

**STAFF MEETING MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
ROOM 113 - BILL LUXFORD STUDIO
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015
8:30 A.M.**

Commissioners Present: Roma Amundson, Chair
Larry Hudkins, Vice Chair
Bill Avery
Todd Wiltgen

Commissioners Absent: Deb Schorr

Others Present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Dennis Meyer, Budget and Fiscal Officer
Dan Nolte, County Clerk
Cori Beattie, Deputy County Clerk
Ann Taylor, County Clerk's Office

Advance public notice of the Board of Commissioners Staff Meeting was posted on the County-City Building bulletin board and the Lancaster County, Nebraska, web site and provided to the media on March 4, 2015.

The Chair noted the location of the Open Meetings Act and opened the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM

1 APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 26, 2015 STAFF MEETING MINUTES AND FEBRUARY 5, 2015 MID-YEAR BUDGET RETREAT MINUTES

MOTION: Avery moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the minutes of the February 26, 2015 Staff Meeting and February 5, 2015 Mid-Year Budget Retreat. Avery, Hudkins, Wiltgen and Hudkins voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

2 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- A. Letter to Region V Governing Board Regarding Funding for the Lancaster County Mental Health Crisis Center (Exhibit A)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded approval of the addition to the agenda. Hudkins, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

3 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - Gordon Kissel, Joe Kohout, and Jonathan Bradford, Kissel/E&S Associates

Joe Kohout and Jonathan Bradford, Kissel/E&S Associates, presented a legislative update and legislative bills of interest report, noting the following (Exhibits B and C):

- Legislative Bill (LB) LB 610 (Change motor fuel excise taxes) is no longer intended to work in tandem with LB 609 (Adopt the Nebraska Bridge Repair Act).

Kohout said LB 609 will become a "conversation starter" over the interim period and LB 610, which proposes a four-year implementation of a \$0.06 gas tax increase, will get funding into the system. Avery asked the fiscal note on the bill. Kohout said it is estimated to raise roughly \$18,000,000 a year, or \$72,000,000 by the fourth year. Avery asked how many bridges the County could build with that revenue. Pam Dingman, County Engineer, appeared and estimated the number at 12 to 18, noting costs vary. She said the County has four or five bridges that desperately need replaced, totaling approximately \$6,000,000. A couple are critical (estimated total cost of \$2,400,000). Hudkins asked whether the funding will be equitable. Dingman said she and Commissioner Amundson met with Senator Smith, introducer of the two bills, and he understands there was an equity issue with the previous gas tax increase and has proposed an equal split between the State, Counties and Cities.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded to authorize Pam Dingman, County Engineer, and Roma Amundson, County Board Chair, to testify on behalf of Lancaster County in support of Legislative Bill (LB) 610.

In response to a question from Wiltgen, Kohout said their testimony could be drafted to say the County supports a fair and equitable allocation.

ROLL CALL: Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

Avery noted Dingman had previously expressed concerns about the design-build concept for bridges in LB 609. Dingman said she has concerns regarding the general structure of the bill. The bill would create a Nebraska Bridge Repair Commission which will be comprised of one county commissioner from each of the eight State Highway Commission districts; three at-large appointees, two of whom shall have experience with construction or maintenance; and the Executive Director of the Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) Executive Director, who will serve in an ex-officio capacity. She said the bill also creates the need to hire a Bridge Program Manager which could increase engineering fees. Dingman said she has concerns projects will be packaged and go to large out-of-state engineering firms and contractors, rather than the small local contractors and engineering firms who currently perform work for the County. She also questioned the need to create two additional layers of bureaucracy, noting the County already reports to the State with the One and Six Year Road and Bridge Improvement Plan and annual budget reporting. Dingman said there is already a system in place that will work, it just needs funding.

Kohout said he will forward copies of any amendments that come in on LB 609 and LB 610 to Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer.

- The Legislature is projected to have \$40,000,000 to \$50,000,000 left for spending on items not in the budget.

Kohout noted there are a variety of options available if there are funds available to begin to "buy down" unfunded mandates.

- A lobby day on LB 472 (Adopt the Medicaid Redesign Act) has been moved to March 19th.
- LB 542 (Provide a sales tax exemption for purchases by county agricultural societies) is scheduled for hearing before the Revenue Committee on March 6th.

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded to support Legislative Bill (LB) 542.

FRIENDLY AMENDMENT: Hudkins offered a friendly amendment to authorize the Chair to offer testimony at the hearing.

The maker of the motion accepted the friendly amendment.

ROLL CALL: Avery, Hudkins, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

Sara Hoyle, Human Services Director, appeared and said Senator Krist introduced an amendment at the hearing last week on LB 13 (Change community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program provisions) that divided the 10% which was being re-appropriated from the Community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program between the Nebraska Crime Commission to establish a data base within an existing data base and the University of Nebraska at Omaha, Juvenile Justice Institute to assess the effectiveness of the program. She said concerns were raised by several senators about the amount that was being re-appropriated.

- An amendment was offered at the hearing on LB 15 (Provide additional powers and duties for guardians ad litem). Joe Nigro, Public Defender, testified in support because it protects the County's current process.
- The fiscal note on LB 391 was published and was disconcerting because the Nebraska Department of Revenue is starting to show a reduction in the allocations to the Highway Trust Fund and Highway Allocation Fund because of the way the sales tax "moves." Lancaster County submitted a letter of support, at the request of Sarpy County, but the letter was brief in nature. NACO testified in a neutral capacity because of the fiscal impact.

Wiltgen inquired about funding for behavior health services, noting the Governor's budget showed a reduction of \$5,000,000. Kohout said the Appropriations Committee will hold a hearing on the behavioral health budget on March 17th and said it is his understanding the behavioral health community will aggressively seek restoration of that funding. He said he will begin drafting testimony to encourage additional funding of sex offender treatment.

- 4 A) BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE (BJA) GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750,000 FOR EXPANDED SENTENCE CONVERSION PROGRAM; B) MACARTHUR FOUNDATION SAFETY AND JUSTICE CHALLENGE GRANT; AND C) COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS UPDATE - Kim Etherton, Community Corrections Director**

MacArthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge Grant

Kim Etherton, Community Corrections Director, requested authorization to apply for a MacArthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge Grant (Exhibit D). She said jurisdictions can apply for assistance in viewing their criminal justice system from the beginning and looking at the use of their jail from the time of arrest to sentencing. Etherton compared it to the jail study the County completed fifteen years ago and suggested it is time to re-look at how making adjustments to the beginning of the system will have an impact on the prison reform efforts that are underway.

Joe Kelly, County Attorney, appeared and said the biggest piece involves pre-trial holds, i.e., who is released on bond and who isn't. Other components include racial impact and recidivism. He said he plans to take a look at his office and change, with the expertise provided through the grant, the way it does bonding.

Etherton said twenty selected sites will receive a grant of \$150,000 in Round One with experts brought in to assist with assessing the system as a whole. A plan of action is then developed. Ten jurisdictions will be selected for Round Two with funding up to \$2,000,000 to support implementation of their plans for change.

Kelly said he believes there are two things that will make the County competitive in applying for the grant: 1) The County's jail is 82% full; and 2) The County Attorney's Office has been working with the Vera Institute of Justice in New York, one of the criminal justice organizations that will be providing technical assistance to the Safety and Justice Challenge sites, on a racial disparity study. He said one of the criteria for the grant is whether or not the jurisdiction has been working with nationally recognized organizations who are looking at alternatives in the criminal justice system.

Wiltgen asked whether there is a match component. Etherton said there is not.

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Avery seconded to authorize Kim Etherton, Community Corrections Director, to prepare an application for a MacArthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge Grant. Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Grant

Etherton requested authorization to apply for a Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Smart Supervision Program Grant (\$750,000 over a three-year period) (Exhibit E). She said the grant is intended to assist in finding innovative ways to provide community supervision to reduce and prevent recidivism. Etherton said she had been trying to determine why the District Court House Arrest Program is not being utilized and met with District Court Judges to discuss the grant. She said the District Court Judges support efforts to obtain additional funding to expand and enhance the House Arrest Program for the District Court cases. The focus will be on high risk/high needs individuals. Etherton said the intent will be to provide them with the evidence-based, substance abuse treatment that is provided to Drug Court for four weeks while they are in jail, then move them to supervised, sober-living housing. Participants will also complete 12 weeks of Matrix (intensive outpatient treatment) while they work with a case manager to secure stable housing and employment and address mental health needs.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Avery seconded to authorize Community Corrections to apply for the grant with signature by the Chair.

Etherton said there is no County match involved.

ROLL CALL: Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Wiltgen abstained from voting. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 3-0, with one abstention.

Community Corrections Update

Etherton presented a 2014 year end summary, noting the following (Exhibit F):

- Diversion Services fully transitioned to Community Corrections in January
- Community Corrections hired an account clerk and began accepting cash payments for registration fees and programming
- On-line Safety Training Option Program (STOP) registration began in April
- Community Corrections received a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)/Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) grant for enhancing Adult Drug Court Programming in September
- Community Corrections implemented the STOP class on-line learning option in October, 2014

Wiltgen exited the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

5 HOSPITAL AUTHORITY BOND ISSUANCE FOR TABITHA IN CRETE, NEBRASKA - Scott Keene, Vice President and Managing Director for Ameritas Investment Corp; Mike Rogers, Gilmore & Bell P.C.; Darcie Brink, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Tabitha Health Care Services

Mike Rogers, Gilmore & Bell P.C., presented a draft resolution authorizing the issuance of healthcare revenue bonds for Tabitha to acquire, construct, furnish, and equip two, 17-bed skilled nursing facilities in Crete, Nebraska, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 (Exhibit G).

Wiltgen returned to the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

Scott Keene, Vice President and Managing Director for Ameritas Investment Corp, said the bonds will be issued on parity with the two other series of bonds issued by Lancaster County on behalf of Tabitha. He said after this financing, Tabitha will have five bond issues outstanding that will all be on parity.

In response to a question from Wiltgen, Darcie Brink, Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Tabitha Health Care Services, said the facilities will utilize the Green House model which provides long-term care in a home setting.

The Board scheduled action on the resolution on March 17, 2015 County Board of Commissioners Meeting agenda. An overview of the project will be provided at that time. It was noted members of the public will be allowed to speak on the item at that meeting, although it will not be a public hearing.

6 A) POTENTIAL SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY AT NW 48TH STREET AND HIGHWAY 34; AND B) POTENTIAL ROAD VACATION OF NW 42ND STREET NEAR OLD WOODLAWN LANE - Pam Dingman, County Engineer; Ken Schroeder, County Surveyor

A) Potential Surplus County Property at NW 48th Street and Highway 34

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, said John Zakovec, who owns property in the area of NW 48th Street and Highway 34, contacted County Engineering earlier this year and expressed interest in buying the excess right-of-way that was deeded to Lancaster County when Highway 34 was built (see Exhibit H). Zakovec appeared and circulated photographs of the area (Exhibit I).

Dingman said she and Ken Schroeder, County Surveyor, met with the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) and asked NDOR to define what portion of the ROW should be the State's. Dingman said NDOR did not really see it as a problem because it is already public right-of-way being used for public purposes. NDOR also indicated in the meeting that it had sold a piece of the County's right-of-way to Zakovec. She said County Engineering had not been maintaining the right-of-way because it thought it belonged to the State.

Hudkins suggested the County lease the land so that it is put to productive use or declare it surplus and sell it so that it is "put back on the tax rolls." He asked Zakovec if he would be willing to either lease or purchase the property. Zakovec indicated he would. Dingman said the problem is the location of the State's infrastructure.

Schroeder said the easiest solution may be to deed the land to the State and let it determine what it needs to retain. He noted the property is within the City of Lincoln's three-mile zoning jurisdiction so the City may have to vacate it as well.

Hudkins said the land has value and he does not support deeding it to the State. Dingman said she does not believe the State will be willing to pay for it.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded to authorize County Engineering to continue to pursue discussions with the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) and John Zakovec regarding determining what portion of County Property at NW 48th Street and Highway 34 should move to State ownership and what portion could be declared surplus and either sold or leased. Hudkins, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

B) Potential Road Vacation of NW 42nd Street Near Old Woodlawn Lane

Dingman said Schroeder has also identified a piece of NW 42nd Street, near Old Woodlawn Lane, that is public right-of-way (Exhibit J). She said half of the road has been vacated and the County is responsible for the other half of the right-of-way. She proposed the County vacate its portion so County Engineering will not be responsible for maintenance. Dingman explained there are private driveways off the road to industrial property and felt maintenance would best be handled by the property owners.

Hudkins said this had been the unincorporated town of Woodlawn and said it has been a County road. Schroeder said the Woodlawn plat was vacated in 1959 but a 33 foot strip known as 1st Street was retained. The road that is platted isn't in the County's right-of-way. He said County Engineering occasionally does minimal maintenance but the road doesn't conform to County standards and lacks signage. Schroeder said one of the biggest deficiencies is that there is a creek at the end of the road with no barricades. Zakovec said he frequently travels that road and said someone has been pushing asphalt off into the creek from the end of the road.

Hudkins said the road allows access to those businesses. Wiltgen said, following that logic, the County should reconstruct the road and take the right-of-way. Hudkins said that is probably what needs to happen. He suggested County Engineering contact the property owners and see what they are willing to do.

Schroeder said they haven't talked to any of the owners yet. He explained one of the renters of the property owned by the Airport Authority (see Exhibit J) contacted County Engineering about changing a driveway location. This issue was discovered during researching that matter.

Dingman noted this is also within the City of Lincoln's three-mile zoning jurisdiction.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded to ask the County Engineer to meet with the affected property owners on NW 42nd Street to discuss a possible solution and to bring a recommendation back to the Board.

Dingman stressed that the County should not be maintaining private property.

ROLL CALL: Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

7 PENDING LITIGATION - Kristy Bauer, Deputy County Attorney

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded to enter Executive Session at 10:15 a.m. for the purpose of protecting the public interest with regards to pending litigation.

The Chair restated the motion for the record.

ROLL CALL: Avery, Hudkins, Wiltgen and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded to exit Executive Session at 10:28 a.m. Hudkins, Wiltgen, Avery and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- A. Letter to Region V Governing Board Regarding Funding for the Lancaster County Mental Health Crisis Center (Exhibit A)

The Board reviewed a letter drafted by Scott Etherton, Crisis Center Director. Minor revisions were suggested, including

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Wiltgen seconded to: 1) Ask Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer, to make revisions to the letter to request restoration of \$120,883 in funding to the Lancaster County Mental Health Crisis Center, utilizing unspent funds, and outlining the County's position and the impact to the other counties in Region V should the funding not be restored; 2) Authorize the letter to be sent with signature by the Chair; and 3) Attach a copy of the letter sent to the Region V Governing Board, dated September 8, 2014.

Eagan agreed to provide each of the Commissioners a copy of the letter before it is sent.

ROLL CALL: Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.

8 ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

9 CONSENT ITEMS

There were no consent items.

10 ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORT

A. Meetings With Lancaster County Agricultural Society

There was consensus to move the meetings from a monthly to a bi-monthly basis.

B. County Board of Zoning Appeals Appointment (Herschel Staats)

The Board scheduled the item on the March 10, 2015 County Board of Commissioners Meeting agenda.

C. Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO) Southeast District Meeting (Friday, April 17, 2015 at the Peter Kiewit Lodge, Mahoney State Park, Ashland, Nebraska)

Board members were asked to notify Minette Genuchi, Administrative Assistant to the County Board, if they plan to attend the meeting.

D. Intersection of North 84th Street and Havelock Road

There was consensus to have the Chair and Vice Chair ask Mayor Beutler to include the intersection of North 84th Street and Havelock Avenue in the City's plans to increase street construction over the next two years and to follow up the request with a letter signed by all the Commissioners.

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, appeared and indicated that the bids for the West Van Dorn Street project (see January 22, 2015 Staff Meeting minutes) were favorable and the County's portion of costs will closer to \$100,000.

E. 2015 Food Bank Drive and Picnic

There was consensus to participate in the 2015 Food Bank Drive.

Minette Genuchi, Administrative Assistant to the County Board, appeared and said the fundraising picnic will likely be held July 17th.

F. 2015 Combined Charitable Campaign

There was consensus to participate in the 2015 Combined Charitable Campaign.

11 PENDING

There were no pending items.

12 DISCUSSION OF BOARD MEMBER MEETINGS

A. Railroad Transportation Safety District (RTSD) - Avery/Hudkins

Hudkins said they discussed the budget and Roger Figard, City Engineer and RTSD Administrator, asked the County to restore the full levy for the RTSD to build up funds for future projects. He noted the current balance is \$13,000,000 and said there was extensive discussion on how to handle those funds and earnings.

Hudkins also reported on plans to select an architectural firm on April 7th for design and planning of a project involving crossings at 33rd and Cornhusker Highway and 35th and Adams Street.

Pam Dingman, County Engineer, appeared and said she brought forward information about rural railroad crossings at the meeting and said there are a lot of safety concerns.

In response to a question from Avery, Wiltgen explained it is up to a community to decide whether they want a "quiet zone" (a railroad grade crossing at which trains are prohibited from sounding their horns in order to decrease the noise level for nearby residential communities). He said the standards are determined by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) but they do not provide any financial assistance.

Wiltgen said he believes there should be greater involvement by the County Engineer and questioned why Figard is the Administrator and not Dingman. Eagan said he is not sure whether the City Engineer is specified in state statutes and agreed to check. He said it may be specified in the interlocal agreement between the City and County that created the RTSD.

B. Chamber Coffee - Amundson

Amundson said the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce is promoting www.lincolnjobs.com, in coordination with the Lincoln Journal Star Newspaper, and the hiring of veterans. She said the Chamber is also supporting a tax decrease and Legislative Bill (LB) 586 (Prohibit discrimination based upon sexual orientation and gender identity).

