



Nebraska Dental Association

Bills	Sponsors	Title	Last Action	Position
LB 52	Lathrop	<p>Provide for immunity for injury or death resulting from COVID-19 exposure</p> <p>LB 52 would provide that no person shall be liable in a civil action for any injury or death resulting from an alleged exposure to COVID-19 is such exposure occurred after the date of the effective date of the bill.</p> <p>(See other COVID-19 liability bills: LB139)</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Support
LB 53	Lathrop	<p>Provide immunity for health care providers acting in conformance with the crisis standard of care during a COVID-19 state of emergency</p> <p>As amended into LB 139 the bill provides that the health care crisis protocols as contained in the protocols document created by UNMC may be activated only in extraordinary circumstances when the level of demand for medical services and resources exceeds the available resources required to deliver the generally accepted standard of care and crisis operations will be in effect for a sustained period.</p> <p>Provisions of LB 53 has been amended into LB 139.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Support
LB 86	Bostelman	<p>Require registration for the prescription drug monitoring system</p> <p>Requires prescription drug dispensers or prescribers to register for the PDMP, except for veterinarians, active duty military not practicing in Nebraska, retired credential holders not treating patients, researchers not treating patients, faculty members not treating patients or other credential holders not treating patients.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Support
LB 89	Morfeld	<p>Allow persons eighteen years of age to make health care decisions and persons under nineteen years of age in correctional facilities to consent to medical and mental health care</p> <p>Lowers the age of majority to 18 for all health care decisions. The bill also allows a person under nineteen years of age, and who is committed to the Department of Correctional Services for secure care, to consent to and make decisions regarding such person's medical care, mental health services, and related services during the period of the person's commitment to the department without the consent of such person's parent or guardian except as required in section 71-6902 (abortion).</p> <p>(COPIC Legislation)</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Monitor
LB 115	McCollister	<p>Impose sales tax on candy and soft drinks and provide for distribution of proceeds</p> <p>Imposes sales taxes on candy and soft drinks and directs the revenue from those taxes to the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Support
LB 133	Erdman	<p>Adopt the Nebraska EPIC Consumption Tax Act and eliminate certain other taxes</p> <p>Establishes a taxpayer bill of rights and enacts a 10.64 cent tax on the consumption of new goods and services. Property, income, inheritance and sales taxes would be repealed. The consumption tax would not be imposed on fuel, purchases of property or services by businesses, purchases of property or services for investment, property or services used for educational purposes. Sunsets the Imagine Nebraska program, and terminates TIF, TEEOSA, and Community College Aid.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Oppose

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LB 139	Briese	<p>Adopt the COVID-19 Liability Act and the Health Care Crisis Protocol Act</p> <p>As amended the bill provides that a person may not bring or maintain a civil action seeking recovery for any injuries or damages sustained from exposure or potential exposure to COVID-19 on or after the effective date of this act if the act or omission alleged to violate a duty of care was in substantial compliance with any federal public health guidance that was applicable to the person, place, or activity at issue at the time of the alleged exposure or potential exposure. Also the bill includes an amended version of LB 53 by providing that health care crisis protocols as contained in the protocols document created by UNMC may be activated only in extraordinary circumstances when the level of demand for medical services and resources exceeds the available resources required to deliver the generally accepted standard of care and crisis operations will be in effect for a sustained period</p> <p>Provisions of LB 53 have been amended into LB 139.</p>	Unicameral • May 27, 2021: Provisions/ portions of LB53 amended into LB139 by AM1293	Support
LB 171	Hansen, M.	<p>Change provisions of the Employment Security Law relating to weekly benefit amounts and maximum annual amounts</p> <p>LB 171 would increase an individual's unemployment benefits by 5% for each dependent up to a maximum of 15%.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Oppose
LB 172	Hansen, M.	<p>Change provisions relating to benefit payments under the Employment Security Law</p> <p>LB 172 would increase the allowable wages from one-fourth to one-half that can be earned before those wages are subtracted from an individual's weekly benefits.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Oppose
LB 207	McDonnell	<p>Change provisions relating to the date when compensation begins under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act</p> <p>LB 170 would provide that compensation in workers' compensation shall be allowed for the first three calendar days of disability, but that if the disability extends beyond the period of three calendar days, compensation shall begin on the fourth calendar day, except that if it lasts two weeks or longer, it shall be computed from the date disability began.</p> <p>(Same bill as LB170)</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Oppose
LB 263	Briese	<p>Require occupational boards to issue certain credentials based on credentials or work experience in another jurisdiction</p> <p>Except as provided by interstate licensing compacts and occupations regulated by the Supreme Court, the bill requires licensing boards to issues occupational licenses or government certifications upon application to applicants who have held for more than one year an occupational license or government certification in another state or in the United States Military in an occupation with a similar scope of practice, as determined by the occupational board. Provides a few exceptions if there is a disqualifying criminal record or complaint against the out of state licenses. Provides for recognition of work experience in another state that does not use an occupational license or government certification to regulate that occupation.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Oppose
LB 314	Pahls	<p>Change provisions related to insurance coverage of telehealth</p> <p>Requires telehealth payment parity.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Support

