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Introduction

Nebraska has some 231 statutorily created boards, commissions, and other similar entities (hereinafter, collectively referred to as boards). Among the many tasks assigned to them, boards provide oversight of governmental programs, regulate licensed professionals, carry out studies, oversee implementation of new programs, advocate for certain constituencies, and advise state agencies.

In 1997, the Executive Board of the Legislative Council requested that the Legislative Research Office compile and annually update a list of statutorily created boards. This publication contains that list. The list does not purposefully include (1) boards created by executive order, by agency rule or regulation, or pursuant to federal mandates, unless enacted via state statute; (2) commissions or councils created pursuant to interstate compacts; or (3) boards created via state statute but which serve local governments.

Legislative Action Affecting Boards and Commissions

In 2007, the Legislature created six new boards, eliminated three, and renamed six. Five of the renamed boards occurred as part of the massive recodification of state law relating to the credentialing of health professionals.

New Boards

Hepatitis C Education and Prevention Task Force (LB 144).

This task force was created to develop a comprehensive plan to address the increasing epidemic of hepatitis C in Nebraska. The 18-member board includes the chair of the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee or designee and another member of the Legislature appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council. The remaining members are appointed by the Governor and must include: a disease prevention and health promotion administrator; the state hepatitis coordinator; a state surveillance officer; a behavioral health specialist; a medical provider; a representative of the State Department of Education; a representative of the Department of Veterans' Affairs; a representative of a public health association; a representative of a rural health association; a registered nurse licensed to practice in Nebraska; a primary care physician licensed to practice in Nebraska; a pharmacist licensed to practice in Nebraska; a primary care nurse practitioner licensed to practice in Nebraska; a physician assistant licensed to practice in Nebraska; a laboratory professional; and a Nebraska resident with hepatitis C. The task force receives expenses but no other compensation for its work. A report on its activities and recommendations

is due on or before December 31, 2007 to the Governor and the Health and Human Services Committee.

Perfusionist Committee (LB 236). This committee was created to review and make recommendations to the Board of Medicine and Surgery on all matters pertaining to the practice of perfusion that come before the board. A perfusionist is a medical professional trained in the science of diverting patients' blood through a cardio-pulmonary bypass machine or similar device that assumes the functions of the patient's organs. LB 236 requires that persons practicing perfusion must be licensed. The committee members are appointed by the State Board of Health and must include two perfusionists and a physician with clinical experience with perfusionists. Members receive expenses and a per diem not to exceed \$50 for each day actually engaged in the discharge of their duties pertaining to the Perfusionist Committee.

Special Education Services Task Force (LB 316). This task force was created to scrutinize special education services. The Legislature's Education Committee chairperson serves as chair of the committee, whose membership also includes two other members of the Legislature, one who is a member of the Education Committee and one who is not. The other members include, a parent of a child receiving special education services in a private setting; two parents of children receiving special education services in a school district; two educational service unit special education teachers; one public school special education teacher; one special education director from a public school or educational service unit; a private school principal or director; one school board member; a special education expert from the State Department of Education; a representative of the State Department of Health and Human Services who has expertise in the placement of state wards; and a representative of a private provider of special education services. The task force is authorized to hold public hearings and to make recommendations for policies and potential legislation by the end 2007.

Children's Behavioral Health Task Force (LB 542). This task force was created to prepare a comprehensive children's behavioral health plan for juveniles using public behavioral health services. The plan must be submitted to the Governor and the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee by December 4, 2007. The task force membership is composed of the chairs of the Legislature's Health and Human Services and Appropriations committees, a member of the Behavioral Health Oversight Commission, two providers of community-based behavioral health services to children, one regional administrator, two representatives of organizations advocating on behalf of consumers of children's behavioral

health services, a juvenile court judge, two representatives from the Department of Health and Human Services, and the administrator of the Office of Juvenile Services. The task force will also oversee implementation of the plan it recommends until June 30, 2010, when the task force is to submit a recommendation to the Governor and the Legislature as to whether the task force should continue in existence.

Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council (LB 603). This council was created to provide statewide coordination for educational service units in order to achieve the most cost-effective services for students, teachers, and school districts. The council's duties include preparing strategic plans to assure cost-efficient and equitable delivery of services across the state; administering statewide initiatives and provision of statewide services; and coordinating distance education. The council also replaces the Distance Education Council, which is disbanded via LB 603. The coordinating council's membership is composed of one administrator from each of the state's educational service units.

Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force (LB 701). This task force was created to assess the growth of unwanted and invasive vegetation clogging the state's rivers and to oversee plans to remove it. The task force's first priority are river basins deemed by the Department of Natural Resources to be fully or over-appropriated, specifically the Republican and Platte river basins. The members of the task force include one surface water project representative from each river determined to be fully or over-appropriated; one representative each from the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Natural Resources, the office of the Governor, the office of the State Forester, the Game and Parks Commission, and the University of Nebraska; two representatives nominated by the Nebraska Association of Resources Districts; two representatives nominated by the Nebraska Weed Control Association; and one riparian landowner from each of the state's congressional districts. Additionally, any member of the Legislature's Natural Resources Committee can serve at his or her option. The task force is to make preliminary recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by December 15, 2007, and each year thereafter, with a final report due June 30, 2009, when the task force terminates.

Repealed Boards

- ***Work Group to Develop Recommendations for the Training of Youth Service Workers (LB 296)***
- ***Nebraska Industrial Competitiveness Alliance (LB 388)***
- ***Distance Education Council (LB 603)***

Actions Affecting Existing Boards

This annual publication does not track every change made to existing boards. However, significant changes (for example, changes affecting a board's structure, function, funding, or termination date) are briefly noted below.

Board of Inquiry and Review (LB 296). This board is renamed the Veterans' Home Board. It is also given additional duties pertaining to the approval of persons for admission into the state's veterans' homes.

Economic Development Commission (LB 388). The Governor is required to appoint members to this commission from private industry sectors. Previously, the Governor was to "consider persons with backgrounds" in certain designated areas for appointment. Additionally, one of the two members appointed from the manufacturing sector must be from a company with no more than 75 employees. Further, "financial services" is added to the description of the representative from the insurance industry and representatives from the fields of biotechnology and information technology and communications are added to the membership.

Nebraska Brand Committee (LB 422). The Secretary of State, who was formerly chair of this committee, is instead named a non-voting, ex officio member – along with the Director of Agriculture. The gubernatorially appointed membership is increased from four to five, with at least three members being active cattlemen and at least one being an active cattle feeder.

Board of Cosmetologists (LB 463). This board is renamed the Board of Cosmetology, Electrology, Esthetics, Nail Technology, and Body Art.

Board of Registration for Environmental Health Specialists (LB 463). This board is renamed the Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialists.

Board of Examiners in Nursing Home Administration (LB 463). This board is renamed the Board of Nursing Home Administration.

Medical Radiographer Advisory Committee (LB 463). This board is renamed the Board of Medical Radiography.

Board of Psychologists (LB 463). This board is renamed the Board of Psychology.

Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board (LB 661). The membership of this board is changed by eliminating one representative from the telecommunications industry and adding a representative from the general public.

Nebraska Boards and Commissions Tables

The following tables list statutorily created boards and commissions. The first table lists those boards created during the 2007 legislative session and the second table provides, it is hoped, a comprehensive list of all of Nebraska's boards as charted by this report. For reference, termination dates refer to the termination date listed in statute for that particular board; however, terminated boards and commissions continue to be listed until they are actually removed from statute.