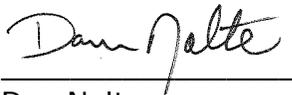
Amundson said other issues discussed included the Mayor's plan for \$10,000,000 in street rehabilitation and repair using savings from the Antelope Valley Project; the public safety ballot issue; the new Lincoln Public Schools (LPS)/Southeast Community College (SCC) Career Academy; LPS technology plan; and the groundbreaking for the new College of Business Administration (CBA) Building on Innovation Campus.

13 EMERGENCY ITEMS AND OTHER BUSINESS

There were no emergency items or other business.

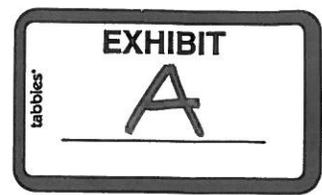
14 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Wiltgen moved and Hudkins seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:04 a.m. Wiltgen, Avery, Hudkins and Amundson voted aye. Schorr was absent from voting. Motion carried 4-0.



Dan Nolte
Lancaster County Clerk





Cj or Mr. Dennis Byars,

Re: Region V Funding for the Mental Health Crisis Center

On September 8th 2014, the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners submitted a letter and attended the Region V Governing Board to discuss Region V funding for the Mental Health Crisis Center. At that meeting the Governing Board passed a motion to earmark \$400,000 for reallocation to the center from Program 38 Carry Over of fiscal year 13-14.

At the November 3rd Governing Board meeting, revised reallocation recommendations were presented by C.J. Johnson explaining that the projected amount received by Region V had been reduced by \$123,000. Following other provider allocations \$279,117 remained, which was reallocated to the Mental Health Crisis Center.

Currently Region V is reviewing fiscal year 14-15 contract amendment requests from providers to adjust funding for better service utilization. This will provide funding to providers for the services where they can be best utilized by consumers and avoid returning unspent funds to the State.

We are asking for \$120,883 to be restored to the Mental Health Crisis Center utilizing unspent funds.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Lancaster County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Gordon Kissel
Joseph D. Kohout
Jonathan G. Bradford

DATE: March 5, 2015

RE: Weekly Update on the 2015 Legislature

Please accept this as the seventh of your weekly reports for the 2015 Legislative Session. Today is day 39. The Legislature continues to convene in the mornings – typically at 9am – and adjourn at noon for committee hearings in the afternoon. Both today and next Tuesday, the Legislature will be meeting only briefly at 9am to give the committees a chance to conduct executive sessions.

Below, please find legislation of particular note to Lancaster County

2015 Lancaster County Legislative Priorities:

1. **Property Tax Relief:** The Board has identified several potential options under this priority.

RESTORE STATE AID TO COUNTIES:

LB 609 – Adopt the Nebraska Bridge Repair Act
Introduced by Sen. Jim Smith of Papillion
Hearing Date: March 9, 2015
Transportation & Telecommunication

LB 609 creates a mechanism for priority of bridge repairs in Nebraska which includes a process whereby projects are prioritized by a commission including

some county commissioners. Engineer Dingman has expressed a concern about the design-build provisions of the bill. The hearing has been set for March 9, 2015 so we have some time to work through this concern.

POSITION: OPPOSE. The hearing on this measure is Monday before the Transportation and Telecommunication Committee. We understand that Engineer Dingman met with Senator Jim Smith last Monday.

LB 610 – Change motor vehicle excise taxes.
Introduced by Sen. Jim Smith, Papillion
Hearing Date: March 6, 2015
Revenue

Increases the gas tax by \$.015 over the course of a period of time to a total of \$.06. Intent is to fund LB610.

POSITION: The hearing on this measure is scheduled for tomorrow.

LB 626 – Create a fund and change motor vehicle fees and taxes and their distribution.
Introduced by Sen. Kathy Campbell, Lincoln
Hearing Date: March 9, 2015
Transportation & Telecommunication

Is intended to increase the registration fee for vehicles and move an amount into a Bridge Bank which will be used to repair bridges throughout Nebraska.

POSITION: The hearing on this measure is before the Transportation and Telecommunication Committee on Monday.

LB 633 – Appropriate funds for state aid to municipalities and counties.
Introduced by Sen. John Stinner, Gering
Hearing Date: March 18, 2015
Appropriations

LB 633 appropriates \$20,000,000 to counties and \$20,000,000 to cities for infrastructure projects for one year.

POSITION: The hearing on this measure has been scheduled.

OPPOSE ELIMINATION OF THE INHERITANCE TAX:

No legislation was introduced this year that would eliminate the inheritance tax

ELIMINATE UNFUNDED MANDATES:

**I would note for each of the bills under this section, we are working with Senator Mello to identify the amount of money available to address these. Until that final amount is given to us, we will need to figure out which of these measures we should seek to advance.*

LB 105 - Change Provisions relating to payment of fees and costs associated with deaths of incarcerated persons and grand juries
Introduced by Sen. Dan Watermeier, Syracuse
Hearing Date: February 12, 2015
Government

LB 105 would change provisions relating to the payment of fees and costs associated with the deaths of incarcerated persons and grand juries when it relates to the state. State of Nebraska would be responsible for payment of juror when the individual in question died by unlawful means while serving at a state facility. An autopsy done by the county coroner of that individual shall be charged back to the state.

POSITION: SUPPORT. The hearing on this bill was on Thursday February 12th, 2015. Mr. Eagan testified on behalf of Lancaster County. Those in support included NACO. No one appeared in opposition.

LB 427 – Provide for payment of probation office cost by the state
Introduced by Sen. Mike Groene, North Platte
Hearing Date: February 29, 2015
Government

This bill allows for the state to pay the cost of probation offices and those facilities performing in their official capacity. Actual and necessary expenses shall be paid. As Prior to July 1, 2015, counties providing space for probation services, may negotiate lease arrangements. Upon the close of business of June 30, 2015, the county shall no longer provide office and facilities to probation

POSITION: SUPPORT. The hearing on this bill was on Thursday, January 29, 2015. Those appearing in support included Joe Hewgley from the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, Larry Dix with NACO, Mike Kelley representing the Douglas County Board of Commissioners and Kerry Eagan representing this board. There was no opposition to the bill.

LB 341 – Provide requirements relating to health benefit plan coverage for insureds in jail custody.
Introduced by Sen. Sara Howard, Omaha
Hearing Date: March 9, 2015
Banking
DOUGLAS COUNTY PRIORITY

LB 341 states that an insurer may not cancel coverage or deny reimbursement for services covered by the plan for an individual in jail. LB 341 allows for reimbursement of a political subdivision by the insurer for services covered of an individual in custody. Coverage can be denied if the injuries occurred as a result of violation of law.

POSITION: RECOMMEND SUPPORT

RAISE COUNTY FEES:

LB 88 – Raise marriage license fees
Introduced by Sen. Kathy Campbell, Lincoln
Hearing Date: 1/21/2015
Judiciary

As introduced and advanced by the Committee, the bill would raise marriage license fees to \$50 from \$15 and certified copies from \$6 to \$16. An amendment was adopted on General File that capped the fee at \$25,

POSITION: SUPPORT. This bill was advanced on a near-unanimous vote by the Judiciary Committee including three Lancaster County Senators – Senators Coash, Morfeld & Pansing Brooks. Dan Nolte did a great job testifying on behalf of Lancaster County. Senator Chambers began to filibuster the bill. An amendment had been agreed-to by Senators Campbell and Bill Kintner of Papillion that would change the language in the bill so that the county board can set the rate in a range between \$30 and \$50 and certified copies be \$16. However concerns were raised on this methodology due to consistency across the state. Senators Campbell and Chambers agreed to an amendment on LB88 that would raise fees to \$25. The amendment was adopted the bill advanced to Select File. The bill was debated last week on Select File. After conversations on the floor and after concerns were raised about continued debate and potential loss of votes, an agreement was reached to amend the bill to reflect a \$9.00 fee for certified copy. The bill advanced to final reading.

SUPPORT ADEQUATE APPROPRIATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF LB561:

We continue to monitor all efforts in this area.

2. Support Medicaid Expansion under the Affordable Care Act:

LB 472 – Adopt the Medicaid Redesign Act.
Introduced by Sen. Kathy Campbell, Lincoln
Hearing Date: 2/25/15
Health and Human Services

LB 472 sets out to redesign Nebraska's Medicaid program with a specific plan. LB 472 creates the Medicaid Redesign Task force to review the Medicaid program and provide recommendations. LB 472 allows DHHS to work with the federal government to create a coverage plan. An estimated 1.8 billion in funds would be returned to Nebraska's economy from now until 2020. The Governor and DHHS would design and implement a Nebraska plan. The bill would ask that enrollees to contribute 2% of their income, unless active in a wellness program.

POSITION: SUPPORT. The hearing on this bill was on February 25, 2015. Commissioner Schorr testified in support on behalf of Lancaster County. Originally, a lobby day was scheduled for today but due to the calling of executive session, the lobby day was delayed until March 19, 2015.

3. **Address Lancaster County Obligations under the 300,000 population threshold.** As mentioned previously, this legislation was drafted at our request last week for potential introduction. Once the bill was drafted it became very clear that a significant number of sections were opened up. There was a concern raised about the diversity of sections that were being opened up as well as the fact that it may implicate some of Douglas County's thresholds. In discussion with staff, it was determined to take some time to go through the draft and spend some analyzing the multitude of sections opened up. Senator Hansen has requested interim study language to prepare the same in the coming weeks. We received some preliminary thoughts from Senator Hansen's office but are waiting on revisiting that language.
4. **Eliminate the Responsibility of Counties to Pay HHS Rent:** LB61 was heard before the Government, Military & Veterans Affairs Committee last Thursday. Mr. Eagan testified on behalf of Lancaster County. Those joining in support included Commissioner Mary Ann Borgeson on behalf of Douglas County, Dick Clark with the Platte Institute, Colby Mach with LIBA, Larry Dix with NACO and Fred Uhe with Sarpy County. Those opposed included Acting CEO of HHS Dr. Joseph Acierno.*
5. **Amend Mental Health Commitment Act / Funding for Community Based Sex Offender Treatment.** After discussion regarding the size of this request as drafted - \$7.5 Million - it was determined that Lancaster County should make a request of the Appropriations Committee at their hearing. The thought is that the complete picture of the LR424 task force recommendation - the prison review - are not complete and this could be a part of that broader conversation. The HHS budget has been set for hearing before the Appropriations Committee on March 16 & 17. We would recommend that the board authorize us to work with staff to develop testimony for the hearings on March 16 & 17, 2015. Also, the following bill is of note on this issue as well:

LB 592 – Change provisions relating to corrections and parole and mentally ill offenders

Introduced by Sen. Kate Bolz of Lincoln

Hearing Date: 2/20/15

Judiciary

LB 592 is one of six legislative bills introduced this session to address issues raised by the Interim Study report 424. LB 592 adds “personality disorder” to the definition of a mentally ill. The bill creates a clear separation of independence between the Department of Corrections and Pardons board when determining the treatment of inmates. Department of Corrections shall be responsible for an inmate while in confinement and Pardons board shall address the re-entry back to the general public. LB 592 adds a clean-up measure to the Sex Registry by adding “personality disorder” to the definition of mentally ill. The hearing on this bill was February 20, 2015.

6. Monitor Adult Corrections Reform. We will continue to monitor introductions for legislation that affects adult corrections reform. One bill has been set for hearing today on this issue as well:

**LB 119 – Change where certain sentences of imprisonment may be served
Introduced by Senator Paul Schumacher of Columbus**

Hearing Date: 2/12/15

Judiciary

The Nebraska Criminal Code at Neb. Rev. Stat §28-105 sets out penalties for the various classes of felonies which range from Class IV, with the least severe penalty, to Class I, with the most severe. Class IV and Class IIIA felonies have maximum penalties of 5 years imprisonment with no minimum sentences or fines. Section (2)(a) of §28-105 requires sentences of imprisonment of one year or more for convictions of Class IV and Class IIIa felonies be served in a State prison facility and sentences of less than one year be served in the county jail.

All sentences of imprisonment for classified felonies and sentences of more than 1 year and any lesser sentence shall be served concurrently or consecutively with such sentences. Sentence of 1 year or less may be served in a county jail.

Quoting from the fiscal note, “In the past 12 months Lancaster County has sent 268 felony 3,3A and 4 offenders to the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. We are assuming the upper sentence level of these inmates is not included in this impact statement. Knowing inmates are credited for time served in a pre-trial capacity, and accrue good time, we feel we would add 59 inmates per day to our average daily population. By using an average cost of \$94.00 per day the impact to our FY15, would be approximately \$2,000,000. With this potentially growing population, we would be concerned our bed capacity would be limited in the following years. The County would be hard pressed to find available bed space for pre-trial offenders.”

POSITION: OPPOSITION. The hearing on this bill was on February 12th, 2015 before the Judicial Committee. Mike Thurber testified in opposition on behalf of Lancaster Co. No one appeared in support.

7. Retirement Adjustment. LBI26 signed by the governor on February 26, 2015.

HEARINGS BEFORE THE NEXT STAFF MEETING:

1. LB 398 – Exempt all tangible personal property from property tax
Introduced by Sen. Burke Harr of Omaha
Hearing Date: 3/5/15
Revenue

This bill sets forth that beginning January 1, 2017, all tangible personal property shall be exempt from property tax. Property owned and used for agricultural and horticultural societies, educational, religious, etc.

2. LB 476 – Provide duties for county assessors and Property Tax Administrator relating to tax – exempt real property.
Introduced by Sen. Al Davis of Hyannis
Hearing Date: 3/5/15
Revenue

On or before December 1 each year, the county assessor will compile a list of parcel of real property in the county exempt from the property tax, and determine the estimated market value. The Property Tax Administrator shall prepare a report based off of the list. The report is due to the Clerk of Legislature before December 31, of each year.

POSITION: NO POSITION. Scott Gaines has raised a concern about this legislation as there may be a sizable cost associated with performing this responsibility.

3. LB 542 – Provide a sales tax exemption for purchases by county agricultural societies
Introduced by Sen. Burke Harr of
Hearing Date: 3/6/15
Revenue

The purpose of Legislative Bill 542 is to provide a sale and use tax exemption outlined in state statute 77-2704.15 for a “county agricultural society”.

POSITION: RECOMMEND SUPPORT

Other Legislation:

1. LB 13 – Change Community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program provisions
Introduced by Sen. Bob Krist of Omaha
Hearing Date: 2/26/15
Judiciary

LB 13 states 10% of the annual GF appropriation to the community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program shall be set aside for the development of a common data system at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, Juvenile Justice Institute, to assess the effectiveness of community-based Juvenile Services Aid program.

In conversations with Senator Krist, he has indicated that he intends this to be a one-time ear mark not an ongoing one. Further, the Appropriations Committee has included \$7.5 million in funding for 2015-16 and \$10 million in funding for 2016-17.

POSITION: NEUTRAL. This position is based upon an understanding of the rewritten amendment. Sara Hoyle testified on behalf of the county in a neutral capacity. We have provided our notes in an attachment to this document.

2. **LB 15 – Provide additional powers and duties for guardians ad litem**
Introduced by Sen. Bob Krist of Omaha
Hearing Date: 2/26/15
Judiciary

LB 15 states that a guardian ad-litem (GAL) is to receive required training required by the Nebraska Supreme Court. GAL is allowed to review and receive records/court plans prepared by the DHHS pertaining to the juvenile. GAL shall meet with the juvenile, upon the juvenile's request.

LB 15 was introduced as a response to the guardian ad-litem contracting situation in Douglas County. After conversations with Senator Krist, he is going to amend the bill this afternoon to include (a) a requirement that the Supreme Court adapt a court rule on GALs; (b) to clarify how these contracts work/their transparency; (c) provisions that are currently contained in LB 265. We recommend that someone familiar with Lancaster County be present at the hearing to verify that the amendment would not affect our contract with Legal Aid.

POSITION: NEUTRAL. This position was based on our understanding of the amendment Senator Krist was to offer to the committee. Joe Nigro testified in support on behalf of the county.

3. **LB 309 – Appropriate additional funds to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund**
Introduced by Sen. Al Davis of Hyannis
Hearing Date: 2/27/15
Appropriations

In addition to other appropriations for FY2016-17 to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund, the State Treasurer shall transfer \$25,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund

In addition to other appropriations for FY2015-16 to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund, the State Treasurer shall transfer \$25,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on or before December 15, 2015, on such date as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative

December 15, 2016, on such date as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

4. **LB 364 – Provide for transfers to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund and appropriations**
Introduced by Sen. Dan Watermeier of Syracuse
Hearing Date: 2/27/15
Appropriations

FY2015-16 the State Treasurer shall transfer \$60,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund and (2) FY2016-17 the State Treasurer shall transfer \$60,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund. Appropriation of (1) \$60,000,000 for FY2015-16 and (2) \$60,000,000 for FY2016-17 from the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund to the Department of Revenue, Program 132, to carry out the purposes of the property tax credit program.

5. **LB 387 – Transfer funds from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund**
Introduced by Sen. David Schnoor of Fremont
Hearing Date: 2/27/15
Appropriations

The State Treasurer shall transfer sixty million dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on or before December 15, 2015, on such date as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

6. **LB 442 – Appropriate additional funds to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund**
Introduced by Sen Kate Bolz of Lincoln
Hearing Date: 2/27/15
Appropriations

In addition to other appropriations for FY2016-17 to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund, the State Treasurer shall transfer \$20,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on or before December 15, 2015.

In addition to other appropriations for FY2015-16 to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund, the State Treasurer shall transfer \$20,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on or before December 15, 2015, on such date as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services. December 15, 2016, on such date as directed by the budget administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative Services.