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LB 380	Speaker Hilgers	<p>Appropriate funds for the expenses of Nebraska State Government for the biennium ending June 30, 2023</p> <p>LB 380 is the mainline budget bill for the next biennium that increases state spending by 1.4% in FY21-22 and 4.7% in FY22-23. Additional highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Fully funds the state aid formula for aid to K-12 -Boosts University of Nebraska funding by 2% and increases its deferred maintenance fund -Provides funding to increase Medicaid, Behavioral Health, and DD service provider rates by 2% each of the next two years -\$10M to shore up the long-term sustainability of the Health Care Cash Fund -\$3M for student loan repayments for rural health professionals -Sets aside \$115M for a future state penitentiary pending further study -Increasing the state's cash reserve to \$763M -\$626M in funding for the income tax credit for school property taxes paid enacted in 2020 -\$607M to the Property Tax Credit Fund <p>Provisions of LB27, LB141, LB192, LB208, LB264, LB342, LB391, LB421, LB426, LB449, LB469, LB493, LB526, LB585, LB646, LB662 and LB671 have been amended into LB 380.</p>	Unicameral • May 27, 2021: Provisions/ portions of LB671 amended into LB380 by AM393	Monitor
LB 390	Murman	<p>Provide for credentials based on reciprocity and change requirements for credentials under the Uniform Credentialing Act</p> <p>Requires recognition of out of state credentials for occupations governed by the Uniform Credentialing Act. Applicants must have had a credential for at least one year. As amended it does not apply to physicians and podiatrists and the bill requires the applicant to establish residency in Nebraska within 180 days.</p>	executive • Apr 21, 2021: Approved by Governor on April 21, 2021	Monitor
LB 400	Arch	<p>Change requirements related to coverage of telehealth by insurers and medicaid</p> <p>Amends the Nebraska Telehealth Act to allow for a patient to have the option to give verbal consent during the initial telehealth consultation if a signed statement will be collected within ten days. The bill would also allow the patient to sign the consent statement via electronic signature. As amended the bill also expands the definition of telehealth to also include audio-only services for the delivery of individual behavioral health services for an established patient, when appropriate, or crisis management and intervention for an established patient as allowed by federal law.</p>	executive • Apr 21, 2021: Approved by Governor on April 21, 2021	Support
LB 416	Cavanaugh, M.	<p>Require implicit bias training under the Uniform Credentialing Act and provide for duties and funding relating to postpartum care and maternal health</p> <p>Requires all Uniform Credentialing Act credential holders to receive implicit bias training. Requires a Medicaid waiver for postpartum services, including lactation support services. Provides funding to Medicaid to provide reimbursement for doula services.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Monitor
LB 421	Stinner	<p>State intent regarding appropriations for qualified educational debt under the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act</p> <p>As amended into the budget the bill appropriates \$1.5M in each of the next two years for the RHOP program. As introduced it would have appropriated \$3M in each year.</p> <p>Provisions of LB421 have been amended into LB380.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Support
LB 422	Briese	<p>Change the sales tax rate and impose sales tax on additional services</p> <p>Lowers the state sales tax to 5% and provides for adjustment of the rate in the future. Applies the state sales tax to all services unless a specific exemption exists. Does exempt services that will become an ingredient or component part of a product or service that will ultimately be sold at retail.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Oppose