Nebraska Boards and Commissions Created by the Legislature in 2007

Board/Commission	Bill Number	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses	Per Diem
1. Hepatitis C Education and Prevention Task Force	LB 144	71-546		12/31/07	Y	N
2. Perfusionist Committee	LB 236	71-1,401			Y	\$50
3. Special Education Services Task Force	LB 316	79-11,151		12/31/07	Y	N
4. Children's Behavioral Health Task Force	LB 542	43-4001		6/30/10	Y	N
5. Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council	LB 603	79-1245			N	N
6. Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force	LB 701	2-967		6/30/09	Y	N

TABLE 2

Nebraska Boards and Commissions

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
1.	Abstracters Board of Examiners	76-540			Y	\$50
2.	Accountability and Disclosure Commission, Nebraska	49-14, 105	✓		Y	\$50
3.	Accreditation Committee, State (Department of Education)	79-703			N	
4.	Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Board of	71-17,134			Y	\$30
5.	Advisory Council, State (Department of Labor)	48-610			Y	Y ³
6.	Aeronautics Commission, Nebraska	3-104			Y	
7.	Affirmative Action Committee	81-1363			Y	
8.	Affordable Housing Committee, Nebraska	81-1281			N	
9.	Aging Advisory Committee	68-1101			Y	
10.	Agricultural Opportunities and Value-Added Partnership Act, Committee to Carry Out the Purposes of	2-5423		1/1/11	N	
11.	Airline Authority, Nebraska State	3-804	✓		Y	Y ⁴
12.	Alcohol and Drug Counseling, Board of	71-112(q)			Y	\$30
13.	Anatomical Board, State	71-1001			N	
14.	Appraisers for Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	72-224.03			Y	\$50
15.	Aquaculture Board	2-5003			Y	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
16.	Arts Council, Nebraska	82-309	✓		Y	
17.	Athletic Advisory Committee	81-8, 139.01			Y	
18.	Athletic Training, Board of	71-112(b)			Y	\$30
19.	Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, Board of	71-112(j)			Y	\$30
20.	Barber Examiners, Board of	71-221			Y	\$75
21.	Beginning Farmer Board	77-5204	✓		Y	
22.	Behavioral Health Oversight Commission of the Legislature	71-818	✓ ⁵	6/30/08	Y	
23.	Biopower Steering Committee	66-1701		12/31/08	Y	
24.	Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for the	71-8604	✓		Y	\$70
25.	Boiler Safety Code Advisory Board	48-739	✓		Y	\$50
26.	Brand Committee, Nebraska	54-191			Y	
27.	Breast and Cervical Cancer Advisory Committee	71-7012			Y	
28.	Broadband Services Task Force	86-599		12/1/06	N	
29.	Building Renewal, Task Force for (LB 309 Task Force)	81-174			Y	Y ⁶
30.	Canvassers, Board of State	32-1037			N	
31.	Capital Facilities Planning Committee, State Comprehensive	81-1108.41			N	
32.	Capitol Commission, Nebraska	81-1108.32			Y	
33.	Capitol Environs Commission, Nebraska State	90-306			N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
34.	Carbon Sequestration Advisory Committee	2-5302			Y	
35.	Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board, Nebraska	43-1903	✓		Y	
36.	Child Death Review Team	71-3406			Y	
37.	Child Support Advisory Commission	43-3342.05			Y	
38.	Children's Behavioral Health Task Force	43-4001		6/30/10	Y	
39.	Chiropractic, Board of	71-112(d)			Y	\$30
40.	Claims Board, State	81-8, 220			Y	
41.	Climate Assessment Response Committee	2-4901	✓		Y	
42.	Collection Agency Licensing Board	45-603			Y	
43.	Community College Aid, Grant, and Contract Review Committee, Nebraska	85-1539			N	
44.	Community Corrections Council	47-622	✓ ⁷		Y	
45.	Community Development Block Grant Program Advisory Committee	81-1201.08			N	
46.	Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act, State Board to Administer	13-2603			N	
47.	Conveyance Advisory Committee	48-2503			Y	
48.	Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education	85-1403; Const. Art. VII, sec. 14	✓		Y	
49.	Corn Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-3604			Y	\$25
50.	Cosmetology Examiners, Board of	71-373			Y	\$50

