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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Nebraska has more than 200 statutorily created boards, commissions, and other similar entities (boards). Among the many tasks assigned to them, boards provide oversight of governmental programs, regulate licensed professionals, carry out studies, oversee implementation of new programs, advocate for certain constituencies, and advise state agencies.

In 1997, the Executive Board of the Legislative Council requested that the Legislative Research Office compile and annually update a list of statutorily created boards. This publication contains that list.<sup>2</sup>

#### THE LEGISLATURE'S ROLE IN BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The Legislature plays a pivotal role in the establishment, administration, and operation of the state's boards and commissions.

First, as evidenced by the more than 200 statutorily created boards, the Legislature creates boards via passage of legislation. In addition to creating boards, the legislation establishes membership and prescribes powers and duties.

Second, members of the Legislature are often required to confirm specific board members appointed by the Governor. Forty-seven boards have members who must be confirmed by a majority vote of the Legislature. The boards are identified in Appendix D, Table 5.

Finally, legislators serve as ex officio board members and appoint members or provide nominees for appointment by the Governor. Information about those boards can be found in Appendix A, Tables 1 and 2.

#### **BOARDS CREATED IN THE NEBRASKA CONSTITUTION**

Twelve boards are created in the Nebraska Constitution. They are the: Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, State Board of Education, Board of Educational Lands and Funds, Commission of Industrial Relations, judicial nominating commissions, Commission on Judicial Qualifications, Board of Pardons, Board of Parole, Public Service Commission, Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges, Tax Equalization and Review Commission, and University of Nebraska Board of Regents.

#### **BOARDS AS AGENCIES OF STATE GOVERNMENT**

Of the 232 statutorily created boards documented in this report, 51 are state agencies.

What makes a board a state agency?

The Nebraska Blue Book defines state agencies as entities which have their own staffs, are not affiliated with another agency or entity, and appear as distinct items within the state budget. The most recent board/agency—the Nebraska Tourism Commission—was created in 2012 with the passage of LB

Although the Research Office annually updates the list of statutorily created boards and commissions, this report is published biennially.

The list does not include: (1) boards created by executive order, by agency rule or regulation, or pursuant to federal mandates, unless enacted via state statutes; (2) governing commissions or councils created pursuant to interstate compacts; or (3) legislative committees or commissions with membership limited to state senators; or (4) boards created via state statutes that serve local government (e.g., local school boards or boards of directors of natural resources districts).

1053. (Previously, the commission had been a division within the Department of Economic Development.)

Nebraska state agencies are categorized as "code agencies" or "noncode agencies"; however, neither phrase is statutorily defined, making categorizing agencies more art than science.<sup>3</sup>

Generally, a "code agency" is an agency whose executive director or chief official is appointed by the Governor. The appointee serves at the pleasure of and answers directly to the Governor. On the other hand, a "noncode agency" is an agency whose executive director or chief official is appointed by the governing agency board (whose members are usually gubernatorial appointees themselves).

Of the 51 agency boards, five are under the direct control of the Governor and are considered code agencies, and the remaining 46 are considered noncode agencies. Appendix B, Table 3 lists these boards and includes additional information about them.

#### OTHER STATUTORILY CREATED BOARDS

Many of the remaining state boards are created or housed within other state agencies. The health profession licensing boards within the Department of Health and Human Services are examples.

However, a significant number of boards defy categorization; they are not full-fledged state agencies nor are they completely under the control of another state agency. The *Nebraska Blue Book* classifies these boards as "other state governmental bodies" and describes them as follows: "[M]iscellaneous boards, commissions, committees, councils, authorities and quasi-governmental bodies and bodies with members from more than one branch of state government. None of these entities are full-fledged state agencies, but they have a degree of independence that keeps them from being classified within any department or agency."<sup>4</sup> Among this diverse group of boards are the Environmental Trust Board, the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority, and the State Anatomical Board.

All of these boards are listed within the master list of Nebraska Boards and Commissions found in Appendix D, Table 5.

#### 2015-2016 LEGISLATION IMPACTING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The 104th Legislature created 13 new boards and eliminated five boards.

#### New Boards Enacted in 2015

Committee of experts to advise the Department of Agriculture on the development of an assessment matrix (Laws 2015, LB 106). Committee members, appointed by the Director of Agriculture, advise the department in the development and review of an assessment matrix that can be used by county officials to approve or disapprove a livestock operation conditional use permit or special exception application. The committee must not exceed 10 members and includes representatives from county board members, county zoning administrators, livestock production

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The terms "code" and "noncode" harken back to 1919, when the Legislature adopted the Civil Administrative Code. Essentially, the 1919 legislation reorganized the executive branch of state government. The legislation abolished over 20 boards, commissions, and other departmental subdivisions and replaced them with six departments, each headed by a gubernatorial appointee. Those agencies and subsequent, similarly structured agencies came to be called "code agencies." Because sources disagree on how boards are classified and consistent statutory guidance is lacking, this report uses the Governor's Office classification of code and noncode agency boards, as generally reflected in the *Nebraska Blue Book*.

<sup>4</sup> *The Nebraska Blue Book*, 2012-13, p.725.

agriculture, the University of Nebraska, and other experts as determined by the director. After a matrix is developed, the committee's task is to annually review the matrix and recommend changes as needed.

Community Gardens Task Force (Laws 2015, LB 175). The task force is another entity under the direction of the Director of Agriculture. The task force is to identify and develop ways to encourage state agencies, municipalities, and individuals to establish and expand community gardens. LB 175 defines a community garden to be public or private land upon which individuals have the opportunity to raise a garden on land which they do not themselves own. The task force is composed of no more than nine members, at least three of whom are representatives of nonprofit organizations involved with community gardens. Remaining members can include representatives from appropriate state agencies, existing community gardens, counties, cities, towns, villages, utility districts, and school districts. The task force must issue a preliminary report to the Department of Agriculture and the Legislature by December 15, 2015 and a final report by December 15, 2016.

Out-of-Home Data Pilot Project Advisory Committee (Laws 2015, LB 265). The advisory committee oversees the Out-of-Home Data Pilot Project, the purpose of which is to demonstrate how an existing state agency data system or systems, currently used to account for children and juveniles in out-of-home placements, can serve as a foundation for an independent, external oversite data warehouse. The advisory committee membership includes the Inspector General of Child Welfare, the State Court Administrator, the probation administrator, the executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, the Commissioner of Education, the executive director of the Foster Care Review Office, a representative of the University of Nebraska Omaha Juvenile Justice Institute, the Nebraska state Chief Information Officer, and one representative each from the Division of Children and Family Services, the Division of Developmental Disabilities, the Division of Behavioral Health, and the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care of the Department of Health and Human Services. The task force must submit a report to the Legislature, the Governor, and the Supreme Court by December 15, 2015.

Rent-Restricted Housing Projects Valuation Committee (Laws 2015, LB 356). The committee's purpose is to develop a market-derived capitalization rate to be used by county assessors in determining the assessed valuation for rent-restricted housing projects. The bill defines a rent-restricted housing project to be a project consisting of five or more houses or residential units that has received an allocation of federal low-income housing tax credits under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code from the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority, and, for the year of assessment, meets certain state statutory definitions of rental housing projects. The committee is composed of the Property Tax Administrator and three members appointed by the Tax Commissioner: a representative of the county assessors; a representative of the low-income housing industry; and an appraiser from the private sector. The committee must meet annually in November to review and set the capitalization rate and to issue its report to the Property Tax Administrator.

Intergenerational Poverty Task Force (Laws 2015, LB 607). The task force is charged with assessing the effectiveness of poverty programs in Nebraska and making recommendations to improve poverty programs with an intent to break the cycle of poverty that affects generations of Nebraska families. The voting membership of the task force is composed of legislators, including the chairs of the Health and Human Services and Appropriations committees and three senators selected by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council. Additionally, the chief executive officer of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Commissioner of Labor, and the Commissioner of Education serve as nonvoting, ex officio members. The voting membership constitutes the executive committee of the task force. The executive committee also selects advisory members to the task force who include representatives from advocacy groups that focus on childhood poverty and education issues; academic experts in childhood poverty or education; service providers; educational institutions; workforce development agencies; and experts in early childhood education. The task force must submit a preliminary report by December 15, 2015 and a final report, with recommendations, by December 16, 2016. The task force terminates on December 31, 2016.