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LB 436	Hansen, B.	<p>Change provisions of the Athletic Training Practice Act</p> <p>This bill would enact the changes requested from the athletic trainers' 407 process application. Sets forth the scope of practice for athletic trainers, including: (a) Prevention and wellness promotion; (b) Examination, assessment, and impression; (c) Immediate and emergency care, including the administration of emergency drugs as prescribed by a licensed physician and dispensed by a pharmacy for emergency use, (d) Therapeutic intervention or rehabilitation of injuries and illnesses in the manner, means, and methods deemed necessary to affect care, rehabilitation, or function; (e) Therapeutic modalities, including, but not limited to, physical modalities, mechanical modalities, water, heat, light, sound, cold, and electricity. The scope of practice of athletic trainers does not include the use of joint manipulation, grade V mobilization/manipulation, thrust joint manipulation, high velocity/low amplitude thrust. Requires a referral when athletic training is provided in a hospital outpatient department or clinic or an outpatient based medical facility or clinic.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Monitor
LB 459	Cavanaugh, M.	<p>Change provisions relating to the cigarette tax and the Tobacco Products Tax Act and distribute tax proceeds as prescribed</p> <p>Increases the cigarette tax by \$1.50. Earmarks some of the additional revenue for any family and medical leave program established by Nebraska and for maternal health care projects that might be enacted by the legislature. Other revenue will go to the General Fund.</p>	Unicameral • Apr 13, 2021: Indefinitely postponed	Monitor
LB 583	Murman	<p>Require electronic prescriptions for controlled substances</p> <p>Requires prescriptions for controlled substances to be electronic by January 1, 2022 with a few listed exceptions. As amended the bill delays the requirement for dentists until 2024. Amended out of the introduced copy is language requiring the prescription information to also be shared with statewide health information exchange.</p>	executive • May 05, 2021: Approved by Governor on May 5, 2021	Monitor
LB 628	Morfeld	<p>Change provisions relating to faculty licenses under the Dentistry Practice Act</p> <p>Adjusts the criteria for a dental faculty license including separate criteria for graduates of accredited and non-accredited schools.</p>	executive • May 21, 2021: Approved by Governor on May 21, 2021	Monitor
LB 655	Wayne	<p>Change tax provisions relating to cigars, cheroots, and stogies</p> <p>Institutes a maximum tax of fifty cents per cigar, cheroot, or stogie.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Monitor
LB 676	Linehan	<p>Redefine a term relating to cigarette taxes</p> <p>Strikes the phrase "its appearance" in the definition of cigarette.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 05, 2022: Title printed. Carryover bill	Monitor

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LB 719	Morfeld	<p>Change provisions under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act relating to physicians, compensation, and benefits and require cost-of-living adjustments and payment for interpreter services</p> <p>Ensures that employers pay for interpreters related to medical, surgical, or hospital services. Additionally, the interpreter is selected by the employee from a registry of interpreters. If the employee is not selecting a physician who previously held their medical records, the employee may select a physician within a timeframe established by the compensation court. If need be, an employer must use an interpreter to communicate the right of selection to an employee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increases the total amount of compensation during total disability to 80% of wages received at the time of injury, previously was 66.66%. • Increases the amount of compensation for partial disability to 75% of the difference between the wages received at the time of the injury. • Additionally, increases the maximum amount of time for compensation to be paid for partial disability to 500 weeks. Previously it was 300 weeks. • Increases the amount of disability received resulting from permanent injury to 75% of wages lost. <p>Add a cost-of-living adjustment to benefits that are scheduled to last longer than twelve months. The cost-of-living adjustment shall not result in a weekly-income benefit that is more than the maximum weekly income benefit that will be specified in within the statute.</p> <p>Starting on January 1, 2023, the maximum weekly income benefit will be 200% of the state average weekly wage. Additionally, the Governor has the ability to conduct a hearing in which they can suspend the effectiveness of the change in the maximum weekly income benefit. The minimum weekly benefit shall be 50% of the state average weekly wage, except that if at the time of injury, the employee received wages of less than the 50%, then their minimum is the full amount of wages they were making weekly. Generally, increases all maximum and minimum payouts for various groups (i.e., widow with no children, widow with children, children with no parent alive, etc.) as outlined by statute.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A widow that does not have children with the deceased will receive 75% of the average weekly wage of the deceased. • A widow that does have children with the deceased will receive 69% of the average wage of the deceased or 60% if the child is not living with the widow. Additionally, a widow will receive 24% for each child. • If there are children but no widow, they will receive 75% of such wage for one child and an additional 24% for two or more children that can be divided among the children to share • If there is no spouse, child, or other dependent then \$25,000 to the personal representative of the estate of the deceased. • Increases the apportionment for a widow with one or more child, and no children living separately to 160% and 40% divided among the children. • Increases the apportionment for a widow that has one or more child that they do not live with to 146% to the widow and 54% divided among the children. <p>Bill up for consideration • Business and Labor</p> <p>Jan 31, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1003</p>	Unicameral • Jan 26, 2022: Notice of hearing for January 31, 2022	Monitor
LB 770	Day	<p>Change membership of the Board of Dentistry</p> <p>Adds one dental assistant to the Dental Board in lieu of one public member.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Health and Human Services</p> <p>Feb 02, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1510</p>	Unicameral • Jan 26, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 02, 2022	Support

