

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 174

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PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine issues related to Legislative Bill 335, introduced in the One Hundred Eighth Legislature of Nebraska, First Session, and the impact health care staffing agencies have had on the delivery of health care services in Nebraska. This study shall include, but need not be limited to, an examination of the following:

- (1) The cost disparity between staffing agency workers and facility-employed workers;
- (2) The cost to taxpayers through medicaid expenditures from health care staffing agencies;
- (3) The impact of staffing issues including cost and availability of staff on the ability of health care facilities to independently hire and retain staff and provide services;
- (4) The number of health care staffing agencies operating in Nebraska;
- (5) The reliability of information regarding worker eligibility received from health care staffing agencies;
- (6) Legislation adopted by other states related to health care staffing agencies; and
- (7) The potential need for regulation or fee schedules for health care staffing agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Business and Labor Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.