglect, etc.
LB872		<a href="#"><u>Eliminate requirements for the provision of information and materials regarding finding medical assistance and continuing a viable pregnancy after taking mifepristone</u></a>	Sen. Meghan Hunt	Judiciary			Removing statute that passed in 2019 regarding information a doctor should provide when offering mifepristone second round to allow the patient a change of heart.
LB874		<a href="#"><u>Restate intent regarding funding programs from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund</u></a>	Sen. Sara Howard	Appropriations			Intent that any additional funding of the NHCCF after June 1, 2020 only be funded from investment income derived from the principal of the Nebraska Tobacco Settlement Trust Fund from previous fiscal year
LB875		<a href="#"><u>Require a Medicaid state plan amendment for outpatient assisted therapy</u></a>	Sen. Sara Howard	HHS			No later than Oct. 1, 2020, the DHSS shall submit a SPA or waiver to CMS to provide coverage under the medical assistance program for outpatient assisted therapy for all eligible recipients

LB878		<a href="#"><u>Redefine immediate family and change conflict of interest provisions under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act</u></a>	Sen. Lynn Walz	Government, Military and VA			Immediate family shall mean a child "of an individual" and deletes existing statute that says "residing in an individual's household" for federal income tax purposes
LB886		<a href="#"><u>Prohibit certain acts by health insurers and network providers and list a deceptive trade practice</u></a>	Sen. John Arch	Banking, Commerce and Insurance			In response to the Millard Family Hospital that has declined coverage with CMS and is not in-network with any other provider, although advertising says different. Voids any contract between a facility and person that advertises as an in-network provider.
LB887		<a href="#"><u>Authorize pharmacists to adapt prescriptions to aid consumers</u></a>	Sen. John Arch	HHS			A pharmacist who is acting in good faith and exercising reasonable care and has obtained patient consent may- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. change the quantity of a drug prescribed if: a. quantity is not commercially available or b. change in quantity is related to dosage form.</li> <li>2. change dosage if it is in the best interest of the patient and directions are modified.</li> <li>3. extend a one-time refill</li> </ol>

LB893		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to emergency care providers and provide for community paramedicine and critical care paramedics</u></a>	Sen. Bruce Bostelman	HHS			Defines “emergency care provider” to include emergency medical responders, emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians, community paramedics, critical care paramedics, and other paramedics licensed and classified under the EMSPractice Act. Strikes references to “out-of-hospital” emergency care providers. Defines “community paramedicine practice of emergency medical care” and “critical care paramedic practice of emergency medical care.” Requires the EMS Board to establish criteria for community paramedicine and critical care paramedics. Changes reference to performance of activities within scope of practice and “as determined by a licensed health care practitioner,” requiring physician medical directors to supervise emergency care providers for an emergency medical service; a physician, PA, or APRN to supervise in a setting other than an incident to which an emergency medical service has been called, and a nurse to direct in a setting other than an emergency medical setting.
LB897		<a href="#"><u>Appropriate funds for behavioral health aid</u></a>	Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh	Appropriations			Appropriates \$4,350,000 from the General Fund for FY 20-21 to DHHS for behavioral health aid, including community-based mental health and substance abuse services
LB901		<a href="#"><u>Appropriate funds for the Nebraska Perinatal Quality Improvement Collaborative</u></a>	Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh	Appropriations			Appropriates \$200,000 from the General Fund for FY 20-21 to DHHS to contract with UNMC for the Nebraska Perinatal Quality Improvement Collaborative.
LB903		<a href="#"><u>Provide for Down Syndrome Awareness license plates</u></a>	Sen. Rick Kolowski	Transportation and Telecommunications			Fee \$40. State Treasurer shall credit 60% to DMV and 40% to Highway Trust Fund.
LB906		<a href="#"><u>Provide requirements and restrictions on maintenance, release, and use of video recordings of forensic interviews of children</u></a>	Sen. Wendy DeBoer	Judiciary	1/23/2020		Supported by Project Harmony, Seeks to secure forensic interviews of children in child advocacy centers. Upon request, shall release to law enforcement to investigate.