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
51.	County Attorney Standards Advisory Council	23-1213			Y	
52.	County Highway and City Street Superintendents, Board of Examiners for	39-2304			Y	
53.	Crime Victim's Reparations Committee	81-1802	✓		Y	
54.	Critical Incident Stress Management Council	71-7105			N	
55.	Dairy Industry Development Board, Nebraska	2-3951			Y	
56.	Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Commission for the	71-4720	✓		Y	
57.	Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Special Committee for the Commission of the	71-4728.03			N	
58.	Dentistry, Board of	71-112(e)			Y	\$30
59.	Developmental Disabilities, Advisory Committee on	83-1212.01			Y	
60.	Developmental Disabilities, Workgroup on Special Services	83-1216		12/1/04	N	
61.	Dispute Resolution, Advisory Council on	25-2905			Y	
62.	Donor Registry of Nebraska Advisory Board	71-4823			N	
63.	Dry Bean Commission	2-3745			Y	
64.	Early Childhood Education Endowment Board of Trustees	79-1104.03			Y	
65.	Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council	43-3401			Y	
66.	Economic Development Commission	81-1201.02			Y	
67.	Economic Forecasting Advisory Board, Nebraska	77-27, 156			Y	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
68.	Education, State Board of	79-301; Const. Art. VII, sec. 3			Y	
69.	Educational Finance Authority, Nebraska	85-1710			Y	
70.	Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	72-201	✓		Y	\$40
71.	Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council	79-1245			N	
72.	Educational Technology Consortium, State	79-1301			N	
73.	Educational Telecommunications Commission, Nebraska	79-1313	✓		Y	
74.	Electrical Board, State	81-2103	✓		Y	
75.	Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority, Nebraska	79-1810			Y	
76.	Emergency Medical Services, Board of	71-5176	✓		Y	
77.	Emergency Response Commission, State	81-15,210	✓		Y	
78.	Engineers and Architects, Board of	81-3428			Y	\$60
79.	Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board	86-461			Y	
80.	Environmental Health Specialists, Board of Registered	71-3705.01			Y	\$25
81.	Environmental Quality Council	81-1503	✓		Y	\$40
82.	Environmental Quality, Technical Advisory Committee to the Department of	81-15, 189		3/1/02	Y	
83.	Environmental Trust Board, Nebraska	81-15, 170	✓		Y	
84.	Equal Opportunity Commission, Nebraska	48-1116			Y	\$50