7. **LB 265 – Change provisions relating to juveniles and child welfare**
Introduced by Sen. Kathy Campbell of Lincoln
Hearing Date: 2/27/15
Judiciary

LB 265 states a guardian ad-litem(GAL) will make a reasonable effort to become familiar with the needs of a juvenile by consultation with juvenile in his or her respective placement within 2 weeks of appointment and every 3 (was 6) months thereafter. GAL shall provide a written report, not limited to number of visits and make recommendations. LB 265 states the Foster Care Review board may participate in proceedings of the juvenile. LB 265 defines Trial Home visits as from the placement from foster care to the home of the legal guardian. LB 265 establishes a pilot project to determine whether policy outcomes meet the well-being outcomes for a juvenile and child-welfare involved in out of home placement.

8. **LB 391 – Change sales tax collection fees for motor vehicles**
Introduced by Sen. Sue Crawford of Bellevue
Hearing Date: 2/27/15
Revenue

LB 391 adds language in 77-2703(1)(I)(iii) to read:

The county treasurer shall deduct and withhold for the use of the county general fund, from all amounts required to be collected under this subsection, the collection fee permitted to be deducted by any retailer collecting the sales tax plus an additional one-half of one percent of all amounts in excess of three thousand dollars remitted each month.

POSITION: SUPPORT. This bill comes out of the unfunded mandate study of last interim. The hearing on this measure occurred on February 27, 2015. Joe provided the letter to the committee. Concerns were raised by Senator Smith at the hearing about the impact on roads funding.

9. **LB 564 – Change duties and obligations relating to the mowing of weeds along county roads**
Introduced by Sen. Brett Lindstrom of Omaha
Hearing Date: 3/3/15
Transportation and Telecommunications

The bill would limit mowing to one side of the road.

POSITION: OPPOSE. The hearing on this measure occurred on Tuesday.

10. **LB 499 – Provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services relating to behavioral and mental health services**
Introduced by Sen. Bob Krist of Omaha
Hearing Date: 3/4/15
Health and Human Services

LB 499 states DHHS will reestablish the provision of behavioral and mental health services throughout Nebraska. Departments of Corrections, Probation Administration, and Juvenile Services will assist

POSITION: NO POSITION. This is a placeholder bill for legislation that may come from the LR434 recommendations. This measure was heard in committee yesterday.

11. LB 293 - Change valuation of agricultural land and horticultural land
Introduced by Sen. David Schnoor of Scribner
Hearing Date: 2/19/15
Revenue

Lowers agricultural and horticultural land valuations from 75% to 65% of actual.

12. LB 350 - Change valuation of agricultural land and horticultural land
Introduced by Sen. Lydia Brasch of Bancroft
Hearing Date: 2/19/15
Revenue

Lowers agricultural and horticultural land valuations from 75% to 65% of actual.

13. LB 384 - Provide for reclassification of agricultural land and horticultural land
Introduced by Sen. Brett Lindstrom of Omaha
Hearing Date: 2/19/15
Revenue

The bill would allow for a reclassification of up to 30 acres per quarter section of cropland as range or pasture for purposes of property taxes.

14. LB 605 – Change classification of penalties, punishments, probation and parole provisions, and provisions relating to criminal records and restitution and provide for a special legislative committee
Introduced by Sen. Heath Mello of Omaha
Hearing Date: 2/20/15
Judiciary

LB 605 is the first part of recommendations stemming from the CSG working group that was created at the end of last session. We were asked by Commissioner Hudkins to convey County Attorney Joe Kelly's concern to Senator Mello. That was done as requested. Questions were raised during the hearing regarding both the County Attorney's suggested amendments and additional county aid. Senator Mello in follow-up conversations, is committed to the county aid we discussed at the 2/19/15 meeting. There has been no further discussion of this measure by the committee. It is likely to come up on Tuesday.

15. LB 606 – Adopt the Office of Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System Act, change provisions relating to the Public Counsel, and mandate a declaration by the Governor of a correctional system overcrowding emergency as prescribed
Introduced by Sen. Heath Mello of Omaha
Hearing Date: 2/20/15

Judiciary

LB 606 would establish a full-time program of investigation and performance review to provide increased accountability and oversight of the Nebraska correctional system. The office of Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System is created within the office of the Public Counsel for the purpose of conducting investigations, audits, inspections and other reviews of corrections. LB 606 states that the Governor shall declare a correctional system overcrowding emergency when the population is determined to be over 140% of capacity by certification of the director.

16. LB 273 – Authorize voters to decide partisan status of county offices
Introduced by Sen. Kate Sullivan of Cedar Rapids
Hearing Date: 2/25/15
Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Bill is to authorize voters to vote regarding partisan or nonpartisan ballots for nominations and election of county officers in certain counties. Summary of new language:

- (1) All county officers elected shall be nominated and elected on a partisan ballot.
- (2) County boards with a population of twenty thousand or fewer inhabitants may adopt a resolution requiring the submission of the question to the voters. Registered voters of a county with a population of ten thousand or fewer may file petition with county clerk requesting the question be put to the voters. The question shall be put to the voters at the first statewide general election after the adoption of the resolution.
- (3) If the vote on the question is in favor of the nomination and election of all officers elected on a nonpartisan ballot, shall be nominated and elected at all subsequent elections.

LB 273 removes language in several sections including at 32-325, that states that the county surveyor shall be elected on the partisan ballot and 32-326 that states that the county engineer shall be elected on the partisan ballot. As a result, the

17. LB188 - Change provisions relating to innocent third parties injured during a vehicular pursuit.
Introduced by Senator Dan Watermeier of Syracuse
Hearing Date: 1/23/2015
Judiciary

This is Senator Watermeier's bill that states that a passenger in a fleeing vehicle shall not be considered to be an innocent third party if the passenger (a) enters with knowledge the driver is under the influence (b) fails to take steps to persuade the driver of the fleeing vehicle to stop the vehicle (c) promotes or provokes the driver to flee (d) are themselves subject to arrest or (e) is engaged in illegal activity that would itself give rise to arrest.

POSITION: Support. LB188 was heard by the Judiciary Committee on January 23, 2015 and was opposed by several groups including the Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys.

18. **LB142 - Create the Aquatic Invasive Species Program and provide funding.**
Introduced by Senator Ken Schilz of Ogallala
Hearing Date: 1/21/2015
Natural Resource

To create the Nebraska Aquatic Invasive Species Program to be used by Game and Parks to prevent and mitigate damage caused by aquatic invasive species such as the zebra mussel, silver carp, and other such species. These species have proven destructive to the ecosystems and usability of surface waters in surrounding states, and steps must be taken to prevent their establishment in Nebraska. The Aquatic Invasive Species Program will be funded with a fee of between five and ten dollars, every three years that is paid with motorboat registration and/or renewal. Non-Nebraska boats shall be eligible for a yearly stamp at a cost of between ten and fifteen dollars. These funds are to be allocated for use in monitoring, testing, decontamination, and mitigation of aquatic invasive species in Nebraska surface waters.

POSITION: Monitor. This bill advanced from the Natural Resources Committee with an amendment – AM45 which creates the Aquatic Invasive Species fund at the Department. The bill was sent to the Governor on February 27, 2015.

19. **LB66 - Require political subdivisions to make disclosures regarding bonds and provide for liability.**
Introduced by Senator Paul Schumacher of Columbus
Hearing Date: 1/21/2015

As we read this bill, it would require the following disclosure on bond documents:

- (a) The amount of any unfunded pension obligations of the school district, city, village, or county
- (b) The actual amount of the valuation of the real estate subject to taxation in the school district, city, village, or county,
- (c) the actual amount of the valuation of the real estate in the school district, city, village, or county that will not be available for payment of the bonds because of tax increment financing, and
- (d) A statement substantially as follows: It is uncertain if the bonds being issued would have priority over the pension obligations of (insert name of school district, city, village, or county) if it declares bankruptcy.

It also provides for pretty stringent liabilities in the case of non-disclosure including the governing board members in their personal capacities.

POSITION: Oppose. The hearing on this bill was held on January 21, 2015 and bond counsel for the city of Lincoln testified and stated that Lancaster County

opposed the bill in his testimony. There was significant opposition and no support for the measure other than the introducer.

20. LB 132 – Change joint public agency bonding powers and procedures.

Introduced by Sen. Laura Ebke, Crete

Hearing Date: 1/29/15

Government

LB 132 links Joint Public Agency bond issuance procedures to taxing powers. It requires Joint Public Agencies follow the bond issuance procedures a participating public agency would be required to follow to bond the particular revenue stream.

POSITION: OPPOSED. This bill was heard by the Government Committee on January 29, 2015. Mr. Eagan noted potential concerns with this bill that could affect the JPA. The supporters of the bill included LIBA and the Platte Institute. Those in opposition included bond counsel for the City of Lincoln and Lynn Rex representing the League.

OTHER LEGISLATION OF NOTE RAISED BY DEPARTMENT HEADS:

1. LB 212 – Prohibit use of restraints in juvenile court as prescribed.

Introduced by Sen. Chambers of Omaha

Hearing Date: 2/25/15

Judiciary

Restraints shall not be used on a juvenile during a juvenile court proceeding and removed prior to the juvenile's appearance before the juvenile court. Unless there is cause to show the need of restraints in the court proceeding. If there is a determination that restraints are needed, juvenile court shall provide the juvenile, the juvenile's attorney, or the juvenile's parent or guardian an opportunity to be heard before ordering the use of restraints.

POSITION: NO POSITION: Sheli Schindler has raised an issue with this legislation. Senator Krist has indicated that he introduced this legislation to conform to best practices.

2. LB 266 – Change provisions relating to jurisdiction for municipalities to enforce ordinances

Introduced by Sen. Sue Crawford, Bellevue

Hearing Date: 2/3/15

Urban Affairs

Municipalities currently have the authority to regulate nuisances within their extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction. LB 266 amends various nuisance statutes to clarify this existing authority.

POSITION: NO POSITION: An amendment was worked out prior to the hearing to work out concerns raised by the League. An amendment was offered to the Committee during the hearing that would exempt out counties of greater than 100,000 – citing joint planning boards and commissions – and providing for a notice to County Boards of development in the ETJ of a city. The bill was sent to the Governor.

3. **LB 543 – Provide for certification of community paramedics and reimbursement under Medicaid**

Introduced by Sen. Burke Harr of Omaha

Hearing Date: February 6, 2015

Health and Human Services

PRIORITY FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY

LB 543 establishes criteria and requirements for certification for community paramedics. To be eligible for certification, an individual must be a licensed paramedic and completed a paramedic education program from a board approved university or college.

POSITION: NO POSITION. This is a priority for Douglas County. There was significant opposition leveled at the hearing including most of the home-based healthcare organizations in the state.

4. **LB 106 - Adopt the Livestock Operation Siting and Expansion Act and change powers of counties relating to zoning**

Introduced by Senator Dan Watermeier of Syracuse

Hearing Date: February 12, 2015

Government, Military & Veterans Affairs Committee

NACO PRIORITY

This bill creates a mechanism for livestock operation siting and allows for certain officials to be on the board.

5. **LB 98 - State intent regarding appropriations for tobacco use prevention control**

Introduced by Senator Kate Bolz of Lincoln

Hearing Date:

Appropriations Committee

Judy Halstead Discussed at January 29, 2015 Meeting – Support with caveat around Health Care Cash funding levels

The bill would appropriate \$7 Million in both years of the biennium for tobacco use cessation.

6. **LB 118 - Provide for licensure of cigar shops**

Introduced by Senator Tyson Larson of O'Neill

Hearing Date: January 26, 2015

General Affairs Committee

Judy Halstead Discussed at January 29, 2015 Meeting – Oppose

The bill re-creates an exemption for cigar bars. The bill has passed.

7. **LB 148 - Provide for medical assistance program coverage for certain youth formerly in foster care**
Introduced by Senator Sue Crawford of Bellevue
Hearing Date: January 30, 2015
Health & Human Services Committee
Judy Halstead Discussed at January 29, 2015 Meeting – Support

This bill carries former foster youth on Medicaid until the age of 26.

8. **LB 332 - Appropriate funds for the statewide prescription drug disposal project**
Introduced by Senator John Kuehn of Heartwell
Hearing Date:
Appropriations Committee
Judy Halstead Discussed at January 29, 2015 Meeting - Support

This bill appropriates \$600,000 in each year of the biennium to a drug disposal program.

9. **Appropriation for Public Health Aid – HHS Budget**
The Department of Health – along with others – is seeking a \$5.2 Million Appropriation. This would mean \$700,000 to Lincoln/Lancaster in both years of the biennium.

10. **LB 374 - Direct transfers from the State Recreation Road Fund**
Introduced by Senator Ken Haar of Malcom
Hearing Date: 3/12/15
Appropriations Committee
Engineer Dingman Discussed at January 29, 2015 Meeting

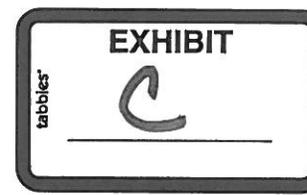
The bill would cap the amount in the State Recreation Road Fund at \$15 Million and move the amount greater than that to Game and Parks State Park Improvement and Maintenance Fund.

11. **LB 564 - Change duties and obligations relating to the mowing of weeds along county roads**
Introduced by Senator Brent Lindstrom of Omaha
Hearing Date: March 3, 2015
Transportation & Telecommunications Committee
Engineer Dingman Discussed at January 29, 2015 Meeting

The bill would limit mowing to one side of the road.

This concludes our report for this week. We would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

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Bills of Interest Report
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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB13	Krist		Change Community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program provisions	Judiciary	2/26/2015		LB 13 states 100% of the annual GF appropriation to the community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program shall be set aside for the development of a common data system at the University of Nebraska at Omaha	Monitor	Monitor
LB15	Krist		Provide additional powers and duties for guardians ad litem	Judiciary	2/26/2015		LB 15 states that a guardian ad-litem (GAL) is to receive required training required by the Nebraska Supreme Court	[DC Priority]	Monitor
LB16	Krist		Adopt the Purchasing from Persons with Disabilities Act	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/22/2015		LB 16 provides quality jobs to people with disabilities by implementing the Purchasing from Persons with Disabilities Act.		
LB25	Krist		Change court jurisdiction relating to 17 year olds and young adults	Judiciary	2/25/2015				Monitor
LB30	McCoy		Prohibit disclosure of any applicant or permitholder information regarding firearms registration, possession, sale, or use as prescribed	Judiciary	3/19/2015				

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB37	Krist		Adopt the Prescription Drug Safety Act and change and transfer pharmacy, prescription, and drug provisions	Health and Human Services	1/21/2015	General File w/AM140; AM140 Adopted; Select File w/ER41; Krist AM470 Filed			
LB43	Coash		Provide for standby guardians and recovery of assets under the Nebraska Probate Code	Judiciary	1/21/2015	General File w/AM72; AM72 Adopted; Select File 2/5; Final Reading 2/17; Passed on Final Reading 48-0-1; Approved			
LB53	Scheer		Provide for issuance of one license plate for passenger cars as prescribed	Transportation & Telecommunications	2/3/2015	General File 3/2	LB 53 states as of January 1, 2017, a request for one license plate can be made for any passenger car. With a request for a single license plate and license decal, there is a one hundred dollar fee payable to the county treasurer		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB61	Bolz		Change funding for county offices relating to administration of public assistance programs	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/29/2015		LB61 would seek to repeal a provision in statute that currently requires counties to pay for rental costs or provide space to the Department of Health and Human Services for services that were provided by counties prior to those responsibilities being transferred to the	[LC Priority] Support	Support
LB65	Schumacher		Change provisions relating to termination of township boards	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/21/2015	General File; Select File w/ER5; Shumacher AM67 Filed; AM67 Adopted; Passed on Final Reading w/E-clause 49-0-0			Support

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB88	Campbell		Change fees relating to marriage licenses	Judiciary	1/21/2015	General File 1/27; Kintner AM110 Filed; Kintner AM131 Filed; Kintner AM155 Filed; AM155 Withdrawn; AM131 Withdrawn; Kintner AM185 Filed; AM185 Adopted; Select File 2/5; Bloomfield AM184 Filed; AM184 Withdrawn; Bloomfield FA13 Filed; FA13 Adopted		[LC Priority] Support	[NACO Priority]
LB94	Smith		Provide for issuance of printed motor vehicle certificate of title for nonresidents as prescribed	Transportation & Telecommunications	1/27/2015	General File 1/29; Select File 2/9; Final Reading 2/20; Passed on Final Reading 46-0-3			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB98	Bolz		State intent regarding appropriations for tobacco use prevention control	Appropriations	3/16/2015		Include in the appropriation to Agency No. 25 and Program No 30, for FY 2015-16, \$7 million Cash Funds and for FY 2016-17, \$7 million Cash Funds use for tobacco use prevention control from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund	Support	[NACO Priority]
LB105	Watermeier		Change provisions relating to payment of fees and costs associated with deaths of incarcerated persons and grand juries	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/12/2015		State of Nebraska would be responsible for payment of juror when the individual in question died by unlawful means while serving at a state facility. An autopsy done by the county coroner of that individual shall be charged back to the state	Support	[NACO Priority]
LB106	Watermeier		Adopt the Livestock Operation Siting and Expansion Act and change powers of counties relating to zoning	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/12/2015		LB 106 creates the Livestock Operating Siting and Expansion Act and to be implemented by the creation of the Livestock Operation Siting Review Board		Neutral

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB111	Larson		Require identification to vote	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/23/2015	Prevails			

