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LEGISLATIVE BILL 684

Introduced by Briese, 41.

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to state government; to provide for
- 2 improvement of government services of state agencies as prescribed;
- 3 and to declare an emergency.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. (1) The Department of Administrative Services shall, in
2 compliance with all statutes on contracts, contract with an entity to
3 assist the state with significantly improving government services of
4 state agencies listed in section 2 of this act for a period of two years
5 starting on July 1, 2023, and ending on June 30, 2025. The contract shall
6 include the option to renew for two additional one-year periods upon
7 mutual agreement of the parties. The state shall reserve the right to
8 extend the period of this contract beyond the termination date if
9 mutually agreeable to the parties. The entity shall recommend and support
10 strategies that reduce costs while improving quality, with a target of
11 twenty-five percent improvement overall across all programs during the
12 contract period. Specifically, the entity shall assist with:

13 (a) Developing statewide measures and associated performance targets
14 for improving program outcomes and decreasing overall costs;

15 (b) Developing criteria, rationale, and plans to sequentially review
16 and improve programs;

17 (c) Identifying, recommending, and implementing program changes that
18 improve effectiveness and efficiency to accomplish performance targets;

19 (d) Ensuring fidelity and integrity in the application of
20 improvement principles and techniques;

21 (e) Identifying where and how to repurpose resources for highest
22 impact; and

23 (f) Supporting training and staff development that builds
24 improvement capacity and systems management expertise including
25 performance measurement.

26 (2) The department shall electronically provide the results of the
27 improvement to the Legislative Council no later than July 1, 2025.

28 Sec. 2. The state agencies which are subject to review pursuant to
29 section 1 of this act are:

30 (1) Department of Administrative Services;

31 (2) Department of Agriculture;

- 1 (3) Department of Banking and Finance;
- 2 (4) Department of Correctional Services;
- 3 (5) Department of Economic Development;
- 4 (6) Department of Environment and Energy;
- 5 (7) Department of Health and Human Services;
- 6 (8) Department of Insurance;
- 7 (9) Department of Justice;
- 8 (10) Department of Labor;
- 9 (11) Department of Motor Vehicles;
- 10 (12) Department of Natural Resources;
- 11 (13) Department of Revenue;
- 12 (14) Department of Transportation;
- 13 (15) Department of Veterans' Affairs;
- 14 (16) Military Department;
- 15 (17) State Department of Education;
- 16 (18) Nebraska State Patrol;
- 17 (19) State Fire Marshal;
- 18 (20) Nebraska Emergency Management Agency;
- 19 (21) Nebraska County Court Judges Association;
- 20 (22) Nebraska Crop Improvement Association;
- 21 (23) Nebraska Dairymen's Association;
- 22 (24) Nebraska District Court Judges Association;
- 23 (25) Nebraska Home Economics Association of Organized Agriculture;
- 24 (26) Nebraska Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association;
- 25 (27) Nebraska Livestock Feeders and Breeders Association;
- 26 (28) Nebraska Poultry Improvement Association;
- 27 (29) Nebraska Property and Liability Insurance Guaranty Association;
- 28 (30) Western Nebraska Organized Agriculture Association;
- 29 (31) Nebraska Educational, Health, Cultural, and Social Services
- 30 Finance Authority;
- 31 (32) Nebraska Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority;

- 1 (33) Nebraska Investment Finance Authority;
- 2 (34) Abstracters Board of Examiners;
- 3 (35) Appraiser Qualifications Board;
- 4 (36) Beginning Farmer Board;
- 5 (37) Board of Barber Examiners;
- 6 (38) Board of Educational Lands and Funds;
- 7 (39) Board of Engineers and Architects;
- 8 (40) Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street
- 9 Superintendents;
- 10 (41) Board of Geologists;
- 11 (42) Board of Pardons;
- 12 (43) Board of Parole;
- 13 (44) Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards;
- 14 (45) Boiler Safety Code Advisory Board;
- 15 (46) Collection Agency Licensing Board;
- 16 (47) Community College Board of Governors;
- 17 (48) Corn Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board;
- 18 (49) County Drug Law Enforcement and Education Fund Board;
- 19 (50) Early Childhood Education Endowment Board of Trustees;
- 20 (51) Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board;
- 21 (52) Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board;
- 22 (53) Health Information Technology Board;
- 23 (54) Interpreter Review Board;
- 24 (55) Interrelated Water Review Board;
- 25 (56) Invest Nebraska Board;
- 26 (57) Jail Standards Board;
- 27 (58) Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan
- 28 Repayment Assistance Board;
- 29 (59) Natural Gas Fuel Board;
- 30 (60) Nebraska Aquaculture Board;
- 31 (61) Nebraska Center for Nursing Board;

- 1 (62) Nebraska Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board;
- 2 (63) Nebraska Craft Brewery Board;
- 3 (64) Nebraska Dairy Industry Development Board;
- 4 (65) Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board;
- 5 (66) Nebraska Environmental Trust Board;
- 6 (67) Nebraska Ethanol Board;
- 7 (68) Nebraska Fire Safety Appeals Board;
- 8 (69) Nebraska Grape and Winery Board;
- 9 (70) Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board;
- 10 (71) Nebraska Power Review Board;
- 11 (72) Nebraska State Board of Public Accountancy;
- 12 (73) Nebraska State Fair Board;
- 13 (74) Nebraska Wheat Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board;
- 14 (75) Nebraska Worker Training Board;
- 15 (76) Nebraska Workforce Development Board;
- 16 (77) Public Employees Retirement Board;
- 17 (78) Real Property Appraiser Board;
- 18 (79) State Anatomical Board;
- 19 (80) State Board of Education;
- 20 (81) State Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors;
- 21 (82) State Board of Health;
- 22 (83) State Board of Landscape Architects;
- 23 (84) State Claims Board;
- 24 (85) State Electrical Board;
- 25 (86) State Personnel Board;
- 26 (87) State Records Board;
- 27 (88) State Trauma Advisory Board;
- 28 (89) Suggestion Award Board;
- 29 (90) Veterans' Homes Board;
- 30 (91) Child Support Advisory Commission;
- 31 (92) Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired;

