

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 485

Approved by the Governor May 26, 1973

Introduced by Executive Board, Mahoney, 5, V-Chmn.

AN ACT to amend section 50-404, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, sections 50-111 and 50-401.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, and section 50-112, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, as amended by section 1, Legislative Bill 82, Eighty-third Legislature, First Session, 1973, relating to the Legislature; to change provisions relating to officers and employees of the Legislature as prescribed; to provide powers and duties of the Executive Board; to provide immunity; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 50-111, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, be amended to read as follows:

50-111. The officers and--employees of the Legislature shall consist of a speaker, chief clerk, assistant clerk, sergeant at arms, doorkeeper,--engrossing and-enrolling-clerk, chaplain, and such other officers and-employees as may be deemed necessary for the proper transaction of business, such-other-officers-or-employees to be elected by the Legislature.---Such--employees--and officers-shall-be-recommended-to-the-Legislature--by--the upon the recommendation of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council, except that the board shall make no recommendation as to the speaker.

Sec. 2. That section 50-112, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, as amended by section 1, Legislative Bill 82, Eighty-third Legislature, First Session, 1973, be amended to read as follows:

50-112. There shall be paid to each of the several officers, except the speaker, and-employees named in section 50-111 for their official services such salaries as shall be fixed by the legislature,--upon--the recommendation-of-the Executive Board of the Legislative Council, unless otherwise directed by the Legislature.

Sec. 3. That section 50-401.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, be amended to read as follows:

50-401.01. The Legislative Council shall have an executive board, to be known as the Executive Board of the Legislative Council, which shall consist of a chairman, vice-chairman, and six members of the Legislature, to be chosen by the Legislature at the commencement of each regular session of the Legislature when the speaker is chosen, and the Speaker of the Legislature. The Legislature at large shall elect two of its members from legislative districts Nos. 1, 2, 15, 16, 23 to 30, 32 to 35, and 46; two from legislative districts Nos. 3 to 14, 20, 31, and 45; and two from legislative districts Nos. 17 to 19, 21, 22, 36 to 44, and 47 to 49. The Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations shall serve as a nonvoting ex officio member of the Executive Board whenever the board is considering fiscal administration. The Executive Board shall supervise all services and service personnel of the Legislature and the board shall have the authority to employ and fix salaries for such personnel as may be needed to carry out the intent and activities of the legislature or of the board, unless otherwise directed by the legislature. The Legislative Council shall occupy and maintain offices in the State Capitol.

Sec. 4. That section 50-404, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, be amended to read as follows:

50-404. The Executive Board shall have power and authority to appoint committees of the Legislative Council and assign subjects to them for study and reports. No member of the Legislature shall be liable in any civil or criminal action whatever for words spoken at an authorized committee meeting when conducting an investigation authorized by the Executive Board or for words spoken at meetings of standing or special committees of the Legislature.

Sec. 5. That original section 50-404, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, sections 50-111 and 50-401.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, and section 50-112, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943, as amended by section 1, Legislative Bill 82, Eighty-third Legislature, First Session, 1973, are repealed.