#### New Boards Enacted in 2016

#### Veterinary Prescription Monitoring Program Task Force (Laws 2016, LB 471).

The task force must determine which controlled substances veterinarians are required to report to the prescription drug monitoring program when dispensing drugs from a veterinarian's office or an animal shelter as required by LB 471. The task force is composed of at least 10 members, who are appointed by the chairperson of the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee. Membership includes: one member of the Health and Human Services Committee; two at-large members of the Legislature; three members selected from a list of six veterinarians provided by the Board of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery, one of whom is employed by or provides services at an animal shelter; one pharmacist nominated by the Nebraska Pharmacists Association; and two members nominated by the Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association. Additionally, a representative of the prescription drug monitoring program serves as a nonvoting member in an advisory capacity. The task force is to report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature by December 1, 2016.

Stroke System of Care Task Force (Laws 2016, LB 722). The task force is intended to provide advice and recommendations to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in matters pertaining to the treatment of stroke patients, particularly in the implementation of the Stroke System of Care Act. The task force must focus on care in both urban and rural settings. The task force is composed of DHHS staff; representatives from the national and Nebraska stroke associations, hospitals designated as comprehensive stroke centers, hospitals designated as primary stroke centers, and rural hospitals; physicians; and emergency medical service representatives.

Normalcy Task Force (Laws 2016, LB 746). The task force is charged with monitoring and making recommendations regarding implementation in Nebraska of the federal Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act. Members of the task force include representatives from the three branches of government; at least three young adults previously or currently in foster care; a representative from the juvenile probation system; the executive director the Foster Care Review Office; representatives from a child welfare advocacy organization, a child welfare service agency, an independent living services agency, and a child-care institution; one or more current or former foster parents; one or more parents with experience in the foster care system; one or more professionals with relevant practical experience, such as a caseworker; and one or more guardians ad litem who practice in juvenile court. The Children's Commission appoints members to the task force and its chairperson. By December 15 of each year, the task force is to issue a written report on its efforts and recommendations concerning implementation of the act and related efforts to improve normalcy for children in foster care. The report goes to the Children's Commission, the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Governor.

Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs (Laws 2016, LB 754). Addressing issues of military significance to the state is the focus of the commission. The 10-member commission is composed of the following voting members: the Director of Economic Development; the Adjutant General or his or her designee; the Director of Veterans' Affairs; and three state residents, appointed by the Governor from each congressional district, one of whom must have military experience and one of whom must have a business background. The nonvoting members include the chair of the State Committee of Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve and the commanders of the 55<sup>th</sup> Wing of the Air Combat Command, the U.S. Strategic Command, and the 557<sup>th</sup> Weather Wing of the U.S. Air Force or their designees. The commission is authorized to receive and administer funds from state, federal, and other sources. The Department of Veterans' Affairs provides administrative support to the commission. A military affairs liaison, hired by the department, carries out the day-to-day administrative functions and other duties as assigned by the commission and serves at the pleasure of the commission. The commission can also hire experts and consultants as necessary to carry out its duties.

911 service system advisory committee (Laws 2016, LB 938). The advisory committee is to assist the Public Service Commission and the state 911 director, including providing input on technical training, quality assurance, funding, and operation and maintenance of the 911 service system. LB 938 does not outline requirements for membership, except to say members are to be approved by the Public Service Commission, which is given new duties per the 911 Service System Act.

Disability services stakeholder advisory committee (Laws 2016, LB 1033). The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is charged with developing a strategic plan for providing services to persons with disabilities in the most integrated, community-based environment possible. To assist in the review and development of the plan, an advisory committee is appointed by DHHS. Members of the advisory committee include representatives from the State Advisory Committee on Mental Health Services, the Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities, the Nebraska Statewide Independent Living Council, the Nebraska Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities, the Division of Rehabilitation Services, the State Department of Education, housing authorities, numerous other stakeholder organizations, and other persons at the discretion of DHHS. Copies of the completed strategic plan are due to the Legislature and the Governor by December 15, 2018.

Advisory committee to advise the Department of Environmental Quality regarding the study on the status of solid waste management programs (Laws 2016, LB 1101). The Department of Environmental Quality is directed to study its solid waste management programs and recommend changes to modernize and revise the programs. To assist with the study, the Director of Environmental Quality must establish an advisory committee of no more than nine members. Copies of the study are to be provided to the Executive Board of the Legislative Council and the chairpersons of the Natural Resources, Urban Affairs, and Appropriations committees by December 15, 2017.

**Nebraska Craft Brewery Board (Laws 2016, LB 1105).** The board is to provide a forum for beer manufacturers and producers of agricultural products used in the brewing process and to serve as an advisory panel to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission in all matters pertaining to the beer industry. The Governor appoints members to the seven-member board. Members must be at least 21 years of age and engaged or previously engaged in the beer industry. The executive director of the Tourism Commission or designee serves as an ex officio, nonvoting member. Members serve three-year terms and are reimbursed expenses. The board must produce an annual report detailing the programs for which the board authorized funding.

#### Eliminated Boards, 2015-2016

The Legislature eliminated five boards during the 2015-2016 biennium.

- Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission (Laws 2015, LB 4)
- Innovation and Entrepreneurship Task Force (Laws 2015, LB 5)
- Republican River Basin Water Sustainability Task Force (Laws 2015, LB 9)
- Nebraska Workforce Investment Board (Laws 2015, LB 334)<sup>5</sup>
- Nebraska Justice Reinvestment Working Group (Laws 2015, LB 605)

Laws 2016, LB 1110 re-established the Nebraska Workforce Development Board, codified at Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 43-3403. However, the board is established by the Governor in accordance with federal law and is, therefore, outside the scope of the boards and commissions documented in this report.

#### Existing Boards, 2015-2016

This report does not track every change made to existing boards. However, the following significant changes are briefly noted.

#### 2015

**Public Employees Retirement Board (Laws 2015, LB 40).** The board is given authority to issue subpoenas during the course of an investigation into overpayment of benefits.

**Aging Nebraskans Task Force (Laws 2015, LB 320).** The task force, which was created in 2014 to develop a plan to address the needs of the state's aging population, is given the additional task of developing a specific state plan for individuals with Alzheimer's disease.

**Foster Care Advisory Committee (Laws 2015, LB 265).** The advisory committee is given new membership requirements. Specifically, three members of the committee must be local board members, one member must have data analysis experience, and one member must be a resident of the state who represents the public at-large.

**Nebraska Tourism Commission (Laws 2015, LB 449).** The commission is given new duties. Specifically, the commission is given oversight of a process to select and mark significant tourism attractions; to administer the State Visitors Promotion Cash Fund and the newly created Tourism Conference Cash Fund; to develop a program to provide marketing assistance grants to communities and organizations hosting large events that attract out-of-state attendees; and to set the salary of its executive director.

Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education (Laws 2015, LB 519). The commission is given administrative duties for the newly created community college gap assistance program, including developing the program's rules and regulations. Immediate oversight, including the awarding of grants under the program, is given to the Nebraska Community College Student Performance and Occupational Education Grant Committee.

#### 2016

**Public Employees Retirement Board (Laws 2016, LB 447).** The terms of members of the board are staggered so as to guarantee an experienced and knowledgeable board.

*Nebraska Children's Commission (Laws 2016, LB 746).* The commission's termination date is extended to June 30, 2019.

**Nebraska Exchange Stakeholder Commission (Laws 2016, LB 770).** The sunset date of this commission was moved up a year, from July 1, 2017 to July 1, 2016, at the request of its chairperson because there was no work for the commission after Nebraska opted to join the federal health care exchange rather than create a state entity.

**Power Review Board (Laws 2016, LB 824).** Board members who are designated to be the board's representatives on the Southwest Power Pool Regional State Committee can receive a per diem of \$250 for time spent on official committee duties. (The statutory per diem for board members without these additional duties is \$60.)