- 1 (93) Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing;
- 2 (94) Commission of Industrial Relations;
- 3 (95) Commission on African American Affairs;
- 4 (96) Commission on Indian Affairs;
- 5 (97) Commission on Judicial Qualifications;
- 6 (98) Commission on Latino-Americans;
- 7 (99) Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs;
- 8 (100) Commission on Public Advocacy;
- 9 (101) Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education;
- 10 (102) Dry Bean Commission;
- 11 (103) Dry Pea and Lentil Commission;
- 12 (104) Equal Opportunity Commission;
- 13 (105) Game and Parks Commission;
- 14 (106) Governor's Residence Advisory Commission;
- 15 (107) Judicial Resources Commission;
- 16 (108) Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission;
- 17 (109) Nebraska Aeronautics Commission;
- 18 (110) Nebraska Capitol Commission;
- 19 (111) Nebraska Children's Commission;
- 20 (112) Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice;
- 21 (113) Nebraska Commission on Problem Gambling;
- 22 (114) Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission;
- 23 (115) Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission;
- 24 (116) Nebraska Hemp Commission;
- 25 (117) Nebraska Information Technology Commission;
- 26 (118) Nebraska Library Commission;
- 27 (119) Nebraska Liquor Control Commission;
- 28 (120) Nebraska Natural Resources Commission;
- 29 (121) Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission;
- 30 (122) Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission;
- 31 (123) Nebraska State Capitol Environs Commission;

- 1 (124) Nebraska Tourism Commission;
- 2 (125) Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission;
- 3 (126) Professional Practices Commission;
- 4 (127) Public Service Commission;
- 5 (128) State Emergency Response Commission;
- 6 (129) State Highway Commission;
- 7 (130) State Racing Commission;
- 8 (131) State Real Estate Commission;
- 9 (132) Tax Equalization and Review Commission;
- 10 (133) Veterans' Advisory Commission;
- 11 (134) Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities;
- 12 (135) Brain Injury Oversight Committee;
- 13 (136) Bridge to Independence Advisory Committee;
- 14 (137) Climate Assessment Response Committee;
- 15 (138) Committee on Building Maintenance;
- 16 (139) Conveyance Advisory Committee;
- 17 (140) Crime Victim's Reparations Committee;
- 18 (141) Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care Advisory Committee on
- 19 Aging;
- 20 (142) First Regiment Nebraska Volunteer Infantry at Fort Donelson
- 21 Committee;
- 22 (143) Foster Care Advisory Committee;
- 23 (144) Governor's Keep Nebraska Beautiful Committee;
- 24 (145) Interagency Management Committee;
- 25 (146) Judicial Branch Education Advisory Committee;
- 26 (147) Nebraska Brand Committee;
- 27 (148) Nebraska Community College Student Performance and
- 28 Occupational Education Grant Committee;
- 29 (149) Nebraska Potato Development Committee;
- 30 (150) Nebraska Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization, and
- 31 Marketing Committee;

- 1 (151) Nebraska Strengthening Families Act Committee;
- 2 (152) 911 Service System Advisory Committee;
- 3 (153) Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Advisory Committee;
- 4 (154) Racial Profiling Advisory Committee;
- 5 (155) Rent-Restricted Housing Projects Valuation Committee;
- 6 (156) State Advisory Committee on Mental Health Services;
- 7 (157) State Advisory Committee on Substance Abuse Services;
- 8 (158) State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts;
- 9 (159) State Comprehensive Capital Facilities Planning Committee;
- 10 (160) Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee;
- 11 (161) Tax Rate Review Committee;
- 12 (162) Technical advisory committee on statewide assessment plans and
- 13 instruments;
- 14 (163) Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee;
- 15 (164) Advisory Council on Dispute Resolution;
- 16 (165) Advisory Council on Public Guardianship;
- 17 (166) Advisory Council on Public Water Supply;
- 18 (167) Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Advisory Council;
- 19 (168) Critical Incident Stress Management Council;
- 20 (169) Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council;
- 21 (170) Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council;
- 22 (171) Environmental Quality Council;
- 23 (172) Geographic Information Systems Council;
- 24 (173) Legislative Council;
- 25 (174) Missouri Basin Natural Resources Council;
- 26 (175) Nebraska Arts Council;
- 27 (176) Nebraska Community Forestry Council;
- 28 (177) Nebraska County Attorney Standards Advisory Council;
- 29 (178) Nebraska Humanities Council;
- 30 (179) Nebraska Invasive Species Council;
- 31 (180) Nebraska Investment Council;

- 1 (181) Nebraska Police Standards Advisory Council;
- 2 (182) Nebraska Potato Council;
- 3 (183) Nebraska Safety Center Advisory Council;
- 4 (184) Niobrara Council;
- 5 (185) Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council;
- 6 (186) Primary Care Investment Council;
- 7 (187) Propane Education and Research Council;
- 8 (188) School Health Center Advisory Council;
- 9 (189) State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision;
- 10 (190) State Council on Educational Opportunity for Military
- 11 Children;
- 12 (191) Women's Health Initiative Advisory Council;
- 13 (192) Nebraska State Historical Society;
- 14 (193) State Horticultural Society; and
- 15 (194) University of Nebraska.

16 Sec. 3. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
17 passed and approved according to law.