LB907		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to adoptions</u></a>	Sen. Wendy DeBoer	Judiciary		Adds "regardless of their marital status." Also adds: Any minor child who has a sole legal parent may be adopted by a second adult if- the sole legal parent consents and the child has a parent-child relationship with the second person and an adoptive home study is completed.
LB917		<a href="#"><u>Provide for a diabetes pilot study</u></a>	Sen. Justin Wayne	HHS		Appropriates \$2 million in each of the next 5 years for a statewide diabetes pilot study (done at a Nebraska postsecondary institution with a medical school) that identifies ways to reduce the financial costs of diabetes to the Medicaid program. The program will test the hypothesis that the integration of technology into the case management protocol of a Medicaid patient with diabetes, including use of remotely monitored glucose sensors, interdisciplinary coaching, and telehealth communication, will lead to improved health outcomes and decreased health care costs; and use technology-based platforms for the delivery of effective diabetes self-management education, support, and treatment for up to 1,000 diabetic Medicaid patients.

LB922		<a href="#"><u>Require electronic issuance of prescriptions for controlled substances as prescribed</u></a>	Sen. Mark Kolterman	HHS		<p>Beginning in 2021 prescriptions for controlled substances must be issued using electronic prescription technology from the prescriber issuing the prescription to a pharmacy. This requirement does not apply to prescriptions issued by veterinarians; issued when the prescriber and the dispenser are the same entity; issued for a drug for which the FDA requires the prescription to contain certain elements that are not able to be accomplished with electronic prescribing; issued for dispensing a non-patient-specific prescription which is a standing order, approved protocol for drug therapy, collaborative drug management, comprehensive medication management, in response to a public health emergency, or in other circumstances where the prescriber may issue a non-patient-specific prescription; issued under circumstances in which the prescriber reasonably determines that it would be impractical for the patient to obtain substances prescribed by electronic prescription in a timely manner and that such delay would adversely impact the patient's medical condition; or issued for drugs requiring compounding. A violation of this section shall not be grounds for disciplinary action under the Uniform Credentialing Act.</p>
LB932		<a href="#"><u>Require expansion of the medical assistance program as prescribed</u></a>	Sen. Anna Wishart	HHS		<p>Requires DHHS to, on or before Oct. 1, 2020, expand eligibility for and to provide Medicaid to adults between the ages of 19 and 64 whose income level is less than or equal to 138% of the federal poverty level.</p>
LB941		<a href="#"><u>Create the Nebraska Youth in Care Bill of Rights</u></a>	Sen. Meghan Hunt	Judiciary		<p>Any child in foster care, child-care institution or a juvenile facility through a court proceeding shall receive the same quality of care as an in family child would receive. State of NE shall aspire to treat all children with dignity and respect, honest and clear communication and to help them understand the system in which they are involved.</p>

LB946	O?	<a href="#"><u>Change the sales tax rate and impose sales tax on additional services</u></a>	Sen. Tom Briese	Revenue		Makes sales tax applicable to all services (services shall be presumed taxable unless a specific sales tax exemption applies). Service includes all activities that are engaged in for other persons for a consideration and that involve predominantly the performance of a service as distinguished from selling or leasing tangible personal property. The term does not include services rendered by an employee to his or her employer. Provides that beginning Oct. 1, 2021, the sales tax rate be lowered from 5.5% to 4% and that it then be adjusted to provide approximately the same amount of sales tax revenue as would have been generated had the changes to the sales tax base made by this bill not gone into effect.
LB949		<a href="#"><u>Limit the amount an insured individual pays for prescription insulin drugs</u></a>	Sen. Kate Bolz	Banking, Commerce and Insurance		All payors shall limit the out-of-pocket expense for insured individuals to \$100 per 30 day supply for insulin, regardless of the amount or type of insulin needed.
LB954		<a href="#"><u>Change insurance provisions relating to fees for dental services</u></a>	Sen. Brett Lindstrom	Banking, Commerce and Insurance		Plan shall not include any restrictions on methods of claim payment for dental services made by the policy, contract, agreement or plan in which the only acceptable payment method is a credit card payment.
LB955		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to eligibility for medical assistance</u></a>	Sen. Lynn Walz	HHS		Notice of a decision to discontinue eligibility or to modify medical assistance shall include an explanation of the proposed action, the reason for the action, information used to make the decision or laws requiring such action.
LB956		<a href="#"><u>Provide duties for managed care organizations under the Medical Assistance Act</u></a>	Sen. Lynn Walz	HHS		If an MCO makes any material change to a provider agreement, the MCO shall provide the provider with at least 90 days notice of the change. The notice shall include: 1. the effective date 2. description of the change 3. Notice of the opportunity to communicate concerns with proposed changes