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LB 772	Day	<p>Prohibit certain providers of health care and medical services from taking certain debt collection actions against victims of sexual assault, domestic assault, and child abuse</p> <p>A health care provider, emergency medical services provider, laboratory, or pharmacy providing medical services, transportation, medications, or other services related to the examination or treatment of injuries arising out of sexual assault, domestic assault, or child abuse shall not refer a bill for services to a collection agency, distribute information which would impact credit scores, or take action adverse to the victim or victim's guardian or family on account of providing such services. This section shall not prevent an entity from seeking payment for such services from the victim or any other source.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Judiciary</p> <p>Feb 25, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1113</p>	Unicameral • Jan 25, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 25, 2022	Monitor
LB 885	Cavanaugh, M.	<p>Require implicit bias training for certain applicants and credential holders under the Uniform Credentialing Act</p> <p>Requires uniform credentialing act credential holders to receive implicit bias training before receiving their initial license or before renewal. The training must be approved by DHHS.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Health and Human Services</p> <p>Feb 25, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1510</p>	Unicameral • Jan 31, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 25, 2022	Monitor
LB 895	Walz	<p>Provide restrictions on prior authorizations by managed care organizations under the Medical Assistance Act</p> <p>Appears to provide several requirements for all MCOs: (1) pay clean claims within 15 days; (2) make standard authorization decisions within 48 hours; (3) implement an expedited review process when medical necessity warrants an immediate response. Also provides that if a MCO implements an automated prior authorization system it shall (1) use evidence-based clinical guidelines consistent with professional association standards to program that system; and (2) ensure that a health care professional of the same discipline or specialty makes the decision to deny or modify requests for authorization based on medical necessity.</p> <p>Prohibits an MCO from requiring prior authorization for the initial twelve treatment sessions of new episodes of care for chiropractic, physical therapy, occupational therapy, or speech-language pathology services.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Health and Human Services</p> <p>Feb 10, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1510</p>	Unicameral • Jan 31, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 10, 2022	Monitor
LB 906	Hansen, B.	<p>Require employers to provide for vaccine exemptions and provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services</p> <p>Requires employers with 20 or more employees to allow employees an exemption from being vaccinated based on that employee's strong moral, ethical, philosophical belief, or conviction. Allows employer to subject such employee to periodic testing or require use of personal protective equipment.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 28, 2022: Briese name added	Monitor

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LB 929	Wishart	<p>Require submission of a medicaid state plan amendment or waiver to extend postpartum coverage</p> <p>On or before October 1, 2022, the department shall seek federal approval for federal matching funds from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services through a state plan amendment or waiver to extend postpartum coverage for beneficiaries from sixty days to twelve months.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 19, 2022: Notice of hearing for January 26, 2022	Support w/ Letter
LB 963	Murman	<p>Adopt the Medical Ethics and Diversity Act</p> <p>A medical practitioner, health care institution, or health care payer has the right not to participate in or pay for any health care service which violates such person's or entity's conscience. The exercise of the right of conscience is limited to conscience-based objections to a particular health care service. This section shall not be construed to waive or modify any duty a medical practitioner, health care institution, or health care payer may have to provide other medical services that do not violate such person's or entity's conscience. Prohibits discrimination against a practitioner for exercising their conscious beliefs in declining to participate in a service. Requires affirmative written consent from each care team member before they may be scheduled to assist in an abortion. Provides for civil actions.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Health and Human Services</p> <p>Mar 02, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1510</p>	Unicameral • Jan 31, 2022: Notice of hearing for March 02, 2022	Monitor
LB 1007	Murman	<p>Change provisions relating to the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act</p> <p>As permitted by federal law, the bill would remove local matching requirements for localities using the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentives Act to attract a physician, dentist, nurse practitioner, or PA to practice in that community.</p> <p>(NMA Legislation)</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Health and Human Services</p> <p>Feb 11, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1510</p>	Unicameral • Jan 31, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 11, 2022	Support

