

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 270**

Introduced by Schilz, 47; Davis, 43.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to conduct a comprehensive study and review of the fee structure of the Nebraska Brand Committee which includes, but is not limited to, per head inspection fees, surcharge fees, recording fees, grazing permit fees, registered feedlot fees, registered dairy fees, and other fees. The study shall examine the history and appropriateness of the current fee structure including:

- (1) The rationale behind the current fee structure;
- (2) The functions and services provided for the fees assessed to different segments of the beef industry;
- (3) The last time the fee structure was updated; and
- (4) A comparison of Nebraska's brand inspection fee structure with other states.

The study shall also examine possible statutory changes of the fee structure and the rationale for any proposed changes as well as technological upgrades and other innovations to assist the Nebraska Brand Committee in modernizing services. The committee may solicit comments, suggestions, and recommendations from appropriate stakeholders.

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

1. That the Agriculture 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.