LB964		<a href="#"><u>Provide for an acknowledgment of maternity</u></a>	Sen. Mike McDonnell	Judiciary			Biological mother means a person who is related to a child as the source of the egg that resulted in the conception of the child. Birth mother means the person who gave birth to the child. During the period immediate before or after the in-hospital birth of a child whose biological mother is not the same as the birth mother, the person in charge of such hospital or designated representative shall provide to the child's biological mother and birth mother the documents and instructions to complete a notarized acknowledgement of maternity.
LB965		<a href="#"><u>Establish a language assessment program for children who are deaf or hard of hearing</u></a>	Sen. Mike McDonnell	Education			The Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing shall establish and coordinate a language assessment program for children who are deaf or hard of hearing. The program shall assess, monitor, and track the language developmental milestones for children birth to 5 years old. Language assessments shall be given as needed to each child who is less than 6. Those are administered by a network that provides services for children with special needs through the school district in which the child is enrolled.
LB967		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions regarding bullying prevention and education</u></a>	Sen. Wendy DeBoer	Education			On and after Aug. 1, 2020, school districts shall create a policy that creates a clear statement that school district prohibits harassment, intimidation, bullying, cyberbullying in school and at any school sponsored activity. Must also develop a procedure to review and respond to bullying reports.
LB969		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to video depositions of child victims and child witnesses</u></a>	Sen. Justin Wayne	Judiciary	1/23/2020		Changes videotape to video or videorecording. Adds: Upon obtaining the video recording or a copy of the video recording, the defendant, the defendant's attorney or an agency may transcribe or replicate the video recording for purposes of review or inspection by the defendant.
LB970		<a href="#"><u>Limit the amount an insured individual pays for prescription insulin drugs</u></a>	Sen. Justin Wayne	Banking, Commerce and Insurance			Also limits insulin to \$100, regardless of supply, per 30 days
LB974		<a href="#"><u>Change taxation and school funding provisions</u></a>	Revenue Committee	Revenue	1/22/2020		Reduces the reliance of school aid formula on property taxes by 13-15% with the inclusion of state aid to schools mostly in rural areas

LB975		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to reports of child abuse or neglect</u></a>	Sen. Suzanne Geist	Judiciary			Strikes from existing statute the need to obtain the name and phone number of a person making a child abuse report
LB976		<a href="#"><u>Redefine handicapped or disabled person for purposes of handicapped or disabled parking permits</u></a>	Sen. Kate Bolz	Urban Affairs			Adds neurological impairment
LB988		<a href="#"><u>Provide restrictions on business entity ownership with respect to certain professional services</u></a>	Sen. Mike Hilgers	Banking, Commerce and Insurance			A business entity formed for the purpose of rendering professional service, the performance of which is subject to credentialing under the Uniform Credentialing Act, may have owners who are persons not credentialed in a professional service regulated under the Uniform Credentialing Act or persons who are credentialed in a professional service regulated under the Uniform Credentialing Act other than the professional service for which the business entity was formed. Such owners shall not, in the aggregate, directly or beneficially, comprise a majority of the owners of such business entity
LB991		<a href="#"><u>Create the offense of sexual assault of a student and prohibit related enticement conduct by school officials</u></a>	Sen. Steve Halloran	Judiciary			Class II felony for first time offenders. Class ID felony for repeat offenders. Includes electronic enticing.