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
85.	Ethanol Board, Advisory Committee to the ⁸	66-1337			N	
86.	Ethanol Board, Nebraska	66-1335	✓		Y	\$25
87.	Families With Special Housing Needs, Advisory Committee on	68-1605			N	
88.	Fire Safety Appeals Board, Nebraska	81-502.01			Y	
89.	Foster Care Review Board	43-1302	✓		Y	
90.	Funeral Directing and Embalming, Board of	71-112(l)			Y	\$30
91.	Game and Parks Commission	37-101	✓		Y	\$35
92.	Geographic Information System Steering Committee	86-570			Y	
93.	Geologists, Board of	81-3520			Y	Y ⁹
94.	Governor's Residence Advisory Commission	72-2101			Y	
95.	Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-4002			Y	
96.	Grape and Winery Board, Nebraska	53-301			Y	
97.	Greenbelt Advisory Committee	77-1355			Y	
98.	Hall of Fame Commission, Nebraska	72-724			N	
99.	Health Advisory Board, (Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles)	60-4,118.02			Y	
100.	Health Care Council, Nebraska	71-7614	✓		Y	
101.	Health Professions, Technical Advisory Committee for the Regulation of	71-6224			Y	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
102.	Health, State Board of	71-2601	✓		Y	\$20
103.	Hearing Aid Instrument Dispensers and Fitters, Board of	71-4715			Y	\$25
104.	Hepatitis C Education and Prevention Task Force	71-546		12/31/07	Y	
105.	Highway Commission, State	39-1101	✓		Y	\$20
106.	Historical Society Board of Trustees, Nebraska State	82-101			Y	
107.	Homeland Security Policy Group	81-830			N	
108.	Housing Advisory Committee to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund	58-704			N	
109.	Indian Affairs, Commission on	81-2501			Y	\$50
110.	Indigent Defense Standards Advisory Council	29-3932			Y	
111.	Industrial Relations, Commission of	48-803	✓		Y	\$250
112.	Information Technology Commission, Nebraska	86-515	✓		Y	
113.	Information Technology Commission, Technology Review Panel for the Nebraska	86-521			N	
114.	Interagency Management Committee (to the Critical Incident Stress Management Committee)	71-7106			N	
115.	Intergovernmental Data Communications Advisory Council	86-539			Y	
116.	Interpreter Review Board	71-4728.05			Y	
117.	Interrelated Water Review Board ¹⁰	46-719			N	
118.	Invest Nebraska Board	77-5508			N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
119.	Investment Council, Nebraska	72-1237	✓		Y	\$75
120.	Investment Finance Authority, Nebraska (NIFA)	58-226			Y	
121.	Jail Standards Board	83-4,124			Y	
122.	Judicial Branch Education Advisory Committee	24-205.01			N	
123.	Judicial Nominating Commission ¹¹	24-801; Const. Art. V, sec. 21			N	
124.	Judicial Qualifications Commission	24-715			Y	
125.	Judicial Resources Commission	24-1201			Y	
126.	Juvenile Justice, Nebraska Coalition for	43-2411			Y	
127.	Land Surveyors, Board of Examiners for	81-8,110			Y	
128.	Landscape Architects, State Board of	81-8, 186			Y	
129.	Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, Nebraska Commission on	81-1416			Y	
130.	Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission, Nebraska	81-8,307		12/31/07	Y	
131.	Library Commission, Nebraska	51-401			Y	
132.	Liquor Control Commission, Nebraska	53-105	✓		Y	
133.	Livestock Auction Market Board	54-1160			Y ¹²	\$50
134.	Massage Therapy, Board of	71-112(g)			Y	\$30
135.	Medicaid Reform Council	68-948		6/30/10	Y	
136.	Medical Nutrition Therapy, Board of	71-112(k)			Y	\$30

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137.	Medical Radiography, Board of	71-3512			Y	
138.	Medical Review Panel	44-2841			Y	\$50
139.	Medicine and Surgery, Board of	71-112(a)			Y	\$30
140.	Mental Health Practice, Board of	71-112(p)			Y	\$30
141.	Mental Health Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-814			Y	
142.	Mexican-Americans, Commission on	81-8,262			Y	\$35
143.	Motor Fuel Trust Fund, Committee to Oversee the	66-737			N	
144.	Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board	60-1402	✓		Y	\$50
145.	Natural Resources Commission, Nebraska	2-1504	✓ ¹³		Y	\$50
146.	Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission	81-12,123		12/31/10	Y	
147.	Niobrara Council	72-2007			Y	
148.	Nursing Board, Nebraska Center for	71-1799		7/1/10	Y	
149.	Nursing, Board of	71-1,132.07			Y	\$100
150.	Nursing Home Administration, Board of	71-6065			Y	\$30
151.	Nursing Home Advisory Council	71-6044			Y	
152.	Occupational Therapy Practice, Board of	71-6115			Y	
153.	Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Nebraska	57-904	✓		Y	\$50
154.	Optometry, Board of	71-112(f)			Y	\$30
155.	Pardons, Board of	83-1,126			N	
156.	Parole, Board of	83-188	✓		N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
157.	Peer Review and Quality Assurance Panel (Department of Correctional Services)	83-4,164			N	
158.	Perfusionist Committee	71-1,401			Y	\$50
159.	Personnel Board, State	81-1318	✓		N	
160.	Pharmacy, Board of	71-112(i)			Y	\$30
161.	Physical Therapy, Board of	71-112(h)			Y	\$30
162.	Physician Assistant Committee	71-1,107.25			Y	
163.	Podiatry, Board of	71-112(m)			Y	\$30
164.	Police Standards Advisory Council, Nebraska	81-1406			Y	
165.	Potato Development Committee, Nebraska	2-1803			Y	
166.	Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization, and Marketing Committee, Nebraska	2-3404			Y	\$25
167.	Power Review Board, Nebraska	70-1003	✓		Y	\$60
168.	Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Advisory Committee	81-15,245			Y	
169.	Private Postsecondary Career Schools Advisory Council	85-1607			N	
170.	Private Postsecondary Career Schools Tuition Recovery Cash Fund Advisory Committee	85-1655			N	
171.	Problem Gambling and Addiction Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-816			Y	
172.	Professional Practices Commission	79-861			Y	
173.	Propane Education and Research Council	66-1617			N	

