

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 200

Introduced by Clements, 2; DeBoer, 10.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine the progress and ability to expend Federal Funds allocated to the State of Nebraska from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, 42 U.S.C. 802, as amended, as appropriated to Nebraska state agencies during the One Hundred Seventh Legislature of Nebraska, Second Session. The United States Government distributed the funds to each state to help with fiscal recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic beginning in 2021. Many stipulations were placed upon these funds regulating how the funds could be used by the states. These stipulations include a requirement that the funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and that the funds should be expended by December 31, 2026. This study shall include, but need not be limited to:

(1) Examining the progress of each appropriation of such Federal Funds to state agencies and whether such funds have the ability to be expended by December 31, 2026;

(2) Calculating the total of the appropriated Federal Funds that will not meet the December 31, 2026, deadline; and

(3) Determining recommendations for alternative uses for any unexpended funds.

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

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

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report

of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.