LB992		<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Broadband Internet Service Infrastructure Act and provide for certain broadband and Internet-related services</u></a>	Sen. Curt Friesen	Transportation and Telecommunications		<p>It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage local and regional broadband planning, and to encourage public-private partnerships to enhance broadband services in unserved and underserved areas of the state. Creates the position of state broadband coordinator to be located in the office of the Chief Information Officer. The coordinator shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Encourage each county or region to appoint a broadband coordinator to facilitate broadband planning and coordination;</li> <li>(b) Encourage each county or region to work with groups of stakeholders,</li> <li>(c) Assist in determining what broadband assets are available, the areas for improvement, and strategies to improve broadband availability and use; and</li> <li>(d) Explore the creation of broadband cooperatives in unserved or underserved areas of the state.</li> </ul>
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LB994	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Organ Transplant Fairness Act</u></a>	Sen. Dave Murman	Judiciary		<p>A covered entity (a licensed provider of health care services, including a hospital) shall not, solely on the basis of a qualified individual's mental or physical disability: (a) Deem the individual ineligible to receive an organ transplant; (b) Deny services related to organ transplantation; (c) Refuse to refer the individual to a transplant center or other related specialist for the purpose of evaluation or receipt of an organ transplant; (d) Refuse to place the individual on an organ transplant waiting list; (e) Place an individual at a lower-priority position on an organ transplant waiting list than the position at which the individual would have been placed if not for the individual's disability; or (f) Decline insurance coverage for any procedure associated with the receipt of an organ transplant, including post-transplantation care. A covered entity may take an individual's disability into account when making treatment or coverage recommendations or decisions, solely to the extent that the physical or mental disability has been found by a physician or surgeon, following an individualized evaluation of the individual, to be medically significant to the organ transplant. A person aggrieved by a violation of the Act may bring a civil action against a covered entity. A successful plaintiff shall be entitled to appropriate relief, including attorney's fees, and costs. The state may be sued upon claims arising under Act in the same manner. All proceedings pursuant to the Act have the highest priority and shall be advanced on the court docket to provide for the earliest practical disposition.</p>
LB996	<a href="#"><u>Create the Broadband Data Improvement Program</u></a>	Sen. Tom Brandt	Transportation and Telecommunications		<p>Creates the program to ensure accurate representation in federal broadband grant programs. Must prioritize data improvement in rural areas.</p>

LB997	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Out-of-Network Emergency Medical Care Act</u></a>		Sen. Adam Morfeld	Banking, Commerce and Insurance			<p>If a covered person receives emergency services at any health care facility, the facility shall not bill the covered person in excess of any deductible, copayment, or coinsurance amount applicable to in-network services pursuant to the covered person's health benefits plan. If a covered person receives emergency services at an in-network or out-of-network health care facility, the health care provider shall not bill the covered person in excess of any deductible, copayment, or coinsurance amount applicable to in-network services pursuant to the covered person's health benefits plan—the carrier shall ensure that the covered person incurs no greater out-of-pocket costs than the covered person would have incurred with an in-network health care provider for covered services. If emergency services provided at an in-network or out of network health care facility are performed, the out-of-network health care provider may bill the carrier for the services rendered. The carrier may pay the billed amount or notify the health care provider within 20 days after the date of the receipt of the claim that the carrier considers the claim excessive. (A claim shall be presumed reasonable if it is based on the higher of the carrier's contracted rate or 125% of the payment rate received from CMS for the same or similar services in the same geographic area.) If the carrier provides this notice, the carrier and the health care provider shall have 30 days to negotiate a settlement or engage in mediation. The carrier and the health care provider shall reach agreement through the mediation process. The cost of mediation shall be split evenly by the carrier and the health care provider.</p>
LB998	<a href="#"><u>Require behavioral awareness and interventional training and points of contact, transfer funds and change the TEEOSA</u></a>		Sen. Dave Murman	Education	1/27/2020		<p>Creates the Behavioral Training Cash Fund administered by the Dept. of Education with money appropriated by Legislature. To be used for mandatory behavioral awareness and intervention training to: 1. recognize detrimental factors impacting student behavior 2. signs of trauma 3. proactive teaching strategies 4. de-escalation techniques 5. clear guidelines on removing students from class. Designate one or more people in each school as point of contact and to train them in community service providers.</p>