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174.	Psychology, Board of	71-112(n)			Y	\$30
175.	Public Accountancy, Educational Advisory Committee to the Board of	1-113			N	
176.	Public Accountancy, Nebraska State Board of	1-107			Y	\$100
177.	Public Advocacy, Commission on	29-3923			Y	
178.	Public Employees Retirement Board	84-1501	✓		Y	\$50
179.	Public Health Clinic Formulary Advisory Committee	71-1, 147.59			N	
180.	Public Roads Classifications and Standards, Board of	39-2106	✓		Y	\$20 ¹⁴
181.	Public Service Commission	Ne. Const., Art. IV, sec. 20			N	
182.	Public Water Supply, Advisory Council on	71-5311			Y	
183.	Quality Jobs Board	77-4908			N	
184.	Quarter Design Committee, Nebraska State	90-120			Y	
185.	Racial Profiling Advisory Committee	20-506			N	
186.	Racing Commission, State	2-1201	✓		Y	
187.	Railway Council, Nebraska	74-1413	✓		Y	\$60
188.	Real Estate Commission, State	81-885.07			Y	\$100 ¹⁵
189.	Real Property Appraiser Board	76-2222			Y	\$100
190.	Redevelopment Board, Nebraska	58-503			N	
191.	Regional Interoperability Advisory Board	86-418.01		1/1/09	Y	

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192.	Residual Malpractice Insurance Authority (Department of Insurance)	44-2837			N	
193.	Respiratory Care Practice, Board of	71-112(c)			Y	\$30
194.	Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force	2-967		6/30/09	Y	
195.	Rural Development Commission	81-3601			Y	
196.	Rural Health Advisory Commission	71-5654	✓		Y	
197.	Safety Center Advisory Council, Nebraska	85-1008			N	
198.	Sex Offender Treatment and Management Services, Working Group to Study	71-1228		12/1/06	N	
199.	School Districts, State Committee for the Reorganization of	79-435			Y	
200.	Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel	81-1505.3			Y	
201.	Small Employer Health Reinsurance Board, Nebraska	44-5261			N	
202.	Special Education Services Task Force	79-11,151		12/31/07	Y	
203.	State Colleges, Board of Trustees of Nebraska	85-301	✓		Y	
204.	State Fair Board, Nebraska	2-101	✓ ¹⁶		N	
205.	State Records Board	84-1204			Y	
206.	Substance Abuse Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-815			Y	
207.	Suggestion Award Board	81-1348			Y	
208.	Tax Equalization and Review Commission	Const. Art. IX, sec. 2877-5003	✓		Y	

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209.	Tax Policy Reform Commission	77-6002		12/31/07	Y	
210.	Teacher Education and Certification Advisory Committee	79-808			Y	
211.	Teen Tobacco Education and Prevention Project Committee	71-5715		2004 ¹⁷	Y	
212.	Telecommunications Relay System Act, Special Advisory Committee to Administer the	86-315			N	
213.	Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Advisory Board	86-327			N	
214.	Transit and Rail Advisory Council, Nebraska	74-1504	✓	6/30/05	Y	
215.	Trauma Advisory Board, State	71-8236			Y	
216.	University of Nebraska Board of Regents	85-103 Const. Art. VI, sec 10			Y	
217.	Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee	72-812			N	
218.	Veterans' Advisory Commission	80-401.06			Y	
219.	Veterans Cemetery Advisory Board, Nebraska	12-1301			Y	
220.	Veterans' Homes Board	80-318			Y	
221.	Veterinary Medicine and Surgery, Board of	71-112(o)			Y	\$30
222.	Vocational Education, State Board of ¹⁸	79-321			Y	
223.	Vote Nebraska Initiative	32-1701		12/31/04	Y	
224.	Water Policy Task Force	46-2,132		12/31/09	N	