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB113	Larson		Provide a co-payment for correctional inmates' health care services	Judiciary	2/18/2015		An inmate who request medical treatment will make a copayment of not less than \$10.00 when receiving non-emergency service. The visit shall be deducted from the inmate account as part of copayment. If the account has insufficient funds at the time of the non-emergency treatment, fifty percent of any future deposit shall be withheld until copayment amount owed is paid in full		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB118	Larson		Provide for licensure of cigar shops		1/26/2015	General File w/AM97; AM97 Adopted; Larson AM221 Filed; AM221 Adopted; Select File w/ER14; Schumacher AM343 Filed; AM221 Withdrawn; AM343 Adopted; Final Reading w/ST3; Passed on Final Reading w/E-clause 45-3-1; Approved		Oppose	
LB119	Schumacher		Change where certain sentences of imprisonment may be served	Judiciary	2/12/2015		All sentences of imprisonment for classified felonies and sentences of more than 1 year and any lesser sentence shall be served concurrently or consecutively with such sentences. Sentence of 1 year or less may be served in a county jail		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB120	Schumacher		Provide for seizure of license plates of certain uninsured motor vehicles or trailers as prescribed	Judiciary	1/28/2015		LB120 would authorize law enforcement to seize license plates from a vehicle if at the time the vehicle is pulled over and the driver is unable to produce proof of insurance. The citation issued would serve as a temporary plate for 10 days. If the vehicle was not insured at the time of the stop, in addition to other penalties and fees, the owner of the vehicle would pay \$50 to get the vehicle plates back. The result is that the vehicle remains conspicuous and more likely to be reticketed if it remains uninsured	[LC Priority] Support	
LB122	Schumacher		Change provisions relating to operation of utility-type vehicles	Transportation & Telecommunications	1/27/2015	General File 1/29; Select File 2/9; Bloomfield AM407 Filed; AM407 Adopted; Final Reading 2/23			

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LB126	Nordquist		Change a combined contribution retirement benefit rate as prescribed	Nebraska Retirement Systems	1/20/2015	General File w/AM12; AM12 Adopted; Select File w/ER1; Final Reading; Passed on Final Reading 49-0; Approved			
LB131	Craighead		Change provisions relating to annexation and prohibit sanitary and improvement districts from spending certain assets	Urban Affairs	1/27/2015	General File w/AM405	This bill provides financial guidance to Sanitary and Improvement Districts (SIDs) once the intent of their annexation by an adjacent qualifying city is made. This bill changes the restrictions on SIDs to enter into or extend contracts once they have been notified that a city is proposing the annex of the SID. After such, notification, the SID will need to seek the approval of the City before entering into any contracts.		Support

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LB132	Ebke		Change joint public agency bonding powers and procedures	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/29/2015		links Joint Public Agency bond issuance procedures to taxing powers. It requires Joint Public Agencies follow the bond issuance procedures a participating public agency would be required to follow to bond the particular revenue stream	Oppose	
LB135	Johnson		Change provisions relating to termination of township boards	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/21/2015			Monitor	
LB139	Johnson		Change and eliminate provisions relating to the Real Property Appraiser Act	Banking Commerce & Insurance	1/27/2015	General File			
LB142	Schilz		Create the Aquatic Invasive Species Program and provide funding	Natural Resources	1/21/2015	General File w/AM45; AM45 Adopted; Select File w/ER20; Schilz AM255 Filed; AM255 Adopted; Final Reading w/ST8; Passed on Final Reading w/E-Clause 46-1-2	To create the Nebraska Aquatic Invasive Species Program to be used by Game and Parks to prevent and mitigate damage caused by aquatic invasive species such as the zebra mussel, silver carp, and other such species	Monitor	

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LB146	Crawford		Provide for disposition of unclaimed cremated remains in a veteran cemetery	Health and Human Services	1/29/2015	General File w/AM142; AM142 Adopted	LB 146 establishes a voluntary process for funeral homes to work with veteran service organizations to locate, identify and inter unclaimed cremated remains of veterans and their dependents for the purposes of burial in a veteran cemetery		Monitor
LB148	Crawford		Provide for medical assistance program coverage for certain youth formerly in foster care	Health and Human Services			Under Section 2004 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), foster youth who age out of the foster care system in Nebraska without reunification with their families or adoption are eligible for Medicaid coverage until age 26. This mirrors the provision in the PPACA allowing young adults to stay on their parents' insurance plan until age 26	Monitor	Monitor

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LB158	McCollister		Deny compensation under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act in situations of false representation	Business and Labor	3/2/2015		No compensation shall be allowed if, at the time of or in the course of entering into employment or at the time of receiving notice of the removal of conditions from a conditional offer of employment		Monitor
LB172	Chambers		Eliminate certain mandatory minimum penalties	Judiciary	2/11/2015			Support	Support
LB173	Chambers		Change habitual criminal provisions	Judiciary	2/11/2015	General File w/AM472			Oppose
LB186	Bolz		Adopt the Property Tax Circuit Breaker Act	Revenue	1/29/2015		This bill allows for a resident or partial-year resident of Nebraska who owns or rents his primary residence to apply for a refundable income tax credit. The applicant must have resided at the property he or she is requesting for consideration for at least six months		

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LB188	Watermeier		Change provisions relating to innocent third parties injured during a vehicular pursuit	Judiciary	1/23/2015		The bill states that a passenger in a fleeing vehicle shall not be considered to be an innocent third party if the passenger (a) enters with knowledge the driver is under the influence (b) fails to take steps to persuade the driver of the fleeing vehicle to stop the vehicle (c) promotes or provokes the driver to flee (d) are themselves subject to arrest or (e) is engaged in illegal activity that would itself give rise to arrest	Support	Oppose
LB202	Davis		Provide for partisan ballots for unaffiliated voters at primary elections	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/26/2015				
LB209	Hilkemann		Adopt the Political Subdivisions Mandatory Mediation Act	Judiciary	1/23/2015	Indefinitely Postponed			
LB210	Ebke		Change provisions relating to housing agencies and taxation of mixed-use developments	Revenue	2/12/2015		<i>Relating to low income housing</i>		Monitor

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LB212	Chambers		Prohibit use of restraints in juvenile courts as prescribed	Judiciary	2/25/2015		Restraints shall not be used on a juvenile during a juvenile court proceeding and removed prior to the juvenile's appearance before the juvenile court. Unless there is cause to show the need of restraints in the court proceeding		Oppose
LB213	Schumacher		Provide for withholding of insurance proceeds for demolition purposes	Banking Commerce & Insurance	2/17/2015				
LB214	Schumacher		Provide for electronic signatures on initiative and referendum petitions	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/18/2015				

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LB224	Harr		Provide and change restrictions relating to electioneering	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/4/2015		LB 224 would require the placement of flags on the day of any election to indicate the area within 200 feet of a polling place unless that area is across a public thoroughfare or private property. It would also require the designation of an approximately ten feet by five feet yard- sign zone within the 200 foot area which would allow for any person to display a campaign sign in the zone beginning at 7 a.m. and ending at 9 p.m. on the day of the election		
LB230	Mello		Change provisions relating to partition actions	Revenue	2/19/2015				[NACO Priority]
LB236	Coash		Change and eliminate provisions relating to collection of judgments and public retirement plans	Nebraska Retirement Systems	1/27/2015				
LB237	Coash		Appropriate funds for correctional facilities	Appropriations					

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LB241	Stinner		Change provisions relating to conveyances of cemetery lots	General Affairs	1/26/2015	General File 1/29; Select File 2/9; Final Reading 2/19; Passed on Final Reading 47-0-2			
LB244	Pansing Brooks		Change provisions relating to motions for new trial based upon discovery of new evidence	Judiciary	1/30/2015				
LB245	Pansing Brooks		Change provisions relating to DNA testing of biological material	Judiciary	1/30/2015	General File w/AM197	This bill allows the court to order DNA testing, pursuant to a motion filed, that the biological material was not previously tested; material was tested, but current technology may provide more accurate findings		
LB250	Larson		Eliminate time restrictions on keno	General Affairs	1/26/2015				Monitor
LB253	Morfeld		Change acknowledgment requirements relating to homesteads	Judiciary	2/6/2015	General File w/AM278			
LB256	Bloomfield		Change the sales tax rate and the distribution of sales tax revenue	Revenue	2/20/2015		LB 256 would raise the state sales and use tax from the current five and one-half percent to six percent as of October 1, 2015.		

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LB259	Gloor		Adopt the Personal Property Tax Relief Act	Revenue	1/29/2015		To exempt the first \$25,000 worth of personal property value for each personal property tax return filed with a county assessor		Monitor
LB260	Gloor		Authorize the Property Tax Administrator to correct certain errors	Revenue	1/23/2015	General File 1/29; Select File 2/9; Final Reading 2/19; Passed on Final Reading w/E-clause 46-0-3	To expand the time frame to three years from date of certified valuation for errors regarding valuation to be corrected by the Property Tax Administrator or to recertify said valuation within three years of distribution of the tax to a county		
LB265	Campbell		Change provisions relating to juveniles and child welfare	Judiciary	2/27/2015		LB 265 states a guardian ad-litem(GAL) will make a reasonable effort to become familiar with the needs of a juvenile by consultation with juvenile in his or her respective placement within 2 weeks of appointment and every 3 (was 6) months thereafter		Monitor

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LB266	Crawford		Change provisions relating to jurisdiction for municipalities to enforce ordinances	Urban Affairs	2/3/2015	General File w/AM122; AM122 Adopted; Select File w/ER30; Final Reading 2/19; Passed on Final Reading 47-0-2	Municipalities currently have the authority to regulate nuisances within their extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction. LB 266 amends various nuisance statutes to clarify this existing authority		Monitor
LB277	Harr		Change tax deed lien priority	Revenue	2/12/2015		to clarify that SID special assessments also survive the tax deed method so that SID special assessments are treated the same no matter which method a tax certificate holder uses to exercise his or rights to the property purchased at a tax sale		
LB282	Baker		Change provisions relating to closed sessions for public bodies	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/11/2015	Indefinitely Postponed			Oppose

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LB288	Ebke		Prohibit public employers from making certain deductions from wages	Business and Labor	3/9/2015		Any collective-bargaining agreement involving a public employer entered into, renewed, or extended on or after the effective date of this act shall not contain provisions requiring or allowing the deduction of dues		Support
LB290	Coash		Eliminate certain notification requirements under the Sex Offender Registration Act and eliminate the offense of unlawful use of the Internet by a prohibited sex offender	Judiciary	2/12/2015	General File 2/20			
LB293	Schnoor		Change valuation of agricultural land and horticultural land	Revenue	2/19/2015		LB 293 would reduce the value of agricultural and horticultural land for taxation purposes. The rate would be reduced down to 65%, currently the range is between 69% to 75%.		

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LB295	Scheer		Require municipalities to have county approval before enforcing ordinances in the extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction	Urban Affairs	2/3/2015	General File w/AM323	requires that cities of all classes and villages receive approval from county boards, with jurisdiction over an extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction, before they are able to enforce ordinances, bylaws, rule, regulations, and resolutions within said extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction unless otherwise provided by law		Support
LB308	Kolowski		Provide for preregistration to vote	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/27/2015				Monitor
LB309	Davis		Appropriate additional funds to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund	Appropriations	2/27/2015		In addition to other appropriations for FY2016-17 to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund, the State Treasurer shall transfer \$25,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund		

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LB319	Smith		Change provisions relating to elections conducted by mail	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/5/2015		LB 319 states all registered voters of the political subdivision or a district or ward of the political subdivision are eligible to vote on all candidates and issues submitted to voters		
LB325	Davis		Change levy provisions for rural and suburban fire protection districts	Revenue	2/26/2015		Makes changes to the provisions dealing with rural and suburban fire protection districts	[DC Priority]	
LB331	Nordquist		Adopt the Bioscience Impact Opportunity Act	Revenue	2/11/2015				
LB332	Kuehn		Appropriate funds for the statewide prescription drug disposal project	Appropriations	3/16/2015			Support	Support
LB333	Gloor		Adopt the Health Care Services Transformation Act	Health and Human Services	3/11/2015				

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LB337	Harr		Rename and change the Low-Income Home Energy Conservation Act	Natural Resources	2/5/2015		Several changes are proposed to change the use of the Act to include energy demand reduction projects. Those eligible for funding would include any natural person, political subdivisions, corporations or other businesses that receive energy service from an eligible entity at a building that receives no greater than a one thousand kilowatt demand. Funding for the program is increased from \$250,000 to \$500,000		Oppose
LB340	Brasch		Provide signage requirements and duties for the Nebraska State Patrol under the Concealed Handgun Permit Act	Judiciary	3/20/2015		The Nebraska State Patrol will design a standardized sign for use by any person, entity, or employer in control of property prohibiting a permit holder from carrying a concealed handgun in or on the place or premises		

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LB341	Howard		Provide requirements relating to health benefit plan coverage for insureds in jail custody	Banking Commerce & Insurance	3/9/2015		states that an insurer may not cancel coverage or deny reimbursement for services covered by the plan for an individual in jail. LB 341 allows for reimbursement of a political subdivision by the insurer for services covered of an individual in custody. Coverage can be denied if the injuries occurred as a result of violation of law		Oppose
LB344	Kolowski		Provide natural resources districts with the power to issue general obligation bonds	Natural Resources	3/6/2015		LB 344 gives Natural Resource Districts (NRDs) the power and authority to issue general obligation bonds for the purpose of financing all or part of the cost of non-revenue-producing water projects authorized by law		Oppse

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LB345	Kolowski		Adopt the Property Tax Relief Act	Revenue	2/12/2015		The bill creates the Property Tax Relief Act to provide property tax relief for property taxes levied against homesteads. Homestead is to mean residence or mobile home and the land surrounding it		
LB347	Krist		Expand the jurisdiction of the Inspector General to the juvenile justice system	Judiciary	2/26/2015				
LB350	Brasch		Change valuation of agricultural land and horticultural land	Revenue	2/19/2015		This bill decreases valuations by 10% from 75% to 65%		
LB356	Harr		Change provisions relating to the assessment of certain rent-restricted housing projects	Revenue	2/26/2015		provide safe, decent and affordable rent-restricted housing in Nebraska. LB 356 prescribes standards and methods for the determination of value of real property at uniform and proportionate values		Neutral
LB357	Smith		Change income tax rates and transfer funds from the Cash Reserve Fund	Revenue	2/18/2015				Oppose

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LB359	Johnson		Change a fee collected from dog licensees	Agriculture	2/17/2015		LB 359 increases a state fee collected by local subdivisions assessed upon licensure of cats and dogs		
LB376	Hansen		Provide that public charitable corporations are subject to the Deferred Building Renewal Act	Executive Board	2/17/2015		The purpose of LB 376 is to allow for Public Charitable Corporations to request funding under the Deferred Building Renewal Act		Monitor
LB383	Hansen		Permit registered voters moving within Nebraska without re-registering to vote provisionally	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/27/2015				Oppose
LB384	Lindstrom		Provide for reclassification of agricultural land and horticultural land	Revenue	2/19/2015		<i>Land owner with 160 acres of crop land may have 30 acres to 160 acres valued as pasture if planted to perennial cover</i>		
LB387	Schnoor		Transfer funds from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund	Appropriations	2/27/2015		The State Treasurer shall transfer sixty million dollars from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on or before December 15, 2015		Oppose

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LB391	Crawford		Change sales tax collection fees for motor vehicles	Revenue	2/27/2015		LB 391 adds an additional tax in 77-2703(1)(l)(iii) to read: <u>plus an additional one-half of one percent of all amounts in excess of three thousand dollars</u>		
LB398	Harr		Exempt all tangible personal property from property tax	Revenue	3/5/2015		This bill sets forth that beginning January 1, 2017, all tangible personal property shall be exempt from property tax. Property owned and used for agricultural and horticultural societies, educational, religious, etc		
LB406	Morfeld		Change provisions relating to actions for the recovery of vacant, platted, and subdivided real property as prescribed	Judiciary	2/19/2015		An action would not be taken against an individual for the recovery of vacant, platted, and subdivided real property, if that person has been in actual possession for twenty years		[NACO Priority]

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LB414	Harr		Provide a property tax exemption for fraternal benefit societies	Revenue	3/5/2015		Every society organized or licensed is a charitable and benevolent institution, with all funds and property being exempt from all and every state, county, district, municipal and school tax		
LB415	Pansing Brooks		Change provisions relating to the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act	Judiciary	2/19/2015	General File w/AM200			Support
LB416	Pansing Brooks		Change provisions relating to transfers of property upon death	Judiciary	2/6/2015				
LB420	Crawford		Require acknowledgments from purchasers of real estate in a sanitary and improvement district	Urban Affairs	2/10/2015	General File 2/18	LB 420 would require a salesperson or real estate broker or owner to have acknowledgement from purchaser he or she understands property lies within an SID		Monitor
LB425	Riepe		Provide for earned time and discontinue the use of good time	Judiciary	2/18/2015				

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LB427	Groene		Provide for payment of probation office costs by the state	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	1/29/2015		This bill allows for the state to pay the cost of probation offices and those facilities performing in their official capacity. Actual and necessary expenses shall be paid		
LB428	Garrett		Provide an exemption from motor vehicle taxation for certain veterans	Revenue	2/27/2015			[LC Priority] Support	[NACO Priority]
LB432	Baker		Change provisions relating to access to and copying of public records	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs		Baker MO7 Withdraw Bill Filed; Bill Withdrawn	Makes changes including allowing the custodian of the records to provide the requested materials in an electronic format	Monitor	Oppose
LB442	Bolz		Appropriate additional funds to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund	Appropriations	2/27/2015		Appropriation for FY 2015-16 for 20,000,000 to the property Tax Credit Cash Fund. Second appropriation of same amount for FY 2016-17.		
LB460	Nordquist		Provide for licensure of charter bus and limousine services and pedal-pub vehicles for the consumption of alcohol	General Affairs	2/2/2015	General File w/AM396	This bill would create a licensure process for "party buses" as well as pedal vehicles where you can consume alcohol		Monitor
LB472	Campbell		Adopt the Medicaid Redesign Act	Health and Human Services	2/25/2015		This year's Medicaid expansion effort also includes a redesign of Medicaid.	Support	