LB1001		<a href="#"><u>Require student prevention phone numbers on student ID cards</u></a>	Sen. Sue Crawford			Beginning in the 2021-22 school year, each school board shall require the phone number for a national suicide prevention hotline or crisis line on each student ID card to students in middle school and high school
LB1002		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to wholesale drug distribution for emergency medical reasons</u></a>	Sen. Bruce Bostelman			The sale, purchase, or trade of or an offer to sell, purchase or trade a prescription drug for emergency medical reasons or "an emergency medical service to use for the provision of emergency medical care, not to exceed 5% of sales."
LB1008		<a href="#"><u>Provide, change and eliminate provisions relating to appropriations</u></a>	Speaker Scheer			Placeholder budget Bill at the request of the Governor
LB1009		<a href="#"><u>Provide for transfers of funds, repeal a fund, change use of a fund</u></a>	Speaker Scheer			Placeholder budget Bill at the request of the Governor
LB1010		<a href="#"><u>Change Cash Reserve Fund provisions</u></a>	Speaker Scheer			Placeholder budget Bill at the request of the Governor
LB1011		<a href="#"><u>Require certain hospitals to accept reimbursement from the Medicare program</u></a>	Sen. John Arch			"In response to the Migrant Family Hospital, each hospital other than a rehab hospital, psych or mental hospital, CAH or LTC hospital shall enter into an agreement with the US Secretary of HHS to accept reimbursement for services from the Medicare program."
LB1012		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to tax exemptions for property acquired by certain tax-exempt entities</u></a>	Sen. Andrew LaGrone			Any organization seeking tax exemption shall make the application for exemption on or before Dec. 31 of the year the property was acquired. The county shall complete as soon as practicable after receipt.
LB1013		<a href="#"><u>Change the cigarette tax and exempt certain transactions</u></a>	Sen. Lou Ann Linehan			Changes language related to cigar tax being used in the Master Settlement Agreement.
LB1016		<a href="#"><u>Change the Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection Act</u></a>	Sen. Matt Hansen			An employer shall not retaliate or discriminate against an employee because the employee- 1. files a suit or complaint under the Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection Act or 2. Testifies, assists or participates in an investigation or action concerning a violation of the act

LB1018		<a href="#"><u>Appropriate funds to DHHS</u></a>	Sen. Tony Vargas	Appropriations		\$6.5 million from General Fund to local public health departments
LB1019		<a href="#"><u>Appropriate funds to DHHS</u></a>	Sen. Tony Vargas	Appropriations		\$3 million from General Fund for the seven federally qualified community health centers
LB1023		<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Extraordinary Increase in Special Education Cost Act</u></a>	Sen. Wendy DeBoer			On or after Sept. 21 of each school fiscal year, a school district may apply to the Dept. of Education for a payment from the newly developed fund to cover any extraordinary increase in special education.
LB1036		<a href="#"><u>Allow persons 18 years of age to make health care decisions and persons under 19 years of age in correctional facilities to consent to medical and mental health care</u></a>	Sen. Adam Morfeld			Eighteen years of age or older may make health care decisions for himself without the consent of a parent or guardian. Under nineteen of age and who is committed to the Dept. of Corrections may consent to medical and mental health services.
LB1037		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to household eligibility for SNAP benefits</u></a>	Sen. Meghan Hunt			If a person in the household violates work requirements, only that person and not the whole household would lose SNAP benefits.
LB1038		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to eligibility of SNAP</u></a>	Sen. Meghan Hunt			A person convicted of a felony involving controlled substances may only be eligible for SNAP if the person- 1. completed sentence 2. serving a term of parole, probation or post-release supervision
LB1039		<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Hunger-Free Schools Act</u></a>	Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh			Intent to provide each eligible student in a public school with meals at no cost. Eligible means a meal served to a student which is reimbursable by the federal government.
LB1040		<a href="#"><u>Provide for a state food insecurity nutrition incentive grant program</u></a>	Sen. Tony Vargas			\$150,000 from General Fund to Dept. of Ag to administer a state food insecurity nutrition incentive grant program.

LB1043		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to regulation of health care facilities</u></a>	Sen. Ben Hansen				Specifies which district courts DHHS may petition for appointment of a receiver for a health care facility: Lancaster County or the county where a health care facility is located. Unless otherwise approved by the court, no person shall be a receiver for more than 5 health care facilities at the same time. Adds to the receivers duties: conduct a thorough analysis of the financial records of the health care facility within the first 30 days of the receivership, perform ongoing accountings, and provide monthly reports of the financial status of the health care facility to the court and DHHS and make monthly reports to the court and DHHS related to plans for continued operation or sale of the health care facility. If the receivership has not been terminated within 6 months (rather than 12 months) after the appointment of the receiver, the court shall, after hearing, order that the facility be closed or sold. Specifies that the closure or sale shall occur within 60 days after the court order, unless otherwise ordered.
LB1044		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to the practice of medical nutrition therapy</u></a>	Sen. Ben Hansen				A licensed medical nutrition therapist may order patient diets, including therapeutic diets, in accordance with the provisions of this subsection, which allows a LMNT to practice under the consultation of a physician.
LB1048		<a href="#"><u>Create the offense of sexual assault by a school employee and provide notification to the Commissioner of Education</u></a>	Sen. Dan Quick				In situations of alleged out-of home child abuse or neglect, if the subject of the report of the child abuse is a school employee, DHHS shall immediately notify the Commissioner of Education.
LB1049		<a href="#"><u>Provide for participation in federal Child Care Subsidy child care assistance as prescribed</u></a>	Sen. Kate Bolz				Intent to utilize TANF carryover funding to offset expenses and increase the eligibility from 130% FPL to 150% FPL.
LB1051		<a href="#"><u>Create the Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Cash Fund</u></a>	Sen. Anna Wishart				Establishes an Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Cash Fund to award grants of up to \$50,000 to nursing facilities for one-time startup costs to provide child care in such facilities.

