

# 2018 Nebraska Legislation Affecting Early Childhood



z Bill enacted into law   o Included in the budget bill   A Provisions/portions amended into different bill   x Bill no longer active

Bill #	Sponsor(s)	Summary	Status
<b>First Five Nebraska's Legislation to Watch</b>			
x <a href="#">LR270CA</a>	Kolowski	This proposed constitutional amendment would lower the age and provide free instruction for children ages 3-21 years old for those who opt in.	4/18/2018 Indefinitely Postponed
x <a href="#">LR285CA</a>	Murante	This constitutional amendment would eliminate the State Board of Education and make the Department of Education report directly to the Office of the Governor.	4/18/2018 Indefinitely Postponed
<b>Additional Legislation Affecting Early Childhood</b>			
x <a href="#">LR288</a>	Bolz	This resolution would create the Nebraska Child Welfare Death and Abuse Special Committee of the Legislature. This committee would be responsible for investigating the children in the care of the Department of Health and Human Services.	4/18/2018 Indefinitely Postponed
x <a href="#">LR291</a>	Kolowski	This resolution recommends that school administrators, teachers, parents, and students be educated about the potential health risks of heavy backpacks.	4/18/2018 Indefinitely Postponed
<a href="#">LR357</a>	Kolowski	This interim study will analyze early childhood education in Nebraska and potential methods that could help ensure universal access to high-quality early childhood education.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR362</a>	Groene	To study issues within the jurisdiction of the Education Committee.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR372</a>	Baker	To study school violence and identify ways state government can support communities and school districts in their efforts to create safe school environments.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR381</a>	Hilgers	To examine whether to include financial literacy and entrepreneurship as part of the academic content standards adopted by the Nebraska State Board of Education.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR389</a>	Bolz	This interim study will analyze potential legislative opportunities to help encourage economic development and growth in Nebraska.	6/25/2018 Notice of Hearing: Appropriations Committee Friday, October 19, 2018
<a href="#">LR393</a>	Walz	The study will examine delinquent or unpaid school meal accounts in Nebraska. It also will analyze school policies regarding unpaid school meal accounts and determine how these policies affect students and their families.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR402</a>	Halloran	To study granting local school boards authority to allow school employees to carry concealed handguns on school grounds.	5/30/2018 Notice of Hearing: Judiciary Committee Friday, September 28, 2018
<a href="#">LR418</a>	Howard	To study racial and ethnic inequalities in Nebraska's foster care and juvenile justice systems.	5/30/2018 Notice of Hearing: Judiciary Committee Friday, September 28, 2018

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<a href="#">LR419</a>	Howard	To examine the term “shaken baby syndrome” as it exists in Nebraska statutes.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Health & Human Services Committee
<a href="#">LR420</a>	Riepe	This interim study will study possible collaboration between the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services and the Nebraska Department of Education to address behavioral or mental health issues for students.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Health & Human Services Committee
<a href="#">LR428</a>	Pansing Brooks	To examine the potential impact of including micro-credentialing in Nebraska.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR429</a>	Pansing Brooks	To examine the role of school resource officers in public schools.	5/30/2018 Notice of Hearing: Judiciary Committee Friday, September 28, 2018
<a href="#">LR430</a>	Bolz	This interim study will study the federal Family First Prevention Services Act of 2017 and its implementation in Nebraska.	6/25/2018 Notice of Hearing: Appropriations Committee Friday, October 19, 2018
<a href="#">LR434</a>	Linehan	To study the structure and financing for K-12 education.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR438</a>	Walz	This interim study will examine the benefits of establishing an educational trust fund and the impact it would have on limiting funding through the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act (TEEOSA) formula.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR439</a>	Walz	To study implementation of LB276, which allows schools to request Medicaid reimbursement for services delivered to Medicaid-eligible special education students.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR447</a>	Morfeld	This will examine security measures to ensure safety in schools.	5/30/2018 Notice of Hearing: Judiciary Committee Friday, September 28, 2018
<a href="#">LR451</a>	Bolz	This will analyze the work of the Nebraska Children’s Commission and determine whether the commission should continue or be revised.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Health & Human Services Committee
<a href="#">LR452</a>	Vargas	This interim study will evaluate alternative teacher certification programs.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Education Committee
<a href="#">LR456</a>	Vargas	To analyze the Student Discipline Act and examine how schools implement this legislation.	3/27/2018 Referred to: Executive Board
<a href="#">LR467</a>	Wayne	To analyze the Nebraska Juvenile Code.	4/4/2018 Referred to: Judiciary Committee