**Public Service Commission (PSC) (Laws 2016, LB 938).** The PSC is named the statewide coordinating authority for implementing the 911 service system. The new duties include management and maintenance of the 911 service system to ensure coordinated 911 service reaches all state residents consistently and in a cost-effective manner. The PSC also appoints a new state 911 director and members

to the 911 advisory committee and collaborates on a plan to develop and implement the statewide 911 service system.

**Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force (Laws 2016, LB 1038).** The task force, which terminated in June 2015 but remained in statute, was reinstated as an active task force. Additional members to the task force are a representative from each river basin that has *not* been determined to be over appropriated or fully appropriated; a representative from the Department of Environmental Quality; and a representative from the Environmental Trust. Additionally, any state legislator can serve as a nonvoting member. The task force's ongoing responsibility is to develop vegetation management goals and objectives, analyze the cost effectiveness of vegetation treatment options, develop plans and policies to achieve results, and issue annual reports.

*Niobrara Council (Laws 2016, LB 1038).* Appointments to the council are to be confirmed by the Legislature.

**Nebraska Tourism Commission (Laws 2016, LB 1105).** The commission's executive director serves as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Nebraska Craft Brewery Board. At the direction of and in cooperation with the Nebraska Craft Brewery Board, the commission is given duties to use money collected in the Nebraska Beer Industry Promotional Fund to develop and maintain programs for the beer industry, including promotion and marketing of Nebraska-brewed beer.

#### North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners v. FTC, 135 S. Ct. 1101 (2015)

In a ruling with unusual relevance to state boards and commissions, the U.S. Supreme Court held in a 2015 decision that when a controlling number of state board members are market participants, the board must be "actively supervised" to share the state's immunity from antitrust actions.

North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners v. FTC involved a state licensing agency, the State Board of Dental Examiners, who, by North Carolina statute, is required to have six of its eight members be practicing dentists. The board issued cease and desist orders to individuals who were not dentists and were providing teeth whitening services. The board's rationale was that teeth whitening was a dental service that must be provided by licensed dentists. Subsequently, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) charged the board with violating federal antitrust law and the U.S. Supreme Court agreed that a board composed largely of persons employed in the field being regulated ("market participants") would need state supervision over their actions to order to claim immunity from antitrust action.

The case had ramifications beyond the borders of North Carolina and the practice of dentistry; it applies to all boards and commissions to which states have delegated regulatory authority over an industry.

In Nebraska two bills in 2016 responded to the decision by changing how certain state regulatory boards go about their business.

*Laws 2016, LB 859,* pertains to the licensing boards of professions regulated by the state Uniform Credential Act. Specifically, LB 859 eliminates the direct authority of licensing boards to issue cease and desist orders. The boards can recommend the orders be issued, but the actual orders must come from the director of the Division of Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services.

*Laws 2016, LB 938*, authorizes the chairperson of the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, who, by statute, is the Director of Motor Vehicles, to review, modify, alter, approve, or reject any action of the board taken when a controlling number of board members are active participants in the market being regulated by its orders.

#### **Nebraska Boards and Commissions Tables**

Appendices A, B, C, and D contain the boards and commissions tables.

Appendix A, Tables 1 and 2, list those boards on which state senators either (1) serve as members or (2) nominate or appoint members.

Appendix B, Table 3, lists those boards that are agencies of state government.

Appendix C, Table 4, lists those boards created during the 2015-2016 biennium.

Appendix D, Table 5, is a comprehensive list of all statutorily created boards tracked by this report. (For reference, termination dates refer to the termination date listed in statute for that particular board. Terminated boards continue to be listed in this report until they are actually removed from statute by enacted legislation.)

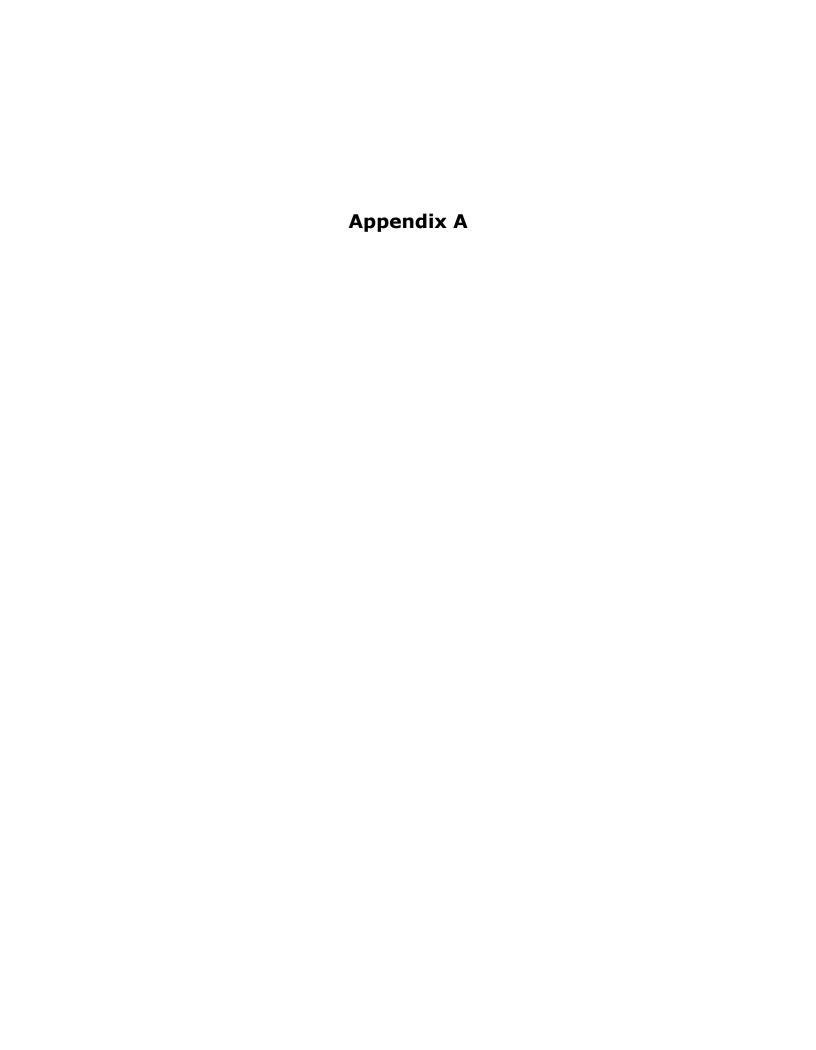


Table 1

Boards with State Senators as Members

Board/Commission	Statute	Members	Voting Member	Administering Agency
Aging Nebraskans Task Force	68-1107	Chair, Health and Human Services Committee; One member each from the Appropriations, Health and Human Services, and Planning committees; One at-large legislator	Yes	Legislative Council
Capitol Commission, Nebraska	81- 1108.32	Speaker (can designate Executive Board chair or Clerk as representative)	Yes	Office of the Capitol Commission
Child Support Advisory Commission	43- 3342.05	Chair, Judiciary Committee; Chair, Health and Human Services Committee		Legislative Council
Children's Behavioral Health Task Force	43-4001	Chair, Health and Human Services Committee; Chair, Appropriations Committee (Each can designate an alternative representative from his or her respective committee.)		Health and Human Services and Appropriations committees
Children's Commission, Nebraska	43-4202	Chair, Health and Human Services Committee; Chair, Judiciary Committee; Chair, Appropriations Committee (or designees)	No	Foster Care Review Office

<b>Board/Commission</b>	Statute	Members	Voting Member	Administering Agency
Climate Assessment Response Committee	2-4901	Chair, Agriculture Committee; Chair, Natural Resources Committee	No	Office of the Governor
Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, State	79-2204	Chair, Education Committee	No	State Department of Education
Homeland Security Policy Group	81-830	Member, Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee; Member, Appropriations Committee	No	Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, Nebraska Military Department
Information Technology Commission, Nebraska	86-515	Member, Transportation and Telecommunications Committee	No	Department of Administrative Services; Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission
Intergenerational Poverty Task Force	50-429	Chair, Health and Human Services Committee; Chair, Appropriations Committee Three at-large members	Yes	Legislature
Medicaid Reform Council	68-948	Chair, Health and Human Services Committee or designee	No	Department of Health and Human Services
Normalcy Task Force	43-4218	Representatives of the Legislature	No	Children's Commission
Medical Home Advisory Council	68-961	Chair, Health and Human Services Committee or designee	No	Division of Medicaid and Long- Term Care of the Department of Health and Human Services
Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force	2-969	Any legislator can serve at his or her option	No	Department of Agriculture
Veterinary Prescription Monitoring Program Task Force	71- 2454.01	A member of the Health and Human Services Committee and two at- large members	Yes	Health and Human Services Committee
Water Funding Task Force	50-505	Chair, Natural Resources Committee; Five at-large legislators	No	Department of Natural Resources

<b>Board/Commission</b>	Statute	Members	Voting Member	Administering Agency
Young Adult Bridge to	43-4513	Membership must include	No	Department of Health and
Independence Advisory		"representatives from all three		Human Services
Committee		branches of government."		