LB1052		<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to the preferred drug list under the Medical Assistance Act</u></a>	Sen. Anna Wishart				Establishes that Medicaid coverage shall not be denied for a patient's prescription of an antidepressant, antipsychotic, or anticonvulsant if such drug is deemed medically necessary by the patient's health care provider.
LR279CA		<a href="#"><u>Constitutional amendment to authorize an increase in the number of members of the Legislature</u></a>	Speaker Scheer	Executive Board	1/22/2020		Proposes to increase seats from 49 to 55 in the Nebraska Legislature
LR280CA		<a href="#"><u>Constitutional amendment to change legislative term limits to three consecutive terms</u></a>	Sen. Justin Wayne	Executive Board			State senators are currently restricted to two, four year terms consecutively. They must sit a full term (4 years) out before running again

#### ACTIVE CARRYOVER LEGISLATION

147	M	<a href="#"><u>To provide for the use of physical contact or physical restraint under the Student Discipline Act</u></a>	Groene- <b>Education Priority Bill</b>	Education	2/11/2019	M. Hansen filed AM2069	Permits teachers or other staff to physically restrain students when posing a threat to themselves or others. Defines physical restraint as holding hands, arms or torso, no binding.
230	M	<a href="#"><u>Provide for room confinement of juveniles as prescribed</u></a>	Pansing Brooks	Judiciary	2/14/2019	Select File within ER141	Room confinement for a juvenile for longer than one hour during a 24 hour period shall be documented and approved. Provides for several reasons when room confinement cannot be used, including- punishment, staffing shortage, retaliation by staff, room availability.

251	S	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Child Hunger Workforce Readiness Act</u></a>	Walz	Education	1/28/2019	In committee 1/14/2019	A public school participating in the National School Lunch Program or the School Breakfast Program shall provide each student who is eligible for a reduced-price breakfast or reduced-price lunch with such meal at no cost to the student. The State Dept. of Education shall reimburse each school district in the amount that the school district would otherwise have charged.
254	M	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Fair Chance Hiring Act</u></a>	McCollister	Business & Labor	2/4/2019	Final Reading	Prohibits public and private employers and employment agencies from asking for criminal history as prescribed <small>individuals who are employed with, or who is seeking to be employed with, an employer</small>
266	M	<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to a tax credit for child care and education providers</u></a>	Lindstrom	Revenue	2/1/2019	General File	employed, providing child care and early education for an eligible program for at least six months may obtain a tax credit on the quality scale rating under the Step Up to Quality Child Care Act
305	M	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Healthy and Safe Families Workplace Act</u></a>	Crawford	Business & Labor	2/4/2019	Placed on General File with AM592	Mandates that private employers with four or more employees provide workers at least one hour of paid "sick and safe time" for every 30 hours worked. An employer with a paid leave policy is exempt
328	M	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Nebraska Family First Act, provide for non-court-involved response to reports of child abuse or neglect</u></a>	Bolz	HHS	3/7/2019	In committee 1/18/2019	The Legislature finds that enhanced support to children and families can prevent foster care placement through the provision of mental health and substance abuse prevention and treatment services, in-home parent skill-based programs, and kinship navigator services. Align state welfare funding with primary outcomes of safety, permanency, and well-being.
337	M	<a href="#"><u>Require report of federal receipts with the annual state budget report</u></a>	Stinner	Government, Military & VA	2/21/2019	General File with AM971	The office of the Director of Administrative Services shall include in the annual budget report on agency budget requests information that compiles and summarizes the following- the aggregate value of the federal receipts of the agency for the preceding year, the aggregate amount appropriated to the agency by the Legislature in the preceding year, the percentage of the agency's total budget that constitutes federal receipts, a description of any requirement for a state match
343	M	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the School Safety and Rapid Response Option Act</u></a>	Halloran	Judiciary	2/28/2019	In committee 1/18/2019	Authorizes schools to allow school employees to carry concealed handguns at school as prescribed

