

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 388

Introduced by Wishart, 27.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine what funding and appropriations are necessary to address the parking shortage for state employees and members of the public in the State Capitol environs and provide possible funding solutions to eliminate such shortage.

The citizens and employees of the State of Nebraska are keenly aware of the shortage of parking available in the area around the State Capitol. A parking study was completed in 2019 by the Department of Administrative Services, which identified issues that should be addressed in the determination of possible solutions to the parking problems in the State Capitol environs. Previously, issues and potential solutions were laid out in the Department of Administrative Services' Capital Campus Area 20-Year Master Plan, which was completed in 2017.

Since 2019, the number of state employees working in the State Capitol environs has increased and parking remains an issue for both employees as well as members of the public. This study shall also look into the effects that the ongoing heating, ventilation, and air conditioning project at the State Capitol has on the availability of parking as well as the potential impact of future projects in the surrounding areas. There also exists the possibility for a partnership with the city of Lincoln or private entities to address the shortage of available parking.

The committee shall examine the extent of the parking shortage for state employees and members of the public, provide possible solutions to eliminate such shortage, provide an update on the proposed changes in the 2019 Department of Administrative Services study, discuss a possible partnership with the city of Lincoln to address this issue, and examine the potential for cost savings

through deployment of state-owned office space within the State Capitol environs.

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

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

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.