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LEGISLATIVE BILL 915

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10; Morfeld, 46; Pansing Brooks, 28; Seiler, 33; Williams,
36.

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Committee: Judiciary

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to veterans' treatment court programs; to
- 2 amend section 24-1302, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to
- 3 state findings relating to the establishment of a veterans'
- 4 treatment court program pilot project; to provide for court rules
- 5 relating to the administration of veterans' treatment court
- 6 programs; and to repeal the original section.
- 7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 24-1302, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 24-1302 (1) Drug court programs and problem solving court programs
4 shall be subject to rules which shall be promulgated by the Supreme Court
5 for procedures to be implemented in the administration of such programs.

6 (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that funds be appropriated
7 separately to the Supreme Court for each of the programs, the drug court
8 programs and the problem solving court programs, to carry out this
9 section and section 24-1301.

10 (3)(a) It is the intent of the Legislature that the Supreme Court
11 establish a three-year pilot project to create a veterans' treatment
12 court program for any county in which a city of the metropolitan class is
13 located. Such program shall be considered a problem solving court program
14 and shall be subject to the rules which shall be promulgated by the
15 Supreme Court for procedures to be implemented for the administration of
16 such program.

17 (b) Upon conclusion of the pilot project, the Supreme Court shall
18 determine the viability of the veterans' treatment court model in
19 Nebraska and electronically submit a report to the Legislature containing
20 the Supreme Court's recommendations concerning the continuation or
21 termination of such courts in Nebraska. Such report shall also include
22 the Supreme Court's recommendations as to whether the pilot project
23 should be continued in any county in which a city of the metropolitan
24 class is located and whether veterans' treatment court programs should be
25 utilized in other counties.

26 Sec. 2. Original section 24-1302, Reissue Revised Statutes of
27 Nebraska, is repealed.