378	M	<a href="#"><u>Change helmet provisions for auto cycles, motorcycles and mopeds</u></a>	Hansen	Transportation & Telecommunication	2/12/2019	Hilkeman AM1665 filed	Requires eye protection for all riders and passengers. Repeal helmet requirements for those 21 and over
388	M	<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to termination of parental rights, placement of children and guardianship</u></a>	Howard	Judiciary	2/8/2019	Introduced 1/17/2019	If the child has been cared for by a non-relative foster parent or parents for a continuous period of 12 months or more and bonding has occurred, preference shall be given to permanent placement with such foster parent or parent unless declined
389	M	<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to termination of parental rights</u></a>	Howard	Judiciary	2/8/2019	Introduced 1/17/2019	To change and provide grounds for termination of parental rights
458	S	<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to child abuse or neglect</u></a>	Lathrop	Judiciary	3/15/2019	Introduced 1/18/2019	Creates a multidisciplinary team for child abuse
485	M	<a href="#"><u>Appropriate money to the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Kearney</u></a>	Lowe	Appropriations	3/26/2019	Introduced 1/22/2019	\$2 million from the General Fund to the Youth Rehab and Treatment Center- Kearney
488	M	<a href="#"><u>Adopt school district requirements for mental health education and change school district requirements for drug awareness and prevention</u></a>	Howard	Education	3/25/2019	Introduced 1/22/2019	Beginning with school year 2020-2021, each school district shall incorporate age-appropriate mental health education into the school program. Includes defining mental health, warning signs, characteristics of mental wellness, resources. Shall also incorporate drug awareness and prevention into the school program for students in each grade. Education shall include-strategies to prevent illegal use of alcohol, tobacco or other drugs, and how to reduce risk of abusing and at
489	M	<a href="#"><u>Require registration for the prescription drug monitoring program</u></a>	Howard	HHS	3/28/2019	Introduced 1/22/2019	Requires each credential holder under the Uniform Credentialing Act to register with the department for the PDMP. Required within one month after issuance of the original or renewal credential. No fee.
516	M	<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to child abuse, the Child Protection and Family Safety Act, human trafficking and child welfare</u></a>	Parsing Brooks	Judiciary	2/22/2019	Introduced 1/22/2019	Requires a report of any child that may be a victim of sex trafficking and requires an in-person investigation with law enforcement, local child advocacy center and child abuse and neglect investigation team. Also has LB517 which changes human trafficking civil damage provisions

541	M	<a href="#"><u>Provide a duty for the DHHS relating to bone marrow</u></a>	Walz	HHS	3/13/2019	General File with AM950	Requires DHHS to educate residents of the state about the need for bone marrow donors, "patient populations benefiting from bone marrow donations, and how to acquire a free buccal swab kit from a bone marrow registry."
567	M	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Prescription Drug Cost Transparency Act</u></a>	Morfeld	HHS	2/13/2019	Introduced 1/22/2019	Requires notice and disclosure of information relating to the cost and pricing of prescription drugs, permits a manufacturer of a drug to negotiate discounts and rebates for drugs consistent with state and federal law. Applies to the manufacturer of a drug that is purchased or the price of which is reimbursed by any of the following- a state purchaser in NE (correctional services, DHHS, etc.) and a PBM among a few others. A manufacturer of a drug with a wholesale acquisition cost of more than \$40 for a course of therapy shall provide notice to persons identified if the increase in wholesale acquisition cost is more than 60%. Notice shall be provided in writing at least 60 days prior to the planned effective date of the increase. If a PBM receives a notice of the increase to contracting public and private purchasers which provide coverage for more than 500 lives.
568	S	<a href="#"><u>Provide for mental health first aid training for school districts and change provisions relating to the use of lottery funds</u></a>	Morfeld	Education	3/18/2019	Introduced 1/22/2019	Dept. of Ed shall establish a mental health first aid training for teachers and other personnel employed by a school district or an ESU. Training provided by certified professionals from a national organization for behavioral health. Trains teachers and staff on skills, resources, knowledge to assist students in crisis to connect with appropriate mental health care services, create action plans, safely de-escalate the crisis, timely refer student to a mental health service in the early stages of the development of a mental disorder
569	M	<a href="#"><u>Adopt the Out-of-Network Consumer Protection, Transparency and Accountability Act</u></a>	Morfeld	Banking, Commerce & Insurance	3/5/2019	Introduced 1/22/2019	Prior to scheduling an appointment with a covered person for a nonemergency procedure, a health care facility shall- disclose to the covered person whether they are in-network or out-of-network with respect to the cover person's health benefits plan; advise that the covered person will have a financial responsibility applicable to an in-network procedure and not in excess of the covered's copayment, deductible or coinsurance.