Board/Commission		Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems ²
225.	Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Board	46-1217			Y	
226.	Wheat Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board, Nebraska	2-2302			Y	
227.	Women, Nebraska Commission on the Status of	81-8,255			N	
228.	Women's Health Initiative Advisory Council	71-702		12/31/09	Y	
229.	Worker Training Board, Nebraska	48-622.03			N	
230.	Workforce Investment Board, Nebraska	48-1623			N	
231.	Wyuka Cemetery Board of Trustees	12-101			N	

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Endnotes

¹ A "Y" in this column indicates that a provision authorizing expenses exists in the statute creating the board or commission; an "N" indicates the enacting statute makes no mention of allowing expenses. However, Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 81-1178 provides that "Any member of any state commission, council, committee, or board which has been created by statute shall be entitled to be reimbursed for expenses in the same manner as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177 for state employees whether or not specific reference is made to such sections."

² Unless otherwise noted, per diems listed are the maximum allowable in statute for that particular board. Since some statutes indicate that the permissible per diem is "at least" or "up to", the actual per diem paid to a given board member could be less than that listed. As per Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 71-112, the professional boards in the various health-related fields receive expenses as well as a per diem not to exceed \$30. Additionally, the per diem and expenses cannot be greater than "is received in fees from the applicants taking the examination in any particular profession." Each individual board sets its own per diem within those parameters. Additionally, these boards may set per diems and pay the expenses up to this rate for any subcommittees they create.

³ The State Advisory Council members are paid a fee, set by the Commissioner of Labor, for each day of active service .

⁴ The Nebraska State Airline Authority members “shall receive a per diem as the Governor shall determine.” However, this authority disbanded after overseeing an intra-state air service study issued in 1990 and has not been re-appointed.

⁵ Confirmation is required by a majority of the Legislature’s Health and Human Services Committee members.

⁶ Compensation for the Task Force for Building Renewal members is “established by the Governor on a per diem basis. . . .”

⁷ Legislative confirmation is required for the seven members who are gubernatorial appointees.

⁸ The advisory committee is an ad hoc, informal entity comprised of representatives from the University of Nebraska, the Department of Economic Development, the Department of Agriculture, and the State Energy Office that provides counsel to the Ethanol Board on an as needed basis, according to Todd Sneller, executive director of the Ethanol Board.

⁹ LB 1161 states, “Each member of the board shall receive as compensation the same per diem and travel expenses as other state employees for each day actually spent in traveling to and from and while attending sessions of the board and its committees or authorized meetings of the National Association of State Boards of Geology, or their subdivisions or committees, and all necessary expenses incident to the performance of his or her duties under the Geologists Regulation Act as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.”

¹⁰ “The board, when appointed and convened, shall continue in existence only until it has resolved a dispute referred to it pursuant [to statute].” Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 46-719(1a).

¹¹ There are actually 33 commissions of nine members each representing the various judicial districts and courts within the state.

¹² The Livestock Auction Market Board is a three-person board with one appointed member, who receives expenses.

¹³ The Legislature confirms the three gubernatorial appointees to the 16-member commission.

¹⁴ The three lay members of the board are the only members to receive a per diem, which is set at the same rate as that paid to the members of the State Highway Commission.

¹⁵ The chairman of the Real Estate Commission is the Secretary of State, who does not receive a per diem.

¹⁶ Four of the 11 members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature.

¹⁷ The committee is no longer awarding grants and exists only statutorily while the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education Commission continues to administer the remaining multiple-year grants. See, Laws 2003, LB 574.

¹⁸ Membership is comprised of the State Board of Education.