Table 2
Boards with Members Nominated/Appointed by the Legislature

Board	Statute	Nomination/Appointment
Accountability and Disclosure	49-14,105	The Governor selects two members from lists provided by the
Commission, Nebraska		Legislature.
Aging Nebraskans Task Force	68-1107	Four members are appointed by the executive committee of the task force, which is composed of members from each branch of government, including five legislators. Four of the legislators are appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council. (The fifth legislator serving on the task force is the chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee.)
Economic Forecasting Advisory Board, Nebraska	77-27,157	Five of the nine members of the advisory board are appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council.
Foster Care Advisory Committee	43-1302	The Health and Human Services Committee provides the Governor with three lists of nominees, each list representing specific qualifications, from which the Governor selects five members.
Homeland Security Policy Group	81-830	The Executive Board of the Legislative Council selects one member each from the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee and the Appropriations Committee.
Intergenerational Poverty Task Force	50-429	The Executive Board of the Legislative Council appoints the three atlarge members.
Nebraska Information Technology	86-515	The Executive Board of the Legislative Council selects a member of the
Commission		Transportation and Telecommunications Committee.
Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel	81-1505.03	Four of the panel's seven members are selected by the Legislature.
Veterinary Prescription Monitoring Program Task Force	71-2454.01	The chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee appoints the members.

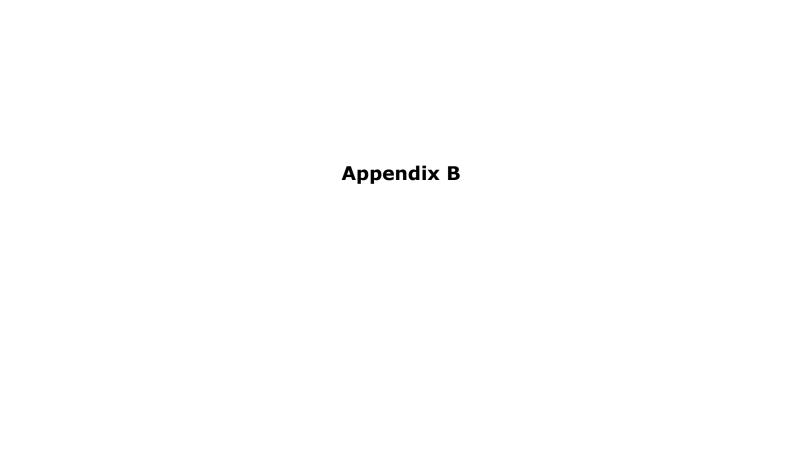


Table 3

### **Boards as Agencies of State Government**

#### **Code Agency Boards**

Name	Statute	Compensation	Members	Terms	Year Created
Aeronautics Commission	3-104	Expenses	5	5 years	1945
Environmental Quality Council	81-1503	Expenses; \$40 per diem	17	4 years	1971
Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice	81-1416	Expenses	18	6 years	1969
Nebraska Natural Resources Commission	2-1504	Expenses; \$50 per diem	16	4 years	1937¹
Parole, Board of	Const. Art. IV, sec. 13, 83-188	Annual salary, as fixed by the Governor. Service is considered a full-time job.	5	6 years	1969

The Natural Resources Commission was created in 1937 (Laws 1937, c. 8, sec. 4, p. 94) as the State Soil Conservation Committee, later the Soil and Water Conservation Commission. It was renamed the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission in 1972. The Department of Natural Resources was established in 2000 via the merger of the commission and the Department of Water Resources (Laws 2000, LB 900).

#### **Noncode Agency Boards**

Name	Statute	Compensation	Members	Terms	Term Limits	Year Created
Abstracters Board of Examiners	76-540	Expenses; \$50 per diem	5	5 years	Yes	1965
Accountability and Disclosure Commission, Nebraska	49-14,105	Expenses	9	6 years	No	1976
Arts Council, Nebraska	82-309	Expenses	15	3 years	Yes	1965 <sup>2</sup>
Barber Examiners, Board of	71-221	Expenses; \$75 per diem	3	3 years	No	1927
Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for the	71-8604	Expenses; \$70 per diem	5	4 years	Yes	2000
Brand Committee, Nebraska	54-191	Expenses	5	4 years	No	1941
Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education	Const. Art. VII, sec. 14 85-1403	Expenses	11	6 years	No	19763
Corn Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-3604	Expenses; \$25 per diem	94	3 years	No	1978
Dairy Industry Development Board	2-3951	Expenses	Set by formula	3 years	No	1992
Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Commission for the	71-4720	Expenses	9	3 years	Yes	1979
Dry Bean Commission	2-3745	Expenses	95	3 years	Yes	1987

In 1973, the Legislature repealed the original act and replaced it with new legislation creating a 15-member council.
 In 1990, Nebraska voters approved placing the commission in the State Constitution.
 Additionally, the Director of Agriculture, the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, and the president of the Nebraska Corn Growers Association serve as ex officio, nonvoting members.

<sup>5</sup> The director of the Panhandle Research and Extension Center serves as an ex officio, nonvoting member.

Name	Statute	Compensation	Members	Terms	Term Limits	Year Created
Education, State Board of Vocational Education, State Board of <sup>6</sup>	Const. Art. VII, sec. 3 79-301 79-321	Expenses	8	4 years <sup>7</sup>	No	1952 <sup>8</sup>
Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	Const. Art. VII, sec. 6 72-201	Expenses	5	5 years	No	18759
Educational Telecommunications Commission, Nebraska	79-1313	Expenses	11	4 years	No	1963
Electrical Board, State	81-2103	Expenses	7	5 years	No	1975 <sup>10</sup>
Engineers and Architects, Board of	81-3428	Expenses; \$60 per diem	8	5 years	No	1937
Equal Opportunity Commission, Nebraska	48-1116	Expenses; \$50 per diem	7	3 years	No	1965
Ethanol Board, Nebraska	66-1335	Expenses; \$25 per diem	7	4 years	No	197111
Game and Parks Commission	37-101	Expenses; \$35 per diem	10	4 years	Yes	187912

The State Board of Education serves as the State Board of Vocational Education.

<sup>7</sup> The State Board of Education is an elective office.

A constitutional amendment to create a State Department of Education, governed by a State Board of Education, was approved by voters in 1952. Legislation the next year established this structure in statute.

The Nebraska Constitution of 1875 provided for a "board of commissioners for the sale, leasing, and general management of all lands and funds set apart for educational purposes...." It was composed of the Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Attorney General, and the Commissioner of Public Lands and Buildings. In 1955, the Legislature changed the board's membership to a body appointed by the Governor, after voters approved the change in a constitutional amendment in 1954.

<sup>10</sup> Prior to 1975, the state Electrical Board was a division within the State Fire Marshal's Office.

Laws 1971, LB 776 created an Agricultural Products Industrial Utilization Committee, which over time came to be known as the Gasohol Committee, the precursor to the Ethanol Authority and Development Board, which was renamed simply the Nebraska Ethanol Board in 1993.