634	S	<a href="#"><u>Require three-point safety belt systems for school vehicles</u></a>	Hilkemann	Transportation & Telecommunication	3/4/2019	Introduced 1/23/2019	Any vehicle used by or on behalf of a school district or ESU for the transportation of students shall be equipped with three-point safety belt systems. Exempt if- vehicle was purchased prior to the effective date of the act or if the school board or ESU holds a vote that money is not in the budget to accommodate such changes.
666	M	<a href="#"><u>Change Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund and train first responders and EMTs in rural areas</u></a>	Dorn	Appropriations	3/12/2019	Introduced 1/23/2019	State Treasurer shall transfer \$200,000 for FY 2020-21 from the Health Care Cash Fund to the Board of Regents to be used for the Simulation in Motion program to train first responders and EMTs in rural areas.
701	M	<a href="#"><u>Require billing for emergency medical services</u></a>	Bostelman	HHS	3/20/2019	Introduced 1/23/2019	EMS shall transmit a request for payment to recipient of service involving transportation of the recipient to a health care facility or to his or her parent or guardian if recipient is a minor
710	S	<a href="#"><u>Tobacco tax increase and distribution of funds</u></a>	Cavanaugh	Revenue	2/28/2019	Introduced 1/23/2019	Tobacco tax increase bill. All tobacco products beginning FY 2020-21 and thereafter will have \$1.50 of a \$2.14 tax shall be distributed to- 70% General Fund, 1.1% Outdoor Recreation Development Cash Fund, 1% to UNMC and Creighton for cancer research, 2.5% to Building Renewal Allocation Fund, 3% equally distributed to UNMC, Creighton and Boys Town for neurobehavioral research in children, 25% Medicaid expansion, 2% College of Public Health, 2% FQHCs, 6% to increase CHIP eligibility, 1% EMS initiatives, 2.5% FMLA start up, 5% K-12 education, 2.5% telehealth services, and 2% to the Behavioral Health Provider Rate Stabilization Fund which is created by this bill to support reimbursement of behavioral health services provider rates.
727	S	<a href="#"><u>Provide duties for school districts, State Dept. of Education and DHSS with respect to mental health services</u></a>	Walz	Education	2/19/2019	Introduced 1/23/2019	State Dept. of Education in consultation with DHSS shall provide each school district with a registry of state and local mental health resources available to work with students and families by geographic area. Registry shall be updated annually and include resources for both school-based services and services outside of the school. Each school district shall designate one or more mental health points of contact for each school building (nurse, administrator, psychologist, social worker, etc.) and must train them to have knowledge of community service providers for students

728	S	<a href="#"><u>Provide duties relating to school meals</u></a>	Walz	Education	2/19/2019	Introduced 1/23/2019	The department shall promote practices to prevent and reduce student debt for school breakfasts and lunches and shall create a uniform meal charge policy that schools may implement that shall require- each student be served a reimbursable meal upon request at each meal during each school day, regardless of whether such student can immediately pay for the meal or has accrued debt.
730	M	<a href="#"><u>Change provisions relating to APRNs</u></a>	Walz	HHS	2/6/2019	Introduced 1/23/2019	An APRN may, within scope of practice- conduct an advanced assessment as defined by the board, order and interpret diagnostic procedures, establish primary and differential diagnosis, prescribe, order, administer, dispense and furnish therapeutic measures, consult with other health care professionals and provide referrals to providers and resources; wear ID that identifies individual is an APRN; May assess the need for and prescribe, administer drugs, immunizing agents, diagnostic tests and treatments.