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LB476	Davis		Provide duties for county assessors and the Property Tax Administrator relating to tax-exempt real property	Revenue	3/5/2015		On or before December 1 each year, the county assessor will compile a list of parcel of real property in the county exempt from the property tax, and determine the estimated market value		Monitor
LB479	Bloomfield		Change provisions relating to memorials to veterans	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/20/2015		Removes: all counties, townships, cities, and villages of Nebraska that may erect or aid in the erection of statues, monuments, or other memorials commemorating the services of the members of the Armed Forces of the Civil, Spanish – American, or World Wars or the Korean or Vietnam conflict to be located upon the public lands or within the public buildings within such county, township, city or village	Monitor	
LB482	Krist		Change provisions relating to juveniles	Judiciary	2/25/2015				

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LB483	Pansing Brooks		Change provisions relating to indeterminate sentencing	Judiciary	2/11/2015				
LB491	Morfeld		Provide for an election day voter registration pilot project	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/27/2015				
LB492	Morfeld		Change provisions relating to fees charged by the register of deeds	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/12/2015				Support
LB499	Krist		Provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services relating to behavioral and mental health services	Health and Human Services	3/4/2015		This bill is a shell bill that will be utilized by Senator Krist if needed to address the recommendations of either the LR434 Investigative Committee or the CSG Report. He suggested that LB500 is also part of this equation.	[DC Priority]	
LB500	Howard		Require application for medicaid state plan amendment for multisystemic therapy and functional family therapy	Health and Human Services	3/4/2015		On or before July 1, 2015, the department shall submit an application to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services of the United States Department of Health and Human Services		

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LB502	Krist		State intent to establish a family court pilot project	Judiciary	2/26/2015		Legislature declares family courts programs to be working and that the Supreme Court shall establish a pilot project of family court in Douglas County		
LB514	Craighead		Change provisions relating to registering to vote and voting early at the same time	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/5/2015	General File 2/23	Legislative Bill 514 amends Nebraska Revised Statute 32-942 by adding an option for voters who wish to register to vote and vote early on the same day		
LB518	Riepe		Provide for changes to the medical assistance program	Health and Human Services	3/18/2015		LB 518 establishes the Nebraska Health Savings Account Plan to provide state funds for eligible recipients		

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LB539	Watermeier		Change provisions relating to the office of Legislative Audit and the Auditor of Public Accounts	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/6/2015	General File w/AM487	LB 539 states that the Auditor of Public accounts shall have access to any and all information and records, confidential or otherwise, including privileged communications, unless otherwise denied such access by federal law or explicitly named and denied access by state law		
LB543	Harr		Provide for certification of community paramedics and reimbursement under medicaid	Health and Human Services	2/6/2015		LB 543 establishes criteria and requirements for certification for community paramedics. To be eligible for certification, an individual must be a licensed paramedic and completed a paramedic education program from a board approved university or college		
LB544	Harr		Adopt the Community Gardens Act	Agriculture	2/24/2015				

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LB549	Campbell		Adopt the Health Care Transformation Act	Health and Human Services	2/20/2015		LB549 creates the Health Care Transformation Act to encourage collaboration among all health care system stakeholders in the state to create a 15 year vision to include the Building Blocks of Health Care		Oppose
LB556	Kolowski		Waive workers' compensation as the exclusive remedy if an employer is willfully negligent	Business and Labor			, at the option of the employee, make the exclusive remedy protection for the employer inapplicable in cases where the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court has made a determination that the injury is due to the willful negligence of the employer		
LB560	Williams		Appropriate funds to the University of Nebraska and create a fund	Appropriations	3/3/2015		Appropriation of \$25,000,000 from the General Fund for FY2015-16 to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska for building projects at the Nebraska Innovation Campus		Support

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LB561	Stinner		Name the Irrigation District Act and change election provisions for irrigation districts	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/12/2015	General File 2/23			
LB564	Lindstrom		Change duties and obligations relating to the mowing of weeds along county roads	Transportation & Telecommunications	3/3/2015		LB 564 states that roadside mowing be done on a scheduled rotational basis with no more than one-third of the county property mowed within a one year		Support
LB567	Johnson		Permit transfer of prescription information between pharmacies as prescribed	Health and Human Services	2/11/2015		LB 567 seeks to establish legislative intent of the law and to clarify the section		Support
LB570	Brasch		Change operation restrictions on golf car vehicles	Transportation & Telecommunications	2/10/2015	General File w/AM398	LB 570 states that between sunrise and sunset, a city, county, or village may implement standards for golf car vehicles for use. This includes that if an operator is found guilty of a violation and having no limited liability insurance would be guilty of a Class IV misdemeanor		Support
LB574	Davis		Adopt the Intangible Personal Property Tax Act	Revenue	3/12/2015		<i>Intangible Property Tax Act</i>		

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LB575	Murante		Change provisions relating to ballots for early voting, write-in candidates, and filling vacancies	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/5/2015				Oppose
LB577	Murante		Permit counties to regulate peddlers, hawkers, and solicitors	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/18/2015				Monitor
LB578	Murante		Change provisions relating to elections	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/5/2015		LB 578 states that any judge or clerk of election, precinct or district inspector or temp election worker may choose not to be paid for the hours he or she works		
LB579	Murante		Change traffic accident reporting requirements as prescribed and authorize a fee for a copy of a peace officer report	Transportation & Telecommunications	2/17/2015				Monitor
LB587	McCollister		Change the motor vehicle tax schedules	Revenue	3/18/2015		Changes the motor vehicle tax schedule for motor vehicles other than passenger cars; automobiles and motorcycles. Operative date of January 1, 2016		
LB588	Pansing Brooks		Provide for electronic application for ballots to vote early by mail	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/27/2015				Oppose

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB590	Friesen		Change provisions relating to a taxable value certified under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	Education	2/2/2015		LB 590 states when the county assessor provides the total taxable value by a school district in the county for the current assessment year, the county assessor is to include the assessed valuation of any taxable real property having it's property taxes divided, rather than property's redevelopment project valuation		
LB592	Bolz		Change provisions relating to corrections and parole and mentally ill offenders	Judiciary	2/20/2015		LB 592 in one of six legislative bills introduced this session to address issues raised by the Interim Study report 424. LB 592 adds "personality disorder" to the definition of a mentally ill		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB593	Nordquist		Appropriate funds to the University of Nebraska to study current health data systems	Appropriations	3/3/2015		LB 593 Appropriates \$250,000 from the General Fund FY 2015-2016, to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska to fund the University of Nebraska Medical Center for a current study of Nebraska health data systems		[NACO Priority]
LB602	Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee		Change collection provisions relating to judges retirement fees	Judiciary	2/4/2015	General File w/AM308	LB 602 adds that Nebraska Retirement Fund for Judges fee goes from \$6 to \$8 and shall be taxed as costs in pretrial diversion in a criminal cause of action or traffic misdemeanor or infraction in such courts beginning October 1, 2015		Monitor
LB603	Bloomfield		Provide for processing and certification of federal firearms forms as prescribed	Judiciary	3/19/2015				Support
LB604	Bloomfield		Change provisions relating to reimbursement to political subdivisions under the Governor's Emergency Program	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs		Bloomfield MO26 Withdraw Bill Filed; Bill Withdrawn			Support

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB605	Mello		Change classification of penalties, punishments, probation and parole provisions, and provisions relating to criminal records and restitution and provide for a special legislative committee	Judiciary	2/20/2015		LB 605 is the first part of recommendations stemming from the CSG working group that was created at the end of last session		
LB606	Mello		Adopt the Office of Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System Act, change provisions relating to the Public Counsel, and mandate a declaration by the Governor of a correctional system overcrowding emergency as prescribed	Judiciary	2/20/2015				
LB609	Smith		Adopt the Nebraska Bridge Repair Act	Transportation & Telecommunications	3/9/2015		The bill creates a mechanism for priority of bridge repairs in Nebraska and to have broad representation in the prioritization. This is a high priority bill for many of the road users, contractors and others		Support

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB610	Smith		Change motor fuel excise taxes	Revenue	3/6/2015		This bill would increase the motor vehicle fuel excise tax by \$.015 over the course of a few years. The funding would go in part to cities, counties and the state. The state portion would go towards LB609 which creates a bridge bank and allows for the prioritization of bridge repair and replacement		
LB615	Kintner		Provide a property tax exemption for homesteads of certain persons	Revenue	2/12/2015		LB615 would require the frozen assessed value to be adjusted after any substantial improvements by the owner to the homestead		
LB623	Nordquist		Provide for issuance of motor vehicle operators' licenses and state ID cards to persons with lawful status	Transportation & Telecommunications	3/3/2015				Support
LB626	Campbell		Create a fund and change motor vehicle fees and taxes and their distribution	Transportation & Telecommunications	3/9/2015		Is intended to increase the registration fee for vehicles and move an amount into a Bridge Bank		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB630	Krist		Provide duties for the Nebraska State Patrol regarding criminal history record information checks	Judiciary	2/5/2015		LB states upon request for a criminal history record, the Nebraska State Patrol undertakes a search for criminal history record information of applicant to include fingerprint's of the applicant to the FBI for a national criminal history check		Monitor
LB631	Scheer		Change medicaid provisions relating to acceptance of and assent to federal law	Health and Human Services	3/18/2015		LB 631 states that the state shall accept the provisions of the Federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, public law 111-148		Monitor
LB633	Stinner		Appropriate funds for state aid to municipalities and counties	Appropriations	3/18/2015		Appropriates \$20,000,000 to counties and \$20,000,000 to cities for infrastructure projects		Support
LB639	Garrett		Provide authority for the Department of Roads to issue permits to control roadside vegetation as prescribed	Transportation & Telecommunications	3/3/2015		Department may require permits for the control of vegetation in the vicinity of advertising signs, displays or devices placed		

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LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB646	Kintner		Eliminate provisions for secret ballots for leadership under the Open Meetings Act	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/25/2015				
LB649	Kintner		Require all votes taken by public officials to be a public record as prescribed	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	2/25/2015		LB 649 states that all votes taken by public officials in the course of their public duties shall be considered public record.		
LB651	Bloomfield		Change liability for certain court costs as prescribed	Judiciary	2/5/2015	Indefinitely Postponed			
LB656	Speaker Hadley		Provide for deficit appropriations	Appropriations	2/23/2015				
LB657	Speaker Hadley		Appropriate funds for state government expenses	Appropriations	2/23/2015				
LB658	Speaker Hadley		Appropriate funds for salaries of members of the Legislature	Appropriations	2/23/2015				
LB659	Speaker Hadley		Appropriate funds for salaries of constitutional officers	Appropriations	2/23/2015				
LB660	Speaker Hadley		Appropriate funds for capital construction and property acquisition	Appropriations	2/23/2015				
LB661	Speaker Hadley		Provide fund transfers, create a fund, and authorize certain transfers	Appropriations	2/23/2015				
LB662	Speaker Hadley		Provide for transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund	Appropriations	2/23/2015				

LB/LR	Sponsor	Priority	One-Liner	Committee	Hearing Date	Status	Summary	LC Position	NACO Position
LB663	Speaker Hadley		Change the salaries of Supreme Court judges	Judiciary	2/4/2015		This bill raises the salary for the Chief Justice and judges of the Supreme Court in Nebraska by 2.25% on July 1, 2015 and by 2.40% on July 1, 2016		

Safety + Justice Challenge: RFP

MacArthur Foundation

OVERVIEW

America’s reliance on local jail incarceration has grown dramatically over the past three decades. Jail populations have more than tripled since the 1980s. So have cumulative expenditures related to building and running jails. There are now nearly 12 million admissions to local jails annually—almost 20 times the number of admissions to state and federal prisons.

Jails are where our nation’s incarceration problem begins. While the primary purpose of local jails is to detain those awaiting court proceedings who are a danger to public safety or a flight risk, they have come to hold many who are neither. Jails too often serve as warehouses for low-risk individuals too poor to post bail, or too sick for existing community resources to manage. Nearly 75 percent of both sentenced offenders and pretrial detainees are in jail for nonviolent traffic, property, drug, or public order offenses. And many in jail are held there far longer than necessary, due to crowded court dockets and chronic backlogs that delay timely case resolutions.

All this carries significant costs—to individuals, families, communities, and society at large. Just a few days in jail can damage health, degrade economic prospects, interrupt education and employment, jeopardize housing, break up families, increase the likelihood and severity of a sentence of incarceration, and even promote future criminal behavior—making jail a gateway to deeper and more lasting involvement in the criminal justice system. And research shows that all these impacts are disproportionately felt in low-income communities and communities of color.

The overuse of jails is a major driver and core component of over-incarceration that needs to be addressed directly. That’s why local policymakers interested in improving public safety, saving money, and promoting stronger, healthier communities are beginning to take a hard look at how their jails are used.

Fortunately, every community in America can safely reduce its use of local incarceration while reserving valuable jail resources for offenders who pose significant risk to public safety. Proven strategies include:

- Policing practices that limit unnecessary custodial arrests;
- Early screening and assignment of counsel;
- Pretrial detention decision-making that focuses on assessments of safety and flight risk, not ability to pay;
- Diversion options that hold offenders accountable without separating them from their jobs and families;
- Booking, arraignment, case screening, and processing procedures that shorten jail stays by reducing procedural delays; and
- Reentry practices that better prepare inmates for release and reintegration and serve to reduce reoffending.





SAFETY+JUSTICE CHALLENGE

To support the spread of these and other approaches, and to encourage innovation, the MacArthur Foundation is launching the Safety and Justice Challenge, an initial five-year, \$75 million investment in local reform, research, experimentation, and communications intended to create national demand for local justice reform as a means of reducing over-incarceration in America. Through the Safety and Justice Challenge, the Foundation will support a nationwide network of selected local jurisdictions committed to finding ways to safely reduce jail incarceration, with a particular focus on addressing disproportionate impact on low-income individuals and communities of color. With help from a consortium of national experts and technical assistance providers, participating sites will rigorously examine how their jails are being used; who is being held there, and what risks they pose to the community; what policies and practices have driven the growth of local jail populations; and what strategies will work to reduce the unnecessary use of jail without compromising public safety.

To advance our knowledge and understanding about the use of jail in America, and to document the experience of local jurisdictions that succeed in building safer, less costly, and more just criminal justice systems, the Foundation will complement the grants it makes to local jurisdictions with investments in research and data analytics. The Foundation will also invest in a robust communications campaign aimed at elevating jail overuse into an urgent national issue, and generating national demand for a more balanced set of approaches to crime and disorder that use incarceration only where necessary, and as part of a flexible range of effective alternatives.

THE COMPETITION

The Safety and Justice Challenge competition will unfold in two rounds.

Round 1: Planning (May-December 2015)

Up to twenty selected sites will receive a grant of \$150,000 to support an intensive six-month planning process, during which they will rigorously examine how their jails are being used and what strategies will reduce incarceration without compromising public safety. Each site will produce a plan for implementing these reforms.

Each site will be paired with an expert technical assistance partner. Four of the nation's leading criminal justice organizations will provide technical assistance to Safety and Justice Challenge sites—the Center for Court Innovation, the Justice Management Institute, Justice System Partners, and the Vera Institute of Justice. With the support of one of these technical assistance partners, teams from each site will work through a rigorous, fast-paced, data-driven planning process. Sites will be supported in a system mapping exercise to help them describe—using facts and data—how the jurisdiction's criminal justice system currently operates. From there, sites will consider the most promising ways to reduce unnecessary jail use without compromising public safety and, with the help of the technical assistance partner, develop an action plan for achieving reductions. The best implementation plans will set quantifiable impact targets, and chart a credible path for achieving them.





SAFETY + JUSTICE CHALLENGE

Throughout the planning period, participating sites will have meaningful opportunities to learn from experts and from one another as part of a robust Challenge Network. Delegations from all selected sites will be assembled twice, in-person, during the planning period. Sites will also be invited to attend virtual events, such as webinars with practitioners in other jurisdictions.

During the planning phase, participating sites will:

- Ensure key staff and agency leaders meaningfully participate in the process;
- Collect and share data among local partners and with the Foundation;
- Collaborate with a research team engaged by the Foundation to develop and track performance measures and inform an independent evaluation of the outcomes and impact of the initiative;
- Identify and agree on priority problems that contribute to the overreliance on jails, and look for achievable solutions that do not compromise public safety;
- Surface and address racial and ethnic disparities in the way jail is used, administered, and experienced; and
- Engage affirmatively with the larger goals of the Safety and Justice Challenge by participating in a communications campaign about the appropriate use of jail in America.

At the end of the planning phase, participating sites will have:

- Demonstrated engagement of local leaders in the planning process, including participation in key planning meetings, and ongoing commitment to the implementation process;
- Conducted a comprehensive analysis of interagency data to understand the drivers of jail population at each decision point;
- Committed to reducing the number of people in jail, tackling racial and ethnic fairness head-on, and tracking progress toward achieving those aims through data collection, performance measurement, and evaluation; and
- Developed a clearly articulated plan for system change, including a compelling logic about how incarceration will be reduced and a realistic implementation plan with measurable and time-sensitive goals, and assigned activities to responsible parties.

Selected jurisdictions will be required to attend a meeting on **May 27th and 28th, in Washington, D.C.** Grant funds will be applied to cover travel expenses for this meeting.