The commission originated in 1879 as the Board of Fish Commissioners and has undergone numerous permutations since then. In 1929, the Legislature merged the Bureau of Game and Fish in the Department of Agriculture with the state Park Board to create the Game, Forestation and Parks Commission. In 1967, the Legislature created the position of State Forester and removed oversight of forests from the commission, which then became the Game and Parks Commission.

Name	Statute	Compensation	Members	Terms	Term Limits	Year Created
Foster Care Advisory Committee	43-1302	Expenses	5	3 years	Yes	2012
Geologists, Board of	81-3520	Expenses	7	5 years	No	1998
Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-4002	Expenses	713	3 years	No	1981
Historical Society Board of Trustees, Nebraska State	82-101	Expenses	15	3 years	Yes	187814
Indian Affairs, Commission on	81-2501	Expenses; \$50 per diem	14	4 years	No	1971
Industrial Relations, Commission of	Const. Art. XV, sec. 9 48-803	Expenses; \$475 per diem	5	6 years	No	1947
Investment Council, Nebraska	72-1237	Expenses; \$75 per diem	5 <sup>15</sup>	5 years	No	1969
Land Surveyors, Board of Examiners for	81-8,110	Expenses	5 <sup>16</sup>	5 years	No	195717
Landscape Architects, State Board of	81-8,186	Expenses	6	5 years	No	1967
Latino-Americans, Commission on	81-8,262	Expenses; \$35 per diem	1018	3 years	No	197219
Library Commission, Nebraska	51-401	Expenses	6	3 years	Yes	1901
Liquor Control Commission, Nebraska	53-105	Expenses; \$12,500 annual salary <sup>20</sup>	3	6 years	No	1935

13 The Director of Agriculture and the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources are ex officio, nonvoting board members.

<sup>14</sup> The Historical Society was founded in 1878, became a state institution in 1883, and a state agency in 1994.

<sup>15</sup> The State Treasurer and the executive director of the State Employees Retirement Systems serve as ex officio, nonvoting members.

<sup>16</sup> The State Surveyor serves as the ex officio secretary of the board.

<sup>17</sup> The board became an independent state agency in 1971.

<sup>18</sup> The board is composed of nine members appointed by the Governor and the Governor, or his or her designee, who serves as an ex officio member with the power to vote.

<sup>19</sup> The commission was originally known as the Commission on Mexican-Americans.

<sup>20</sup> Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 53-106 prohibits members of the Liquor Control Commission from holding any other position or office under state law, the laws of other states, or the federal government. The commission is just one of four boards or commissions that is salaried. (The others are the Parole Board, the Public Service Commission, and the Tax Equalization and Review Commission.)

Name	Statute	Compensation	Members	Terms	Term Limits	Year Created
Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board	60-1402	Expenses; \$50 per diem	9 plus 1 <sup>21</sup>	3 years	Yes	1957
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Nebraska	57-904	Expenses; \$50 per diem	3	4 years	No	1959
Power Review Board, Nebraska	70-1003	Expenses; \$60 per diem	5	4 years	Yes	1963
Public Accountancy, Nebraska State Board of	1-107	Expenses; \$100 per diem	8	4 years	Yes	190922
Public Advocacy, Commission on	29-3923	Expenses	9	6 years	No	1995
Public Employees Retirement Board	84-1501	Expenses; \$50 per diem	9 <sup>23</sup>	5 years	No	1971
Public Service Commission	Const. Art. IV, sec. 20	Expenses; \$75,000 annual salary <sup>24</sup>	5 <sup>25</sup>	6 years	No	1906 <sup>26</sup>
Racing Commission, State	2-1201	Expenses	5	4 years	No	1935
Real Estate Commission, State	81-885.07	Expenses; \$100 per diem	7 <sup>27</sup>	6 years	Yes	1973
Real Property Appraiser Board	76-2222	Expenses; \$100 per diem	5	5 years	Yes	1990
State Colleges, Board of Trustees of Nebraska	Const. Art. VII, sec. 13 85-301	Expenses	7 <sup>28</sup>	6 years	No	1867

21 The Director of Motor Vehicles serves as the board's chair.

<sup>22</sup> The predecessor board was known as the Board of Examiners of Public Accountants; the current board was statutorily established in 1957.

<sup>23</sup> The State Investment Officer serves as an ex officio, nonvoting member.

<sup>24</sup> The commission's salary is set by the Legislature.

<sup>25</sup> The Nebraska Constitution allows the commission to have between 3 and 7 members; the current board lists 5 members.

<sup>26</sup> The Public Service Commission is another board that has undergone numerous changes over its lifetime. Its lineage traces back to the Railway Commission, which was established in 1885 and composed of state constitutional officers. In 1906, voters ratified a constitutional amendment creating an elective railway commission.

<sup>27</sup> The Secretary of State serves as the commission chairperson.

<sup>28</sup> The Commissioner of Education serves as an ex officio member; the governor also annually appoints three nonvoting student trustees, one each from the three state colleges.

Name	Statute	Compensation	Members	Terms	Term Limits	Year Created
Tax Equalization and Review Commission	Const. Art. IX, sec. 28 77-5003	Expenses; Salaried (set by Governor)	3	6 years	No	1995
Tourism Commission, Nebraska	81-3710	None in statute	9	4 years	No	2012
University of Nebraska Board of Regents	Const. Art. VI, sec. 10 85-103	Expenses	8	6 years	No	1869
Wheat Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board, Nebraska	2-2302	Expenses	7 <sup>29</sup>	5 years	No	1955 <sup>30</sup>

The Director of Agriculture and the vice chancellor of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources serve as ex officio, nonvoting members.

The Wheat Board was originally created as an advisory committee when the Division of Wheat Development, Utilization, and Marketing was established in the Department of Agriculture and Inspection. In 1981, legislation was enacted making it an independent agency (Laws 1981, LB 11).