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LB 1062	Albrecht	<p>Change provisions relating to compensation for total disability under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act</p> <p>For injuries occurring after the effective date of this act, compensation for total disability shall cease at age 72, except that if an employee is injured after age 67, compensation for total disability shall cease after 5 years of such compensation having been paid. This should not be applied to a list of brain related injuries, or blindness as listed out in subdivision (1)(c).</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Business and Labor</p> <p>Jan 31, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1003</p>	Unicameral • Jan 26, 2022: Notice of hearing for January 31, 2022	Monitor
LB 1063	Morfeld	<p>Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Labor to increase the number of apprentices and provide premium pay</p> <p>Appropriates \$5M of ARPA funds to the Department of Labor for the purpose of increasing the number of apprentices and increasing the premium pay to existing apprentices.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Appropriations</p> <p>Feb 24, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1003</p>	Unicameral • Jan 31, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 24, 2022	Monitor

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LB 1131	Morfeld	<p>State intent to appropriate federal funds for bonus payments for teachers, child care workers, and health care workers</p> <p>Would provide funding for \$1000 in bonus payments to teachers, child care workers, and health care workers from ARPA funds.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Appropriations</p> <p>Mar 01, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1524</p>	Unicameral • Jan 31, 2022: Notice of hearing for March 01, 2022	Monitor
LB 1264	McDonnell	<p>Eliminate inheritance taxes; to impose sales and use taxes on certain services; to eliminate and change certain sales and use tax exemptions; to change provisions relating to income tax brackets and rates, standard deductions, and itemized deductions; State intent to appropriate federal funds for bonus payments for teachers, child care workers, and health care workers. Imposes a 20% sales tax on services provided by physicians, dentists, optometrists, and chiropractors.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Revenue</p>	Unicameral • Jan 24, 2022.	Oppose
LB 1168	Linehan	<p>Provide an income tax deduction for the costs of medical care</p> <p>Allows a taxpayer to deduct from federal adjusted gross income medical expenses not reimbursed by insurance and not otherwise deducted.</p>	Unicameral • Jan 21, 2022: Referred to Revenue Committee	Monitor
LB 1175	Wayne	<p>Prohibit a health insurer from removing a provider as an in-network provider under certain circumstances</p> <p>A health insurer in this state shall not remove a provider as an in-network provider for only financial reasons if such provider wishes to remain as an in-network provider and agrees to remain in contract with such health insurer.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Banking, Commerce and Insurance</p> <p>Feb 15, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1507</p>	Unicameral • Jan 26, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 15, 2022	Monitor

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LB 1269	Murman	<p>Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for repayment of qualified educational debts owed by certain health professionals</p> <p>Appropriates \$10M of ARPA funds to be used for the repayment of qualified educational debts owed by eligible pharmacists, dentists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, mental health practitioners, psychologists pursuant to the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Appropriations</p> <p>Feb 22, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1524</p>	Unicameral • Jan 31, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 22, 2022	Support w/ Letter
LR 165	Wishart	<p>Interim study to explore ways of improving dental benefits under the medical assistance program</p> <p>Priority resolution 13 of 16 for the Health and Human Services Committee.</p>	Unicameral • May 20, 2021: Referred to Health and Human Services Committee	Monitor
LR 178	Wishart	<p>Interim study to solicit input from Nebraskans regarding funds from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021</p> <p>Priority resolution 2 of 7 of the Appropriations Committee.</p>	Unicameral • Aug 17, 2021: Notice of hearing for October 07, 2021 (cancel)	Monitor
LR 212	McDonnell	<p>Interim study to examine the health care workforce shortage in Nebraska</p> <p>Priority resolution 7 of 7 of the Appropriations Committee.</p>	Unicameral • Jul 29, 2021: Notice of hearing for October 06, 2021	Monitor
LR 264CA	Erdman	<p>Constitutional amendment to prohibit the imposition of taxes other than retail consumption taxes and excise taxes</p> <p>On and after January 1st, 2024, no taxes other than retail consumption taxes and excise taxes shall be imposed upon the people of Nebraska.</p> <p>Bill up for consideration • Revenue</p> <p>Feb 03, 2022 01:30pm</p> <p>Room 1524</p>	Unicameral • Jan 26, 2022: Notice of hearing for February 03, 2022	Oppose