Round 2: Implementation (2016-2017)

As many as ten jurisdictions will be selected to receive funding to support implementation of the plans developed during Round 1. The Foundation aims to invest in those jurisdictions that:

1. Identify the most promising strategies for safely reducing overreliance on local jails;
2. Produce the most ambitious and credible plans for implementing those strategies; and
3. Demonstrate the availability of and willingness to share identifiable data.

Depending on the scope and ambition of the second round proposals, the Foundation expects to make implementation grants to each site that range from \$500,000 to \$2 million annually over two years, with an option to extend if substantial progress is made. Whether or not sites are selected to





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receive implementation funding, all Round 1 sites will receive funding to support their continued participation in the Challenge Network.

ELIGIBILITY

Any jurisdiction with governing authority over a local jail or jail system that has **at least 50 beds** is eligible to apply for grant funding through the Safety and Justice Challenge, including states, cities, counties, judicial districts, and tribes.

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit your application via the MacArthur Foundation's online platform at www.SafetyAndJustice.fluidreview.com by **8:00 p.m. CST on March 31, 2015**. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted. You may save your work and return to edit your application within the application window before submitting it for review; revisions to submitted applications cannot be accommodated. Applications must be submitted through the MacArthur Foundation online platform; emailed or mailed applications will not be considered. Should you experience any technical difficulties with the online application process, please email Support@fluidreview.com for technical assistance. Direct assistance will be available daily, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. CST.

TO LEARN MORE

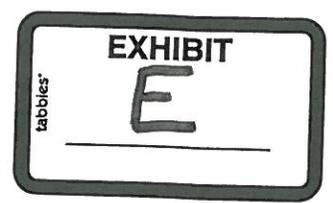
The Foundation will hold three (3) live webinars to confirm details about the competition and application process as well as answer questions. The content of these webinars will be identical. The webinars are scheduled as follows:

- Wednesday, February 25 from 11:30 – 12:30 CST
- Thursday, February 26 from 10:00 – 11:00 CST
- Tuesday, March 3 from 3:00 – 4:00 CST

Registration is required to participate in one of these sessions. To register, send an email to SafetyAndJustice@macfound.org and indicate which webinar you plan to attend.

Should you have any additional questions about the application, please send an email to SafetyAndJustice@macfound.org and we will do our best to respond promptly.





BJA Smart Supervision: Reducing Prison Populations, Saving Money, and Creating Safer Communities

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) is seeking applications for Smart Supervision: Reducing Prison Populations, Saving Money, and Creating Safer Communities. This program furthers the Department's mission by providing resources to states, units of local government, and federally recognized Indian tribes to develop and implement more effective and evidence-based probation and parole practices that effectively address individuals' needs and reduce recidivism.

The FY 2015 Smart Supervision Program (SSP) seeks to improve probation and parole success rates and reduce crime committed by those under probation and parole supervision, which would in turn reduce admissions to prisons and jails and save taxpayer dollars. Funds can be used either to implement evidence-based supervision strategies or to innovate new strategies to improve outcomes for supervisees.

Program-Specific Information

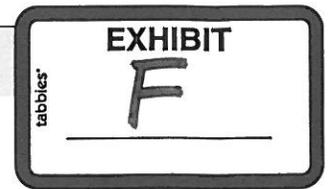
Goals, Objectives, and Deliverables

The goals of this program are to develop and test innovative strategies and to implement evidence-based probation and parole approaches that improve supervision success rates, thereby increasing community safety and reducing violent and other crime by effectively addressing individuals' risk and needs and reducing recidivism. The objectives of the Smart Supervision Program are to:

- Improve supervision strategies that will reduce recidivism.
- Promote and increase collaboration among agencies and officials who work in probation, parole, pretrial, law enforcement, treatment, reentry, and related community corrections fields.
- Develop and implement strategies for the identification, supervision, and treatment of "high-risk/high-needs" supervisees, including subsets of this population, which may serve as a model for other agencies throughout the nation.
- Develop and implement developmentally appropriate strategies for the identification, supervision, and treatment of young adult supervisees that may serve as a model for other agencies throughout the nation.
- Develop and implement strategies to identify and enroll uninsured supervisees into Medicaid, or other insurance through health exchanges, and to connect them to treatment and healthcare providers as appropriate.
- Objectively assess and/or evaluate the impact of innovative and evidence-based supervision and treatment strategies.

Lancaster County Department of Community Corrections

Calendar Year 2014



Year End Summary

- Diversion Services fully transitioned in January
 - Check restitution (bad check program)
 - Restitution accounts established and payout schedules adjusted.
 - Misd. and Felony Diversion Programming
 - STOP
- Department hired an account clerk
 - Began taking cash payments for any registration fees and programming.
- On Line STOP registration began in April
- SAMHSA/BJA Grant for \$800,000 awarded in September
 - Enhancing Adult Drug Court Programming
- STOP Class Online Learning option began October.

Pretrial Release

In Custody Screened:

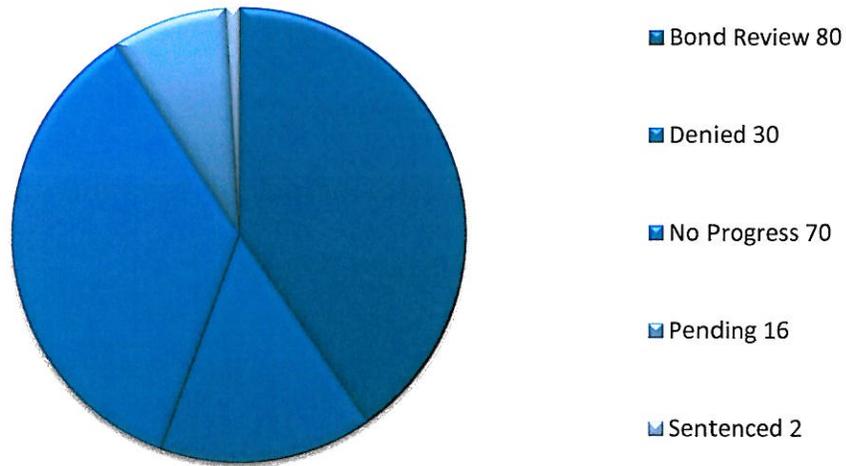


Figure 1: 198 defendants screened while in custody.

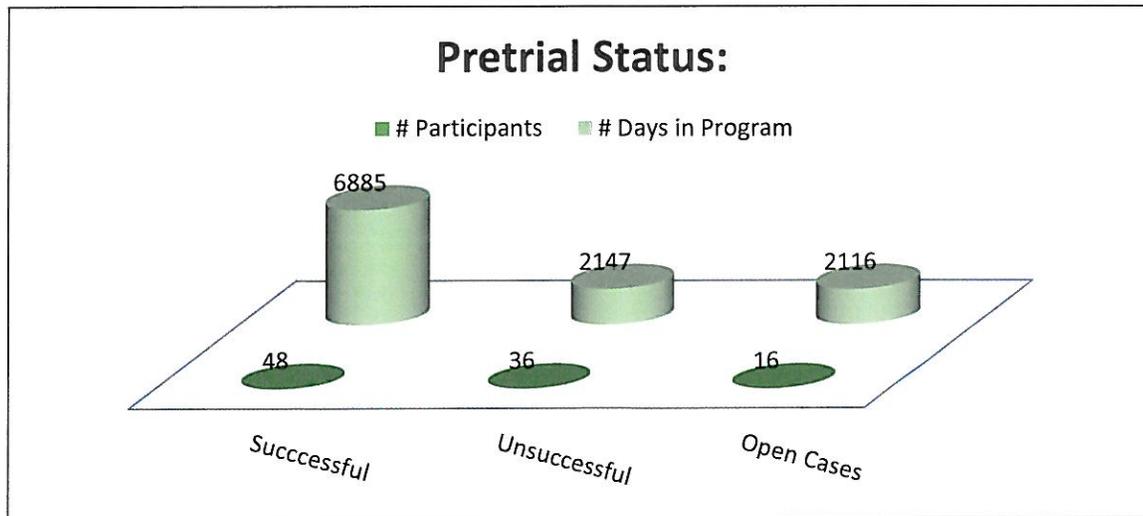


Figure 2: Total # participants =100; Total # days = 11,148

Calendar Year 2014

House Arrest

Days on House Arrest

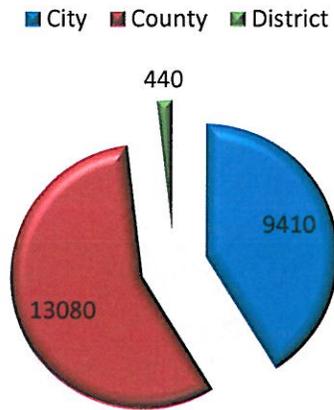


Figure 3: Total days on House Arrest = 22,930

MHJD

Mental Health Jail Diversion Participants

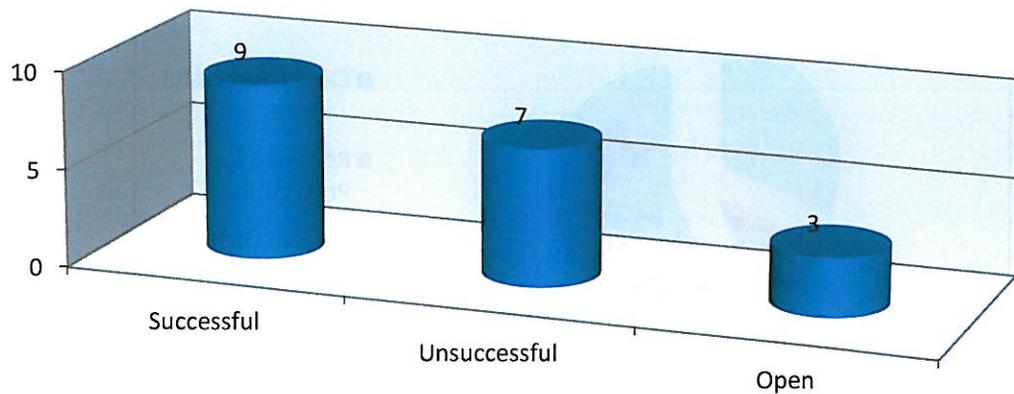


Figure 4: MHJD also assists with felony Pretrial participant with unmet mental health needs.

Diversion Services

Identified Eligible

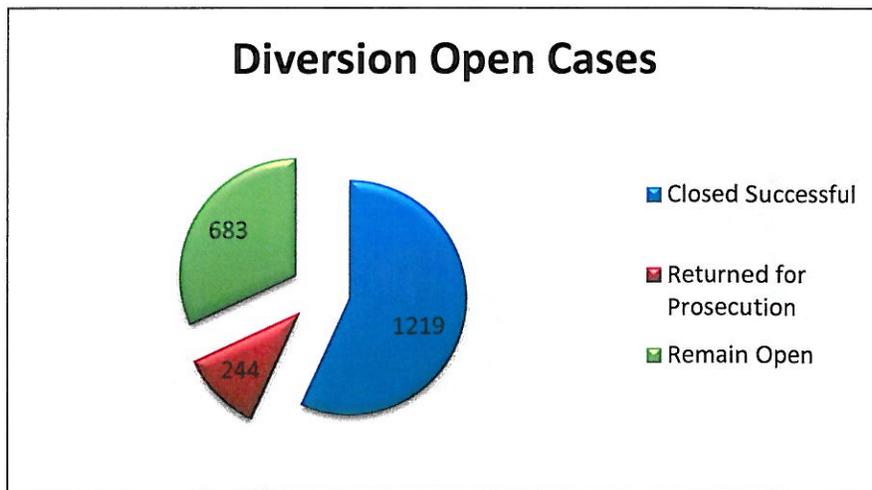
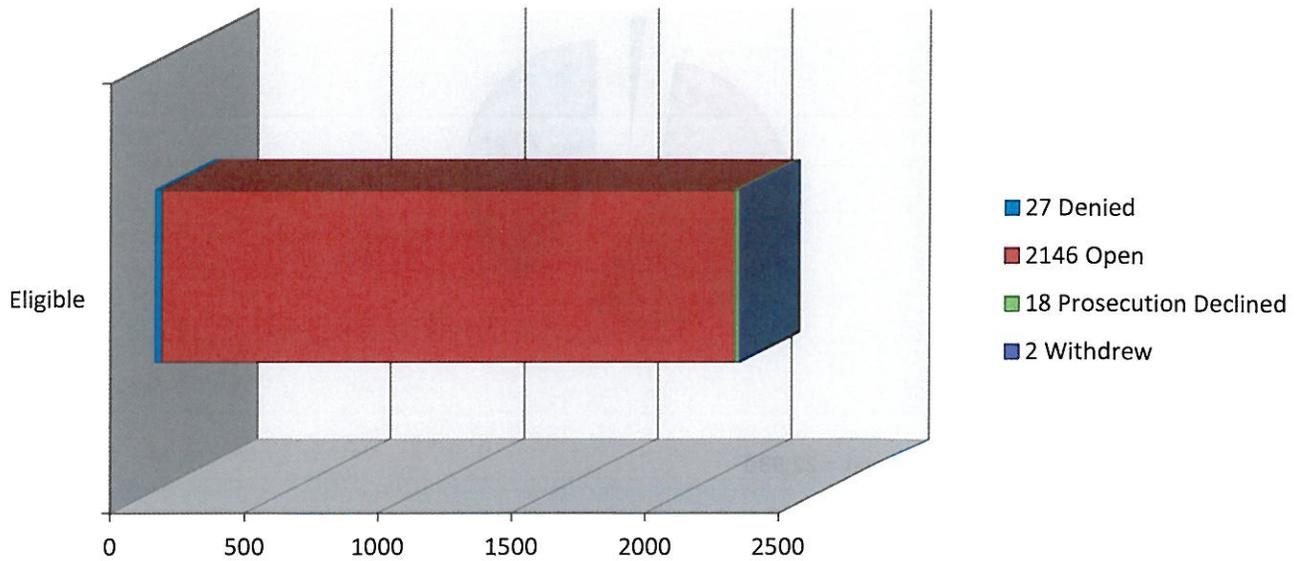


Figure 5: An additional 444 cases have been opened in 2015

STOP

- **2013** **7749 Registrations**
- **2014** **8393 Registrations**
 - **69% of registrations completed on-line**
 - **65% of registrations are taking class on-line**

Veterans Diversion

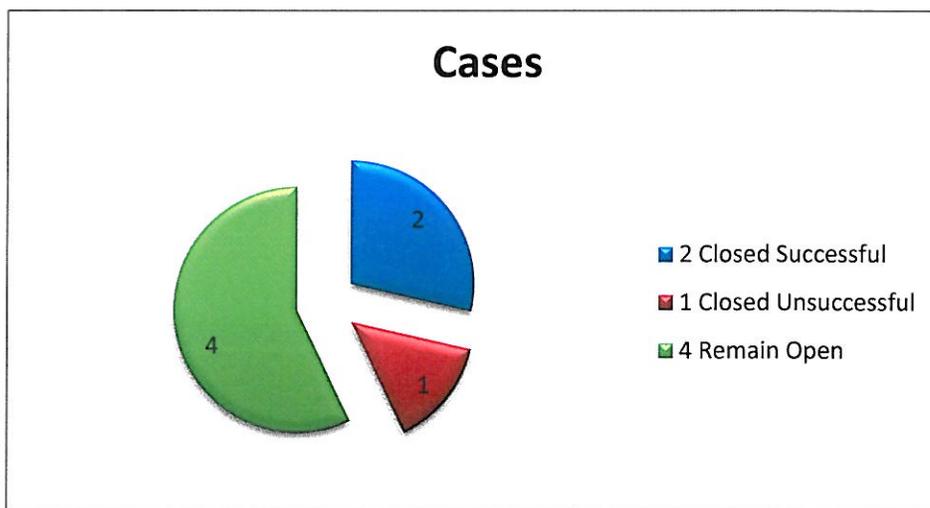


Figure 6: Over the past 18 months we have served 15 Veterans

We are working closely with the Veteran Justice Outreach Social Worker to identify any Veteran who may be eligible for the program.

Adult Drug Court

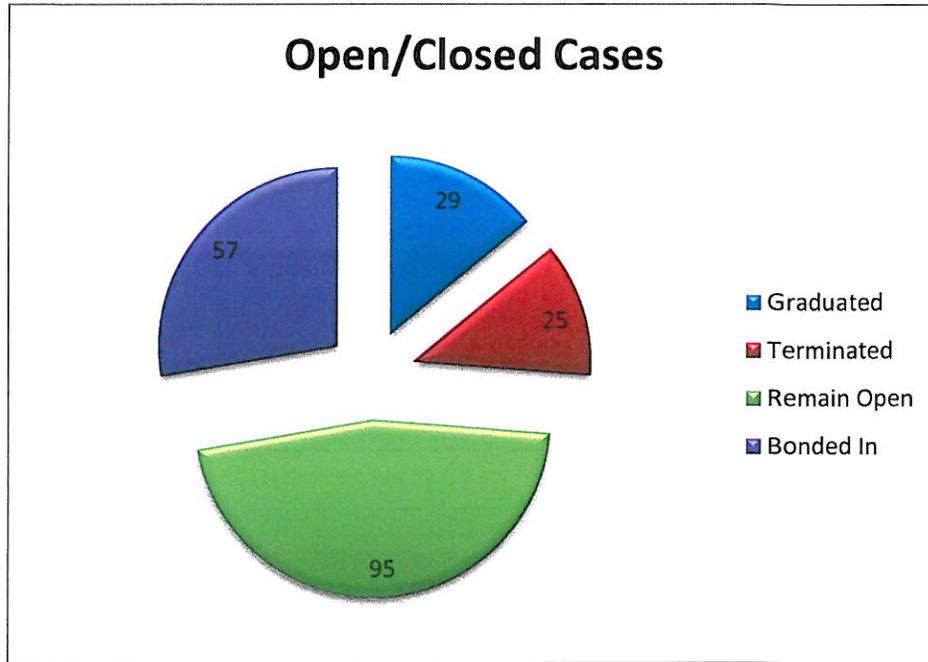


Figure 7: Because of timing issues with graduations, this 2014 number is an average of two years (2013& 2014).
Graduation Rate is 46%.