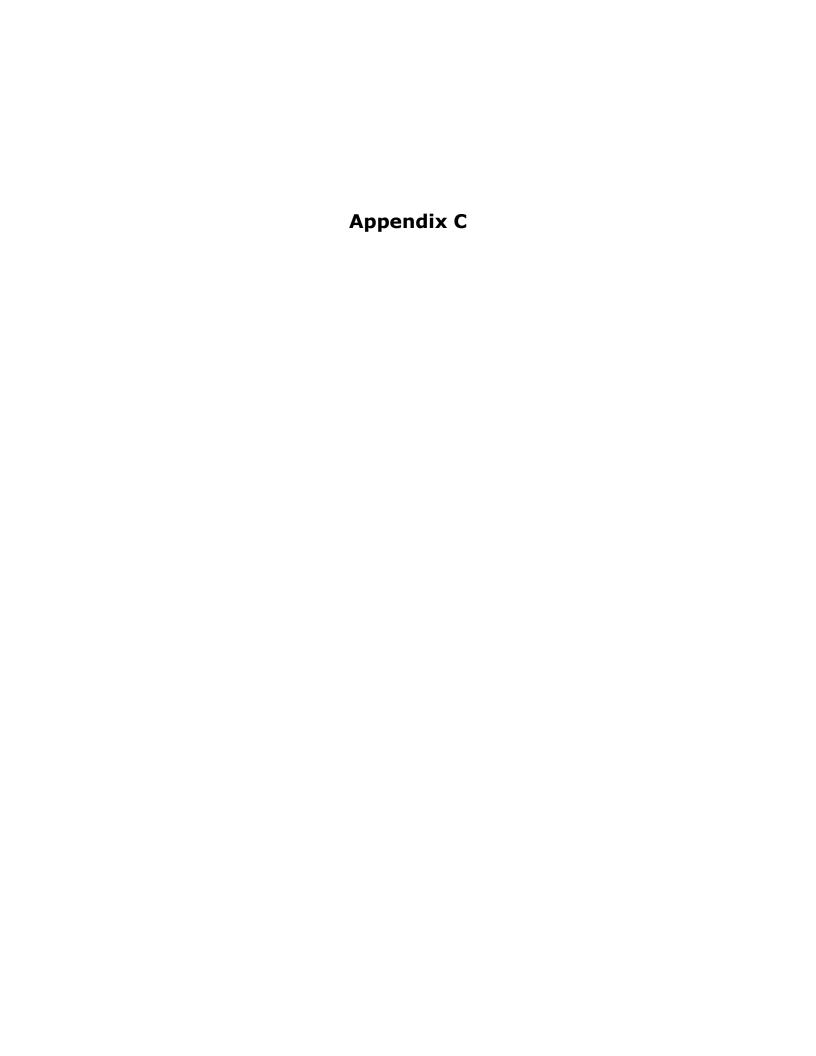
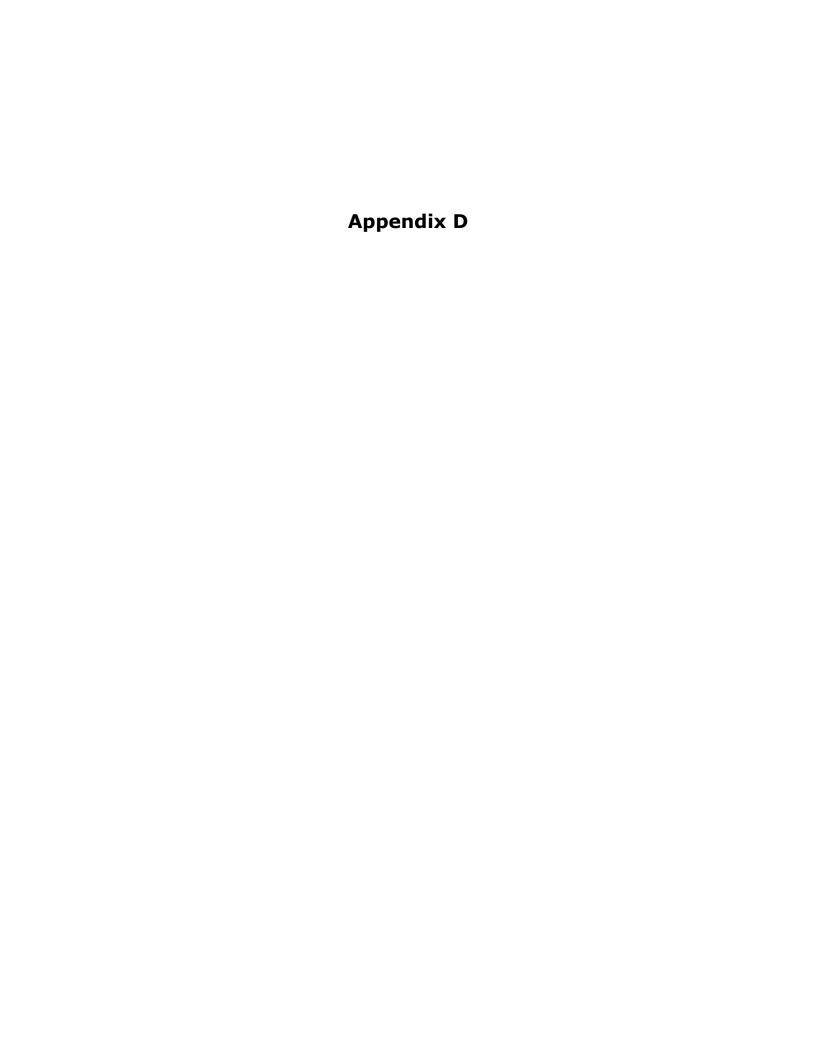


Table 4

Boards Created by the Legislature in 2015-2016

Board/Commission	Bill Number	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses
Committee of experts to advise the Department of Agriculture on the development of an assessment matrix	LB 106	81-2,294	No	None	No
Community Gardens Task Force	LB 175	2-305	No	None	No
Out-of-Home Data Pilot Project Advisory Committee	LB 265	43-1322	No	None	No
Rent-Restricted Housing Projects Valuation Committee	LB 365	77-1333	No	None	No
Veterinary Prescription Monitoring Program Task Force	LB 471	71-2454.01	No	None	No
Intergenerational Poverty Task Force	LB 607	50-429	No	12/31/16	No
Stroke System of Care Task Force	LB 722	71-4209	No	None	No
Normalcy Task Force	LB 746	43-4218	No	None	No
Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs	LB 754	55-601	No	None	Yes
911 service system advisory committee	LB 938	86-1026	No	6/30/18	No
Disability services stakeholder advisory committee	LB 1033	81-6,122	No	None	No
Advisory committee to advise the Department of Environmental Quality regarding the study on the status of solid waste management programs	LB 1101	81-15,159.01	No	None	No
Nebraska Craft Brewery Board	LB 1105	53-501	No	None	Yes



Nebraska Boards and Commissions

TABLE 5

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expensesi	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
1.	911 service system advisory committee	86-1026		6/30/18	N	
2.	Abstracters Board of Examiners	76-540			Y	\$50
3.	Accountability and Disclosure Commission, Nebraska	49-14,105	Y		Y	
4.	Accreditation Committee, State	79-703			N	
5.	Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Board of	38-204			Y	\$30
6.	Aeronautics Commission, Nebraska	3-104			Y	
7.	Aging, Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care Advisory Commission on	68-1101			Y	
8.	Aging Nebraskans Task Force	68-1107		6/30/2016	N	
9.	Alcohol and Drug Counseling, Board of	38-308			Y	\$30
10.	Anatomical Board, State	71-1001			N	
11.	Appraisers for Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	72-224.03			Y	\$50
12.	Aquaculture Board	2-5003			Y	
13.	Arts Council, Nebraska	82-309	Y		Y	
14.	Assessment Matrix, Committee of Experts to Advise the Department of Agriculture on the Development of	81-2,294			N	
15.	Athletic Training, Board of	38-401			Y	\$30
16.	Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, Board of	38-504			Y	\$30
17.	Barber Examiners, Board of	71-221			Y	\$75
18.	Beginning Farmer Board	77-5204	Y		Y	
19.	Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for the	71-8604	Y		Y	\$70
20.	Boiler Safety Code Advisory Board	48-739	Y		Y	\$50

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	<b>Expenses</b> i	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
21.	Brand Committee, Nebraska	54-191			Y	
22.	Breast and Cervical Cancer Advisory Committee	71-7012			Y	
23.	Building Renewal, Task Force for (LB 309 Task Force)	81-174			Y	Yiii
24.	Canvassers, Board of State	32-1037			N	
25.	Capital Facilities Planning Committee, State Comprehensive	81-1108.41			N	
26.	Capitol Commission, Nebraska	81-1108.32			Y	
27.	Capitol Environs Commission, Nebraska State	90-306			N	
28.	Carbon Sequestration Advisory Committee	2-5302			Y	
29.	Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board, Nebraska	43-1903	Y		Y	
30.	Child and Maternal Death Review Team, State	71-3406			Y	
31.	Child Support Advisory Commission	43-3342.05			Y	
32.	Children's Behavioral Health Task Force	43-4001		6/30/10	Y	
33.	Children's Commission, Nebraska	43-4202		6/30/19	Y	
34.	Chiropractic, Board of	38-804			Y	\$30
35.	Claims Board, State	81-8,220			Y	
36.	Climate Assessment Response Committee	2-4901	Y		Y	
37.	Collection Agency Licensing Board	45-603			Y	
38.	Committee of experts to advise the Department of Agriculture on the development of an assessment matrix	81-2,294			N	
39.	Committee to examine state policy regarding prescription and administration of psychotropic drugs to state wards	43-4203			N	
40.	Committee to examine structure and responsibilities of the Office of Juvenile Services	43-4203			N	

