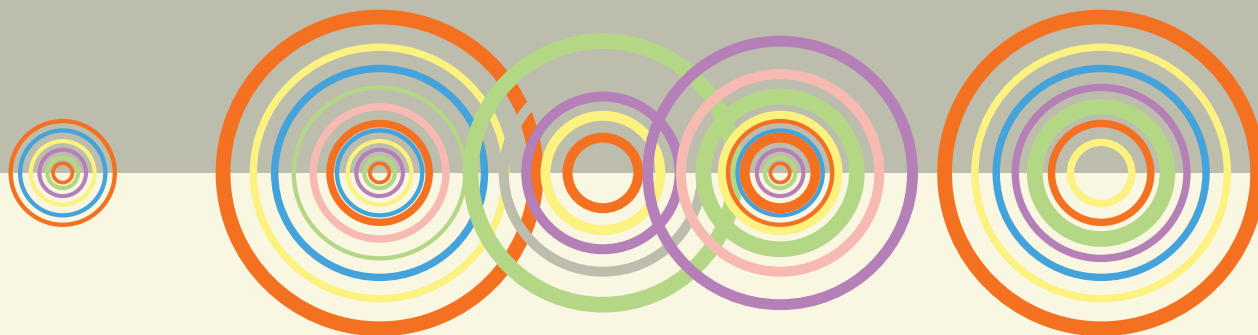


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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



AGENDA

- **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**
 - End of session and status on bills
 - Interim studies
- **FEDERAL UPDATE**
 - Reconciliation
 - LIHEAP
 - Tariffs
 - FEMA

» **STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

STATS OF THE 109TH LEGISLATURE, 1ST SESSION

Commenced January 8th
Adjourned Sine Die June 2nd

- 204 bills passed
- 113 more bills amended into those that have or will soon become law
- OPPD took a position on 15 bills, monitored over 100 bills



715

Legislative
Bills
Introduced

18

Constitutional
Amendments
Introduced

1,600

Amendments
drafted

845

Fiscal Notes
requested

STATE LEGISLATURE

BILLS OF INTEREST TO OPPD

- Maintained OPPD's authorities and abilities on pole attachments and easements (**LB311**)
- Defended our interests for our Arbor Rail Line (**LB175** and **LB398**)
- Achieved exemptions and protections for the purchase of drones (**LB660**)
- Defended against expanded jurisdiction of the Power Review Board and other legislation on foreign adversary protections (**LB43** and **LB644**)
- Advocated for public power on nameplate capacity taxes (**LB468**)
- Helped develop and mitigate issues on crypto mining operations (**LB526**)

CARRY OVER BILLS OF INTEREST

- **LB 413 – Clouse – Change provisions relating to the setting of rates by certain power districts; OPPD position of support**
- **LB 489 – Brandt – Prohibit certain entities from operating, maintaining, constructing or acquiring transmission lines and related facilities; OPPD testified in support**
- **LB 546 – Rountree – Change provisions relating to proclamations for disasters, emergencies and civil defense emergencies made by the Governor; OPPD testified in support**

CARRY OVER BILLS OF INTEREST

- **LB 349 – Prokop - Change provisions relating to applications, notices, filings, exemptions, and violations regarding the construction or acquisition of certain electric energy storage resources by electric suppliers; OPPD testified in opposition**
- **LB 503 – Bosn - Authorize the designation of American energy friendly counties and change provisions relating to privately developed renewable energy generation facilities and the nameplate capacity tax; OPPD testified in opposition**
- **LB 571 – J. Cavanaugh - Require cost-of-living adjustments for retirees for any public power district that operates a defined benefits program; OPPD testified in opposition**

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INTERIM STUDIES OF INTEREST

- **LR 159 – Brandt - Examine how the nameplate capacity tax affects the development, operation, and long-term viability of privately developed renewable energy generation facilities located in Nebraska, Referred to Natural Resources Committee**
- **LR 192 – Sanders - Investigate public notice requirements in Nebraska, including those mandated under the Open Meetings Act and the Administrative Procedure Act, Referred to Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee**
- **LR 223 – Brandt - Examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Natural Resources Committee, Referred to Natural Resources Committee**
- **LR 225 – Dungan - Examine the need and implementation of a Green Amendment and the implications of adopting LR22CA, 2025, Referred to Natural Resources Committee**

STATE LEGISLATURE

INTERIM STUDIES OF INTEREST

- **LR 233 – Quick - Examine issues relating to state agency guidance documents, rules and regulations,** Referred to Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee
- **LR 234 – Storm - Examine the impact of the net-zero plans and goals of public power utilities,** Referred to Natural Resources Committee
- **LR 250 – Andersen - Examine whether power companies should be exempt from the Secure Drone Purchasing Act,** Referred to Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee
- **LR 257 – Bostar - Examine foreign and domestic threats to Nebraska agriculture,** Referred to Agriculture Committee
- **LR 260 – Dover - Determine the return on investment per kilowatt hour for businesses that choose to locate and set up their businesses in Nebraska,** Referred to Revenue Committee



FEDERAL UPDATE

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- **Reconciliation**

- Tax exempt financing repeal under consideration - \$250-300 billion
 - House Financial Services Committee Chair's letter
 - Rep. Bacon Dear Colleague
 - OPPD/NPPD/LES letter to our Congressional Delegation
- Border Adjustment Tax (BAT) - \$250 billion
- IRA/IIJA

- **LIHEAP Funding**

- **Tariffs – Mexico, Canada and China**

- **FEMA**