Agency Revenues
Fiscal Year 2013-2014

Check Collection Fee (from Vendor)	\$3,550.00
Community Service Monitoring Fee	\$1,840.00
Adult Drug Court Fees	\$31,670.00
House Arrest Fees	\$184,443.00
Pretrial Release Fees	\$2,330.00
Veterans Diversion Fees	\$5,790.00
STOP Administrative Fees	\$16,575.00
STOP Class Fees	\$160,000.00
State Reimbursements <small>This number is low, State behind on Matrix Pilot Project reimbursements</small>	\$207,179.00
Totals:	\$613,377.00



BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LANCASTER COUNTY, NEBRASKA

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE)
ISSUANCE OF HEALTHCARE REVENUE)
BONDS (TABITHA, INC. PROJECT), SERIES)
2015C, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL)
AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,500,000 FOR)
THE PURPOSE OF MAKING A LOAN TO)
TABITHA, INC., A NEBRASKA NONPROFIT)
CORPORATION, TO (A) FINANCE A)
PORTION OF THE COSTS OF ACQUIRING,)
CONSTRUCTING, FURNISHING AND)
EQUIPPING TWO 17-BED SKILLED)
NURSING FACILITIES IN CRETE,)
NEBRASKA, (B) IF NECESSARY, FUND A)
RESERVE ACCOUNT FOR THE BONDS,)
AND (C) PAY ALL OR PART OF THE COSTS)
OF ISSUING THE BONDS; MAKING)
FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS WITH)
RESPECT TO THE BONDS, INCLUDING)
THAT SAID BONDS SHALL NOT BE A)
LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY NOR A)
CHARGE AGAINST ITS GENERAL CREDIT)
OR TAXING POWERS; APPROVING THE)
PREPARATION, EXECUTION AND)
DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS IN)
CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF)
THE BONDS; AND RELATED MATTERS)

RESOLUTION NO. _____

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (THE "BOARD") OF THE
COUNTY OF LANCASTER, IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA (THE "COUNTY" OR
"ISSUER"):

ARTICLE I

LEGAL AUTHORIZATION; FINDINGS; LIMITED OBLIGATIONS

Section 1.01. Findings and Determinations. The Board hereby finds and determines as follows:

(a) The Issuer is a county, public corporation and body politic duly created and organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of Nebraska (the "State"). The Issuer is authorized by the Sections 13-1101 to 13-1110, inclusive, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended (the "Act"), to issue its revenue bonds for the purposes of financing or refinancing any project (as such term is defined in the Act), and to loan the proceeds thereof to a nonprofit enterprise.

(b) Tabitha, Inc. (the “**Borrower**”), a nonprofit corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the State, owns and operates healthcare facilities (the “**Facilities**”) located generally at 1405 Hickory Avenue in Crete, Nebraska and 47th and Randolph Streets in Lincoln, Nebraska and maintains its corporate headquarters and employs a majority of its employees within the boundaries of the Issuer. The Borrower has requested that the Issuer issue its Healthcare Revenue Bonds (Tabitha, Inc. Project), Series 2015C, dated the date of delivery thereof, in a principal amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 (the “**Bonds**”), and loan the proceeds thereof to the Borrower for all or some of the following purposes: (a) finance a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing, furnishing and equipping two new 17-bed skilled nursing facilities to be located at the northeast corner of 13th Street and Iris Avenue in Crete, Nebraska (the “**Project**”), (b) if necessary, establish a debt service reserve fund for the Bonds and (c) pay certain costs of issuance;

(c) Notice of a joint public hearing was published in the *Crete News* on February 18, 2015 and in the *Lincoln Journal-Star* on February 23, 2015 concerning the proposal by County to issue the Bonds in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and pursuant to such notice, a joint public hearing on the proposal to issue the Bonds on behalf of the Borrower has been conducted in the jurisdiction where the Project is to be located by the Board of Commissioners of Saline County, Nebraska, (the “**Saline County Board**”), on behalf of itself and the County, at the time and place specified in such notice and all persons who appeared were given an opportunity to express their views for or against the proposal to issue the Bonds. The Saline County Board adopted a resolution approving the issuance of the Bonds by the Issuer for the Project after hearing and considering all comments relating to the issuance of the Bonds. A general functional description of the type and use of the Project has been accurately described in such notice of hearing and is hereby approved; (2) the maximum face amount of the Bonds has been accurately described in such notice of hearing and is hereby approved; and (3) the initial owner, operator or manager of such facilities has been accurately described in such notice of hearing and is hereby approved.

(d) A reasonable relationship exists between the County and (a) the Borrower, given the Borrower’s operations within the County, and (b) the Project, given the Borrower’s administrative oversight of the Project from its Facilities located within the County.

(e) The Issuer has agreed to (a) issue the Bonds pursuant to a Trust Indenture (the “**Indenture**”) between the County and BOKF, National Association (the “**Trustee**”), (b) loan the proceeds thereof to the Borrower pursuant to a Loan Agreement (the “**Loan Agreement**”) between the Issuer and the Borrower, and (c) sell the Bonds to Ameritas Investment Corp. (the “**Underwriter**”) pursuant to a Bond Purchase Agreement (the “**Bond Purchase Agreement**”) among the Issuer, the Borrower and the Underwriter.

(f) The following documents have been prepared in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds and presented to the Issuer on this date (collectively, the “**Financing Documents**”), and each are in appropriate form and are appropriate instruments for the purposes intended:

- (1) The form of the Indenture;
- (2) The form of the Loan Agreement;
- (3) The form of the Bond Purchase Agreement;
- (4) The form of the Tax Compliance Agreement with respect to the Bonds (the “**Tax Agreement**”), among the Issuer, the Borrower and the Trustee, concerning compliance with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “**Code**”), and the applicable

regulations thereunder.

(5) The form of the Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the Bonds (the “**Preliminary Official Statement**”); and

(g) Based entirely in reliance upon representations made to it by the Borrower in the Financing Documents to which the Borrower is a party, which representations the Borrower shall be deemed to have affirmed and ratified upon its execution of the Financing Documents to which it is a party, the Issuer hereby finds and determines as follows:

(1) The Project is not and will not be operated for profit, but will be operated as a nonprofit enterprise to provide healthcare and medical facilities in order to care for and protect the health and public welfare;

(2) Paying the costs of the Project will enhance the ability of the Borrower to provide healthcare and services, and the Borrower expects to continue to operate the Project as an integral part of its overall operations for the foreseeable future;

(3) The Borrower is a private, nonprofit corporation and is authorized by law to provide and operate healthcare facilities in the State; and

(4) The issuance of the Bonds will carry out the purposes of the Act.

(h) The Bonds, when issued, will be special, limited revenue obligations of the County payable solely from payments made by the Borrower under the Loan Agreement and from certain other revenues pledged under the Indenture, and shall not constitute nor give rise to a pecuniary liability of the County or a charge against its general credit or taxing powers.

(i) The Bonds will not be a debt of any county, city, village or other political subdivision in the State, and none of the State, the County of Lancaster, Nebraska, or any county, city, village or other political subdivision in the State shall be liable on the Bonds. The Bonds shall not constitute a debt within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory debt limitation of the State.

(j) Pursuant to Section 13-1105 of the Act, the Issuer hereby determines that (1) the amount necessary to pay the principal of and the interest on the Bonds is not to exceed \$6,500,000; (2) no reserve fund, except as may be determined by the Borrower pursuant to Section 2.01 hereof, is advisable to be established in connection with the retirement of the Bonds and the maintenance of the Project including taxes.

ARTICLE II

AUTHORIZATION OF BONDS APPROVAL OF FINANCING DOCUMENTS

Section 2.01. Authorization of Bonds.

(a) For the purpose of making a loan to the Borrower to provide for the payment and redemption of the Refunded Bonds, to pay all or part of the costs of issuing the Bonds and, if determined necessary by the Borrower, fund a debt service reserve account for the Bonds, there are hereby authorized to be issued healthcare facilities revenue bonds of the Issuer in an aggregate principal amount not to

exceed Six Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$6,500,000), to be designated "The County of Lancaster, Nebraska Healthcare Revenue Bonds (Tabitha, Inc. Project), Series 2015C." The Bonds shall (1) be issued in fully registered form in the denominations, (2) bear such dates and interest rates, (3) mature and be payable as to principal or redemption price and interest at such place and in such form, (4) carry such registration privileges, (5) be subject to redemption, (6) be executed, (7) be in such form, and (8) contain such other terms, covenants and conditions as shall be set forth in the Indenture. Pursuant to the Bond Purchase Agreement, the Bonds shall be sold to the Underwriter at an underwriting discount not to exceed 1.0% of the principal amount of the Bonds. The Bonds shall not be issued or dated later than August 1, 2015.

(b) The Bonds shall be executed on behalf of the Issuer by the manual or facsimile signature of the Chair and attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Secretary, who are authorized to execute, seal, attest and deliver the Bonds on behalf of the Issuer. The Trustee shall manually authenticate each Bond. The following legend shall be plainly stated upon the face of each Bond: "**THIS BOND, INCLUDING THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST THEREON, SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE NOR GIVE RISE TO A PECUNIARY LIABILITY OF THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER, NEBRASKA, OR A CHARGE AGAINST ITS GENERAL CREDIT OR TAXING POWERS.**"

Section 2.02. Approval of Financing Documents. The form, terms, and provisions of each proposed Financing Document are, in all respects, hereby approved, authorized, ratified, and confirmed, and the Chair, Vice Chair and County Clerk are each separately and individually hereby authorized and directed to execute, acknowledge, and deliver each Financing Document, including counterparts thereof, in the name and on behalf of the Issuer. Each Financing Document shall be in substantially the form now before this meeting and hereby approved, subject to such changes therein as shall be approved by the officers of the Issuer executing the same, such execution thereof to constitute conclusive evidence of the Issuer's approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form of the Financing Documents now before this meeting. From and after the execution and delivery of the Financing Documents by the Issuer, the officers, agents and employees of the Issuer are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary to carry out and comply with the provisions of the Financing Documents.

Section 2.03. Consent to Use of Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement. The Issuer hereby consents to the use and distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement and a final Official Statement relating to the Bonds by the Underwriter. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer has not prepared or assisted in the preparation of the Preliminary Official Statement or the final Official Statement and, except for the information contained under the captions "THE ISSUER" and "LITIGATION - The Issuer," the Issuer disclaims any responsibility for the disclosures set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement or the final Official Statement or otherwise made in connection with the offer, sale and distribution of the Bonds.

Section 2.04. Authority To Execute and Deliver Additional Documents; Further Authorizations. The Chair, Vice Chair or County Clerk are each severally hereby authorized to execute and deliver for and on behalf of the Issuer any and all additional certificates, agreements, documents and other papers and to perform all other acts as the party signing may deem necessary or appropriate to implement and carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution, including the preamble hereto. The Chair, Vice Chair or County Clerk are each severally hereby authorized to determine, in conjunction with authorized representatives of the Borrower: (a) the respective date of each of the Financing Documents and the Bonds, (b) the aggregate principal amount of Bonds to be issued, not to exceed \$6,500,000, and the principal maturities thereof, (c) the interest rates for each maturity of the Bonds, which shall not result in a true interest cost for the Bonds in excess of 5.0% per annum, (d) the redemption provisions applicable

to the Bonds; provided, however, that the Bonds shall be redeemable at a redemption price not to exceed 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest on such principal amount to the date of redemption, and (e) the purchase price for the Bonds, which may take into account the Underwriter's discount, original issue discount and original issue premium, plus accrued interest.

ARTICLE III

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 3.01. Limitation of Rights. With the exception of any rights herein expressly conferred, nothing expressed or mentioned in or to be implied from this Resolution or the Bonds is intended or shall be construed to give to any person, other than the Issuer, the Underwriter and the Trustee, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or with respect to this Resolution or any covenants, conditions and provisions herein contained; this Resolution and all of the covenants, conditions and provisions hereof being intended to be and being for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Issuer, the Borrower, the Underwriter and the Trustee as herein provided.

Section 3.02. Severability. If any provision of this Resolution shall be held or deemed to be or shall, in fact, be illegal, inoperative or unenforceable, the same shall not affect any other provision or provisions herein contained or render the same invalid, inoperative or unenforceable to any extent whatsoever.

Section 3.03. Immunity of Officers. No recourse for the payment of any part of the principal or redemption price of or interest on the Bonds for the satisfaction of any liability arising from, founded upon or existing by reason of the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds shall be had against any official, officer, member or agent of the Issuer or the State, all such liability to be expressly released and waived as a condition of and as a part of the consideration for the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.

Section 3.04. Book-Entry Bonds. The Issuer recognizes that the Indenture provides that the Bonds will be held by The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") and that the beneficial owners of the Bonds will have evidence of their ownership interests in book-entry form only. In connection with such arrangement, the Chair, Vice Chair or Secretary are each separately and individually hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a Letter of Representations to DTC and to execute and deliver such other documents, certificates and letters as shall be necessary or appropriate in connection with such arrangement.

Section 3.05. Prior Resolutions. To the extent that the provisions of this Resolution conflict with provisions of prior resolutions, or parts thereof, the provisions of this Resolution shall control, to the extent of such conflicts.

Section 3.06. Captions. The captions or headings in this Resolution are for convenience only and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any provisions or sections of this Resolution.

Section 3.07. Validity of Bonds. Each Bond shall contain a recital that such Bond is issued pursuant to and under the Act, and such recital shall be conclusive evidence of its validity and of the regularity of its issuance.

Section 3.08. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage by the Board of Commissioners of the Issuer.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th of March, 2015 at the County-City Building, in the City of Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska.

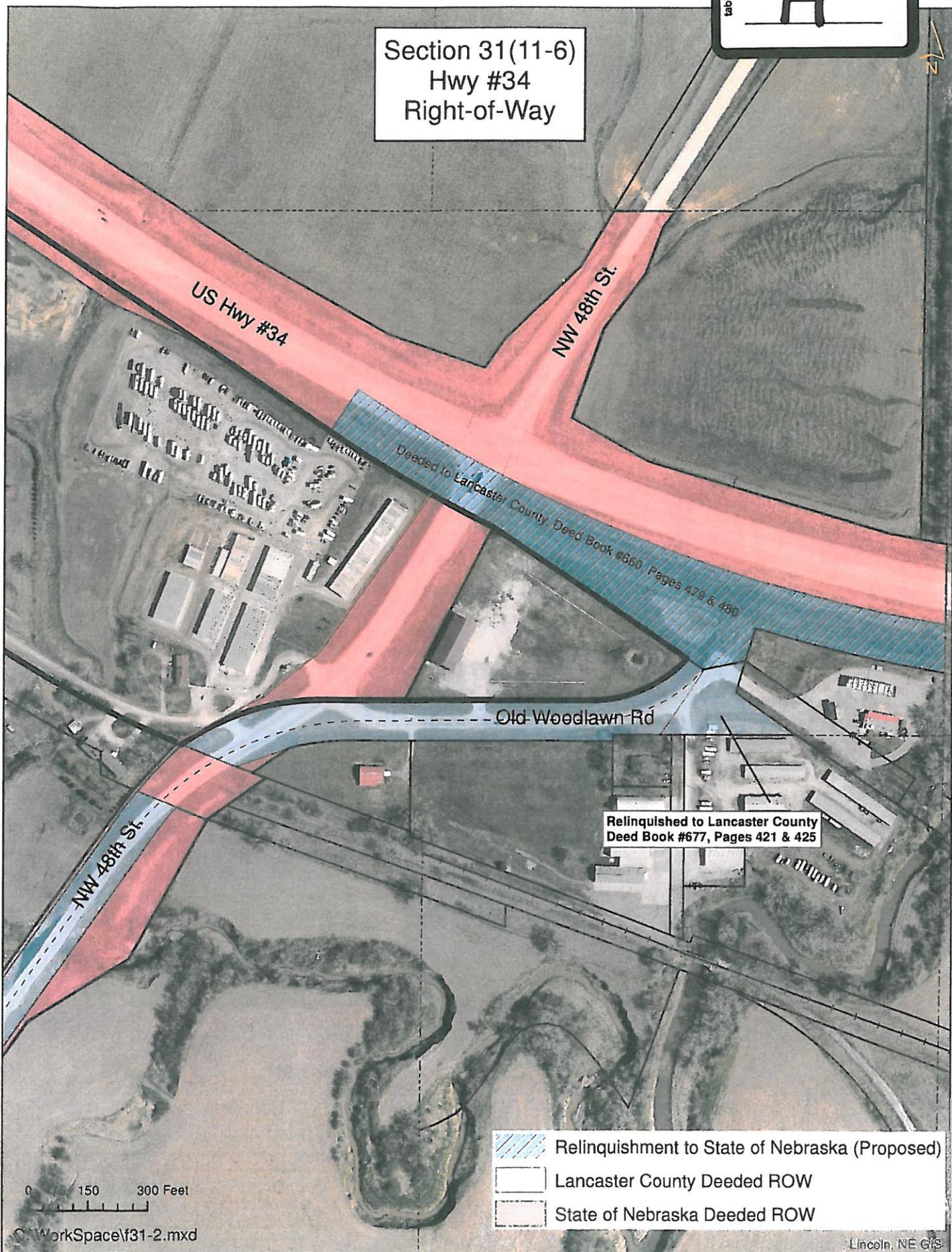
**BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER
COUNTY, NEBRASKA**

APPROVED AS TO FORM
this _____ day of March, 2015.