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expensesi	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
41.	Community College Student Performance and Occupational Education Grant Committee, Nebraska	85-1539			N	
42.	Community Gardens Task Force	2-305			N	
43.	Comprehensive Health Insurance Pool Board of Directors	44-4216			Y	Yiv
44.	Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act, State Board to Administer	13-2603			N	
45.	Conveyance Advisory Committee	48-2503			Y	
46.	Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education	Const. Art. VII, sec. 14 85-1403	Y		Y	
47.	Corn Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-3604			Y	\$25
48.	Cosmetology, Electrology, Esthetics, Nail Technology, and Body Art, Board of	38-1007			Y	\$50
49.	Council on Student Attendance	79-527.01			Y	
50.	County Attorney Standards Advisory Council	23-1213			Y	
51.	County Highway and City Street Superintendents, Board of Examiners for	39-2304			Y	
52.	Crime Victim's Reparations Committee	81-1802	Y		Y	
53.	Craft Brewery Board, Nebraska	53-501			Y	
54.	Critical Incident Stress Management Council	71-7105			N	
55.	Dairy Industry Development Board, Nebraska	2-3951			Y	
56.	Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Commission for the	71-4720	Y		Y	
57.	Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Special Committee for the Commission of the	71-4728.03	_		N	
58.	Dentistry, Board of	38-1106			Y	\$30
59.	Developmental Disabilities, Advisory Committee on	83-1212.01			Y	

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expensesi	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
60.	Disability services stakeholder advisory committee	81-6,122			N	
61.	Dispute Resolution, Advisory Council on	25-2905			Y	
62.	Dry Bean Commission	2-3745			Y	
63.	Early Childhood Education Endowment Board of Trustees	79-1104.03			Y	
64.	Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council	43-3401			Y	
65.	Economic Forecasting Advisory Board, Nebraska	77-27,156			Y	
66.	Education, State Board of	Const. Art. VII, sec. 3 79-301			Y	
67.	Educational Finance, Health and Social Services Authority, Nebraska	58-813			Y	
68.	Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	Const. Art. VII, sec. 6 72-201	Y		Y	\$50
69.	Educational Opportunity for Military Children, State Council on	79-2204			Y	
70.	Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council	79-1245			N	
71.	Educational Telecommunications Commission, Nebraska	79-1313	Y		Y	
72.	Electrical Board, State	81-2103	Y		Y	
73.	Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority, Nebraska	79-1810			Y	
74.	Emergency Medical Services, Board of	38-1206	Y		Y	
75.	Emergency Response Commission, State	81-15,210	Y		Y	
76.	Engineers and Architects, Board of	81-3428			Y	\$60

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expensesi	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
77•	Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board	86-461			Y	
78.	Environmental Health Specialists, Board of Registered	38-1307			Y	\$25
79.	Environmental Quality Council	81-1503	Y		Y	\$40
80.	Environmental Trust Board, Nebraska	81-15,170	Y		Y	
81.	Equal Opportunity Commission, Nebraska	48-1116			Y	\$50
82.	Ethanol Board, Nebraska	66-1335	Y		Y	\$25
83.	Fire Safety Appeals Board, Nebraska	81-502.01			Y	
84.	Foster Care Advisory Committee	43-1302	Y		Y	
85.	Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee	43-4216			N	
86.	Funeral Directing and Embalming, Board of	38-1405			Y	\$30
87.	Game and Parks Commission	37-101	Y		Y	\$35
88.	Geographic Information Systems Council	86-570			Y	
89.	Geologists, Board of	81-3520			Y	Y <sup>v</sup>
90.	Governor's Residence Advisory Commission	72-2101			Y	
91.	Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-4002			Y	
92.	Grape and Winery Board, Nebraska	53-301			Y	
93.	Hall of Fame Commission, Nebraska	72-724			N	
94.	Health Advisory Board	60-4,118.02			Y	
95.	Health Care Data Base Advisory Committee	71-9202	Y			
96.	Health Professions, Technical Advisory Committee for the Regulation of	71-6224			Y	
97.	Health, State Board of	71-2601	Y		Y	\$20
98.	Hearing Instrument Specialists, Board of	38-1503			Y	\$25

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	<b>Expenses</b> <sup>i</sup>	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
99.	Highway Commission, State	39-1101	Y		Y	\$20
100.	Historical Society Board of Trustees, Nebraska State	82-101			Y	
101.	Homeland Security Policy Group	81-830			N	
102.	Housing and Homelessness, Nebraska Commission on <sup>vi</sup>	58-704; 81-1281			Y	
103.	Housing and Homelessness Continuum of Care Committee, Nebraska Commission on <sup>vii</sup>	68-1605(3)			Y	
104.	Human Trafficking Issues, Task Force to Investigate	81-1430			Y	
105.	Indian Affairs, Commission on	81-2501			Y	\$50
106.	Industrial Relations, Commission of	Const. Art. XV, sec. 9 48-803	Y		Y	\$475
107.	Information Technology Commission, Nebraska	86-515	Y		Y	
108.	Information Technology Commission, Technology Review Panel for the Nebraska	86-521			N	
109.	Interagency Management Committee	71-7106			N	
110.	Intergenerational Poverty Task Force	50-429		12/31/16	N	
111.	Interpreter Review Board	71-4728.05			Y	
112.	Interrelated Water Review Board <sup>viii</sup>	46-719			N	
113.	Invasive Species Council, Nebraska	37-1403			N	
114.	Invest Nebraska Board	77-5508			N	
115.	Investment Council, Nebraska	72-1237	Y		Y	\$75
116.	Investment Finance Authority, Nebraska (NIFA)	58-226			Y	
117.	Jail Standards Board	83-4,124			Y	
118.	Judicial Branch Education Advisory Committee	24-205.01			N	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	<b>Expenses</b> i	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
119. Judicial nominating commissions <sup>ix</sup>	Const. Art. V, sec. 21 24-801			N	
120. Judicial Qualifications Commission	Const. Art. V, sec. 28 24-715			Y	
121. Judicial Resources Commission	24-1201			Y	
122. Juvenile Justice, Nebraska Coalition for	43-2411			Y	
123. Land Surveyors, Board of Examiners for	81-8,110			Y	
124. Landscape Architects, State Board of	81-8,186			Y	
125. Latino-Americans, Commission on	81-8,262			Y	\$35
126. Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, Nebraska Commission on	81-1416			Y	
127. Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Board	7-204			Y	
128. Library Commission, Nebraska	51-401			Y	
129. Liquor Control Commission, Nebraska	53-105	Y		Y	\$12,500 annual salary
130. Massage Therapy, Board of	38-1704			Y	\$30
131. Medicaid Reform Council	68-948			Y	
132. Medical Home Advisory Council	68-961			Y	
133. Medical Nutrition Therapy, Board of	38-1805			Y	\$30
134. Medical Radiography, Board of	38-1903			Y	
135. Medical Review Panel	44-2841			Y	\$50
136. Medicine and Surgery, Board of	38-2010			Y	\$30

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expensesi	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
137. Mental Health Practice, Board of	38-2105			Y	\$30
138. Mental Health Services, State Advisory Committee or	n 71-814			Y	
139. Military and Veteran Affairs, Commission on	55-601			Y	
140. Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board	60-1402	Y		Y	\$50
141. Natural Resources Commission, Nebraska	2-1504	Y <sup>x</sup>		Y	\$50
142. Natural Gas Fuel Board	66-2001	Y		N	
143. Nebraska Exchange Stakeholder Commission	44-8703	Y	7/1/16	Y	
144. Nebraska Sesquicentennial Commission	81-8,309		6/30/2018	Y	
145. Niobrara Council	72-2007	Y		Y	
146. Normalcy Task Force	43-4218			N	
147. Nursing Board, Nebraska Center for	71-1799			Y	
148. Nursing, Board of	38-2204			Y	\$100
149. Nursing Home Administration, Board of	38-2406			Y	\$30
150. Nursing Home Advisory Council	71-6044			Y	
151. Occupational Therapy Practice, Board of	38-2505			Y	
152. Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Nebraska	57-904	Y		Y	\$50
153. Optometry, Board of	38-2603			Y	\$30
154. Out-of-Home Data Pilot Project Advisory Committee	43-1322			N	
155. Pardons, Board of	Const. Art. IV, sec. 13 83-1,126			N	
156. Parole, Board of	Const. Art. IV, sec. 13 83-188	Y		N	Salaried
157. Peer Review and Quality Assurance Panel	83-4,164			N	
158. Perfusionist Committee	38-2712			Y	\$50