(Deputy) County Attorney

[SEAL]

Section 31(11-6)
Hwy #34
Right-of-Way

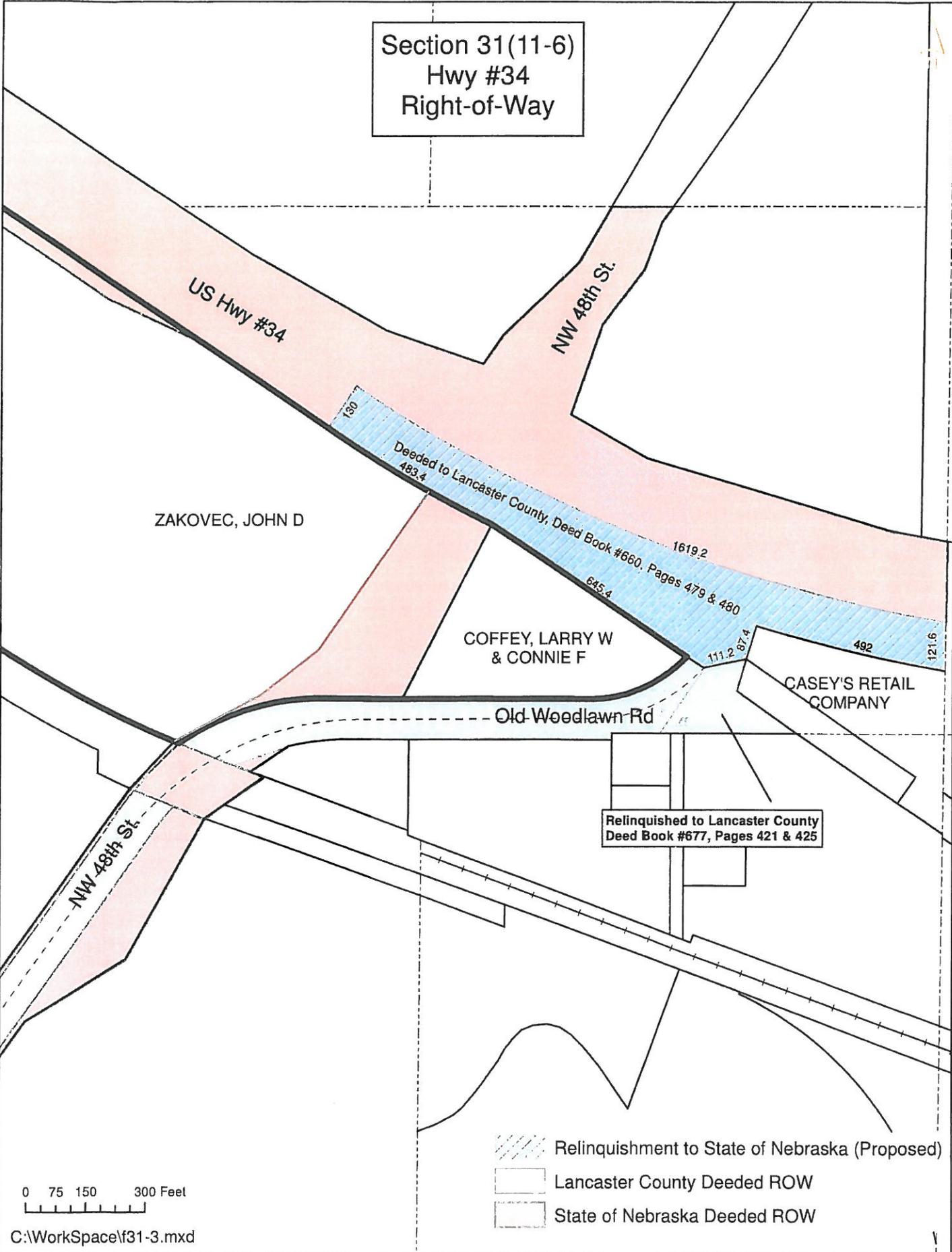


-  Relinquishment to State of Nebraska (Proposed)
-  Lancaster County Deeded ROW
-  State of Nebraska Deeded ROW

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Hwy #34
Right-of-Way



ZAKOVEC, JOHN D

COFFEY, LARRY W
& CONNIE F

CASEY'S RETAIL
COMPANY

Old Woodlawn Rd

Relinquished to Lancaster County
Deed Book #677, Pages 421 & 425

Deeded to Lancaster County, Deed Book #660, Pages 479 & 480

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WARRANTY DEED

R-RD-2 (3)

R-111b

Tract 1

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

THAT THAT Woodlawn Dairy of the County of Lancaster and State of Nebraska for and in consideration of the sum of - - - Nine Hundred Eighty-six and 10/100 - - (\$986.10) - - DOLLARS in hand paid do hereby grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm unto THE COUNTY OF LANCASTER the following described real estate situated in Lancaster County and State of Nebraska, to-wit:

A tract of land located in the Northeast Quarter of Section 31, Township 11 North, Range 6 East of the 6th P.M., Lancaster County, Nebraska, described as follows:



Referring to the east quarter corner of said Section 31; thence northerly on the East line of the Northeast Quarter of said Section 31 a distance of 159.7 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing northerly on said East line a distance of 121.6 feet; thence northwesterly on a 3,759.72 foot radius curve to the right (initial tangent of which forms an angle of 81 degrees 19 minutes left from said East line) a distance of 1,619.2 feet to a point on the northeasterly old highway right of way line; thence southwesterly 90 degrees 00 minutes left a distance of 130.0 feet to a point on the southwesterly old highway right of way line; thence southeasterly on a 3,839.72 foot radius curve to the left (initial tangent of which forms an angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes left from the last described course) a distance of 483.4 feet to a point on said southwesterly old highway right of way line; thence continuing southeasterly on said old highway right of way line, said old highway right of way line forming an angle of 07 degrees 07 minutes right from the final tangent of the last described curve a distance of 645.4 feet; thence easterly 45 degrees 59 minutes left a distance of 111.2 feet; thence northerly 61 degrees 42 minutes left a distance of 87.4 feet; thence easterly on a 3,479.72 foot radius curve to the left (initial tangent of which forms an angle of 90 degrees 00 minutes right from the last described course) a distance of 492.0 feet to the point of beginning, containing 5.86 acres, more or less, which includes 2.40 acres, more or less, previously occupied as a public highway, the remaining 3.46 acres, more or less, being the additional acreage hereby secured.

There will be no ingress or egress over the above described tract of land onto the remainder of said Northeast Quarter.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the premises together with all the Tenements, Hereditaments and Appurtenances thereunto belonging, unto the said The County of Lancaster and to its successors and assigns forever.

And it does hereby covenant with the said Grantee and with its successors and assigns that it is lawfully seized of said premises; that they are free from encumbrance

that it has good right and lawful authority to sell the same; and it does hereby covenant to warrant and defend the title of said premises against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

And the said Woodlawn Dairy hereby relinquishes all its right of every name and kind in and to the above described premises.

Signed this 15th day of Jan A.D. 1963.

In Presence of

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WOODLAWN DAIRY

By

Raketa Ferguson

STATE OF Nebraska)
) ss.
Lancaster County)

On this 15 day of January, A. D., 1963,
before me, the undersigned Harold J. Carpenter
a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified for and residing in
said County, personally came Robert L. Ferguson,
President of Woodlawn Dairy

to me known to be the identical person whose name is

affixed to the foregoing instrument as grantor and acknowledged the
same to be his voluntary act and deed,

WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal the day and year last
above written.

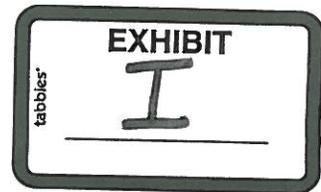


Harold J. Carpenter Notary Public

My commission expires the 2nd day of December, 1963.

RECEIVED
JAN 16 1963
R.O.M. DIVISION

Handwritten notes and signatures:
- Worcester and
- Worcester and
- County of Lancaster
- Harold J. Carpenter
- Robert L. Ferguson
- 325 3rd St. Road



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Looking EAST
From NW 48 + Hwy 34
Corner

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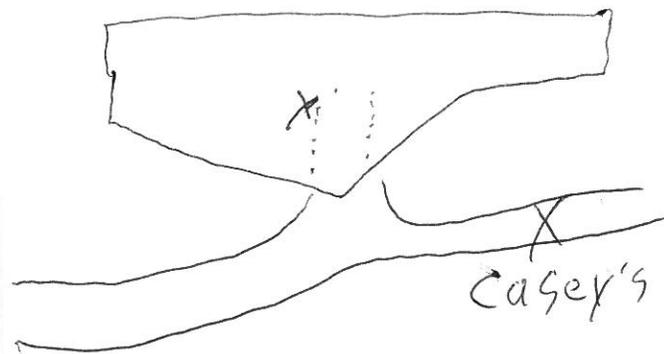
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Location of Culvert 24"
w/ snow brushed aside
that can not drain. ③

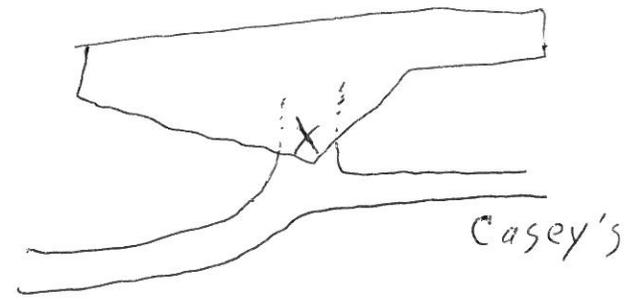




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Entrance to said
app. 4 Acres Looking North
off Old WoodLawn road



Note 5 warning signs

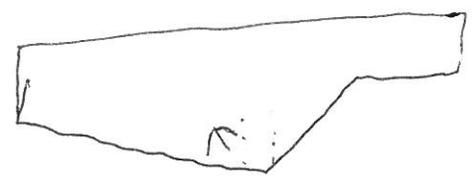
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Looking NW from
Entrance of 5 warning signs



Note Low area caused
by plugged culvert

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Vacation
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COFFEY, LARRY W

CASEY'S RETAIL
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Old Woodlawn Road

KLABENES, CURTIS J
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CUSTOM PALLET
MAKERS INC

N.W. 42ND ST

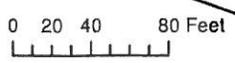
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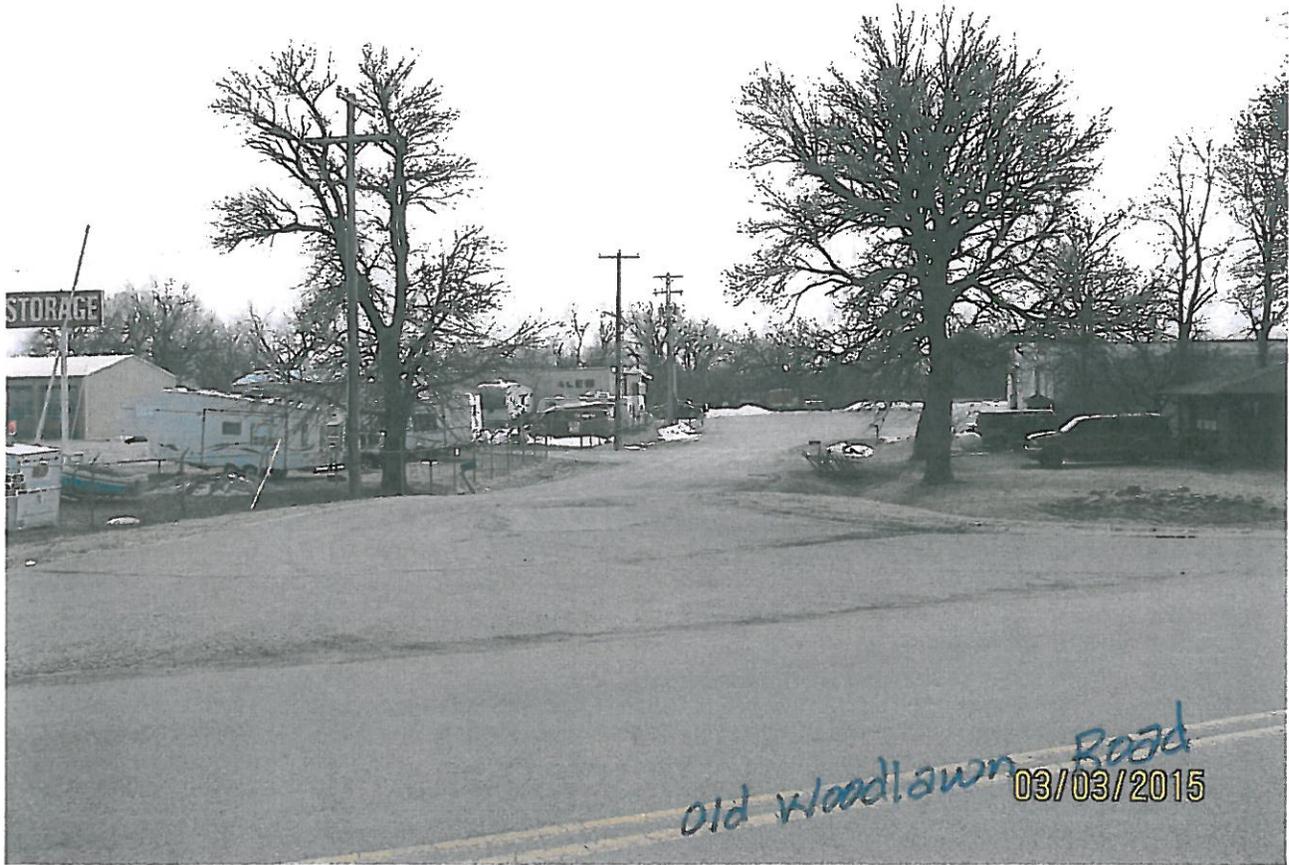
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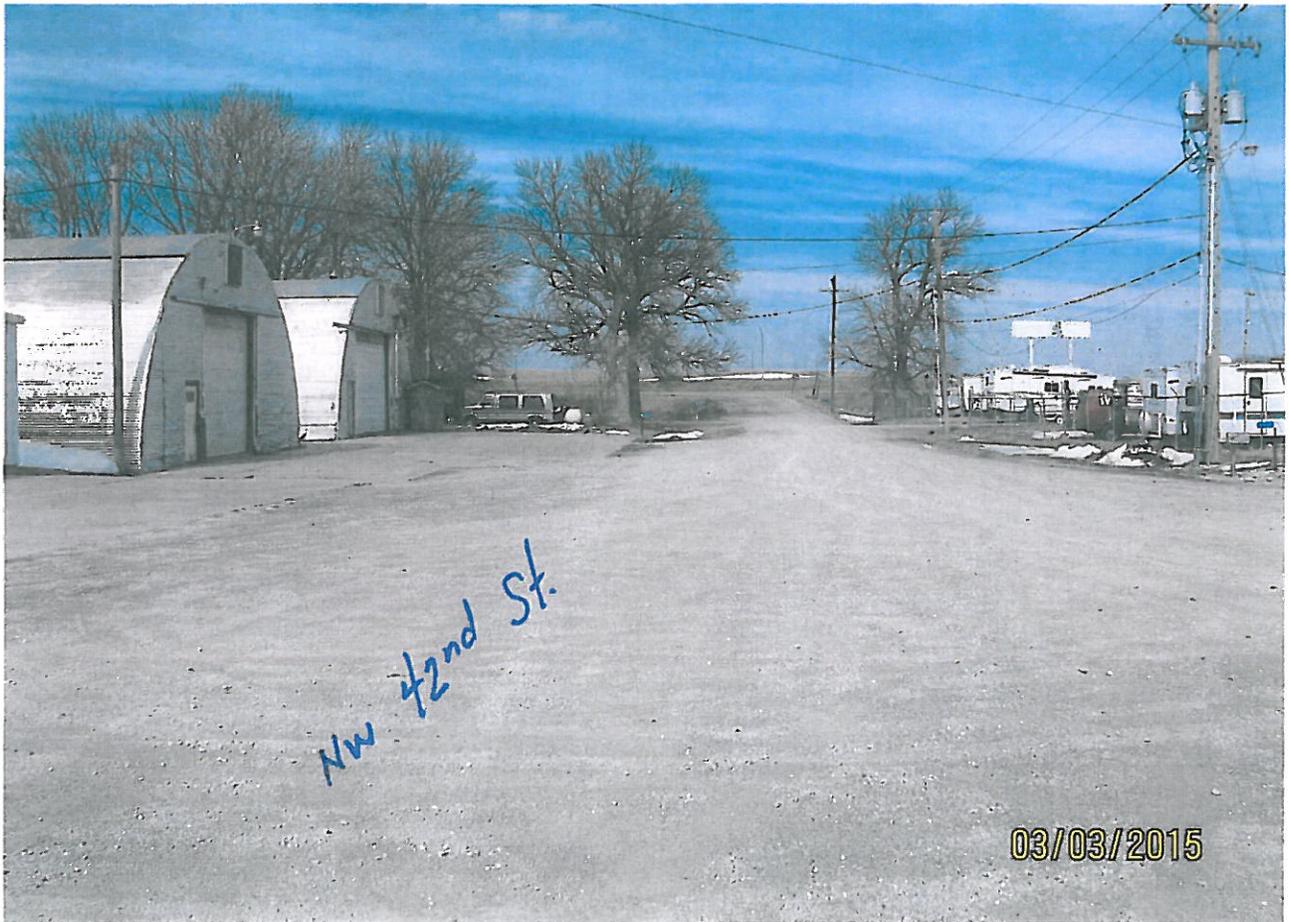
Area of Proposed
Vacation

RAILROAD





NORTH



NORTH