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	<b>Expenses</b> i	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
159.	Personnel Board, State	81-1318	Y		N	
160.	Pharmaceutical and Therapeutics Committee	68-953			Y	
161.	Pharmacy, Board of	38-2808			Y	\$30
162.	Physical Therapy, Board of	38-2905			Y	\$30
163.	Physician Assistant Committee	38-2056			Y	
164.	Podiatry, Board of	38-3003			Y	\$30
165.	Police Standards Advisory Council, Nebraska	81-1406			Y	
166.	Potato Development Committee, Nebraska	2-1803			Y	
167.	Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization, and Marketing Committee, Nebraska	2-3404			Y	\$25
168.	Power Review Board, Nebraska	70-1003	Y		Y	\$60
169.	Priority School Intervention Team	79-760.07			Y	
170.	Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Advisory Committee	81-15,245			Y	
171.	Private Postsecondary Career Schools Advisory Council	85-1607			N	
172.	Problem Gambling, Nebraska Commission on	9-1003	Y		Y	
173.	Professional Practices Commission	79-861			Y	
174.	Propane Education and Research Council	66-1617			N	
175.	Psychology, Board of	38-3103			Y	\$30
176.	Public Accountancy, Educational Advisory Committee to the Board of	1-113			N	
177.	Public Accountancy, Nebraska State Board of	1-107			Y	\$100
178.	Public Advocacy, Commission on	29-3923			Y	
179.	Public Employees Retirement Board	84-1501	Y		Y	\$50
180.	Public Guardianship, Advisory Council on	30-4106			Y	

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses <sup>i</sup>	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
181.	Public Roads Classifications and Standards, Board of	39-2106	Y		Y	\$20 <sup>xi</sup>
182.	Public Service Commission	Const. Art. IV, sec. 20			N	\$75,000 annual salary
183.	Public Water Supply, Advisory Council on	71-5311			Y	
184.	Quality Jobs Board	77-4908			N	
185.	Racial Profiling Advisory Committee	20-506			N	
186.	Racing Commission, State	2-1201	Y		Y	
187.	Real Estate Commission, State	81-885.07			Y	\$100 <sup>xii</sup>
188.	Real Property Appraiser Board	76-2222			Y	\$100
189.	Redevelopment Board, Nebraska	58-503			N	
190.	Rent-Restricted Housing Projects Valuation Committee	77-1333			N	
191.	Residual Malpractice Insurance Authority	44-2837			N	
192.	Respiratory Care Practice, Board of	38-3203			Y	\$30
193.	Review, Evaluate, and Decide Team	28-712.01			N	
194.	Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force	2-967		6/30/15	Y	
195.	Rural Health Advisory Commission	71-5654	Y		Y	
196.	Safety Center Advisory Council, Nebraska	85-1008			N	
197.	School Districts, State Committee for the Reorganization of	79-435			Y	
198.	Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel	81-1505.3			Y	
199.	Small Employer Health Reinsurance Board, Nebraska	44-5261			N	
200.	Sports Arena Facility Financing Act, board to administer	13-3102			N	

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expensesi	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
201.	Solid waste management programs, advisory committee to advise the Department of Environmental Quality regarding the study on the status of	81-15,159.01			N	
202.	State Colleges, Board of Trustees of Nebraska	Const. Art. VII, sec. 13 85-301	Y		Y	
203.	State Fair Board, Nebraska	2-101	Y <sup>xiii</sup>		N	
204.	State Records Board	84-1204			Y	
205.	State Records Board, Technical Advisory Committee to the	84-1205.01			N	
206.	Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee	71-8803	Y		Y	Yxiv
207.	Stroke System of Care Task Force	71-4209			N	
208.	Substance Abuse Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-815			Y	
209.	Suggestion Award Board	81-1348			Y	
210.	Tax Equalization and Review Commission	Const. Art. IX, sec. 28 77-5003	Y		Y	Salaried
211.	Teacher Education and Certification Advisory Committee	79-808			Y	
212.	Technical Committee to Review Statewide Assessment and Reporting Plan	79-760.03	Y		Y	
213.	Telecommunications Relay System Act, Special Advisory Committee to Administer the	86-315			N	
214.	Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Advisory Board	86-327			N	
215.	Title IV-E Demonstration Project Committee	43-4208			N	
216.	Tourism Commission, Nebraska	81-3710	Y		N	
217.	Trauma Advisory Board, State	71-8236			Y	

	Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	<b>Expenses</b> <sup>i</sup>	Per Diems <sup>ii</sup>
218.	University of Nebraska Board of Regents	Const. Art. VI, sec. 10 85-103			Y	
219.	Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee	72-812			N	
220.	Veterans' Advisory Commission	80-401.06			Y	
221.	Veterans' Homes Board	80-318			Y	
222.	Veterinary Medicine and Surgery, Board of	38-3306			Y	\$30
223.	Veterinary Prescription Monitoring Program Task Force	71-2454.01			N	
224.	Violence Prevention, Advisory Council to the Office of	81-1447			Y	
225.	Vocational Education, State Board of	79-321			Y	
226.	Water Funding Task Force	50-505		12/31/13	Y	
227.	Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Board	46-1217			Y	
228.	Wheat Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board, Nebraska	2-2302			Y	
229.	Women's Health Initiative Advisory Council	71-702			Y	
230.	Worker Training Board, Nebraska	48-622.03			N	
231.	Wyuka Cemetery Board of Trustees	12-101			N	
232.	Young Adult Bridge to Independence Advisory Committee	43-4513			N	

#### **Endnotes**

<sup>1</sup> A "Y" in this column indicates that a provision authorizing expenses exists in the statute creating the board or commission; an "N" indicates the enacting statute makes no mention of allowing expenses. However, Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 81-1178 provides that "Any member of any state commission, council, committee, or board which has been created by statute shall be entitled to be reimbursed for expenses in the same manner as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177 for state employees whether or not specific reference is made to such sections."

ii Unless otherwise noted, per diems listed are the maximum allowable in statute for that particular board. Since some statutes indicate that the permissible per diem is "at least" or "up to", the actual per diem paid to a given board member could be less than that listed. As per Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 71-112, the professional boards in the various health-related fields receive expenses as well as a per diem not to exceed \$30. Additionally, the per diem and expenses cannot be greater than "is received in fees from the applicants taking the examination in any particular profession." Each individual board sets its own per diem within those parameters. Additionally, these boards may set per diems and pay the expenses up to this rate for any subcommittees they create.

- iii Compensation for the Task Force for Building Renewal members is "established by the Governor on a per diem basis. . . . "
- iv Paid only when traveling for business of the CHIP board, at the rate set by the pool administrator.
- <sup>v</sup> LB 1161 states, "Each member of the board shall receive as compensation the same per diem and travel expenses as other state employees for each day actually spent in traveling to and from and while attending sessions of the board and its committees or authorized meetings of the National Association of State Boards of Geology, or their subdivisions or committees, and all necessary expenses incident to the performance of his or her duties under the Geologists Regulation Act as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177."
- vi The Commission on Housing and Homelessness was formed by Executive Order 98-4 and combines two statutorily created advisory committees previously listed as the Housing Advisory Committee to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and the Nebraska Affordable Housing Committee, both under the authority of the Department of Economic Development.
- vii In 2002, the former Advisory Committee on Families with Special Needs Housing became the Commission on Housing and Homelessness Continuum of Care Committee, which serves as the advisory committee to the Nebraska Homeless Assistance Program. Its parent agency is the Department of Health and Human Services.
- viii "The board, when appointed and convened, shall continue in existence only until it has resolved a dispute referred to it pursuant [to statute]." Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 46-719(1a).
- ix There are actually 33 commissions of nine members each representing the various judicial districts and courts within the state.
- <sup>x</sup> The Legislature confirms the three gubernatorial appointees to the 16-member commission.

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- xi The three lay members of the board are the only members to receive a per diem, which is set at the same rate as that paid to the members of the State Highway Commission.
- xii All members of the Real Estate Commission receive a per diem except the chairman, who is an ex officio member and the Nebraska Secretary of State.
- xiii Four of the 11 members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature.
- committee members who are not employed by Nebraska medical schools receive a stipend per meeting. The amount is determined by the Division of Public Health of the Department of Health and Human Services based on standard consultation fees.