

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 520

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PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to gather information about the developing problems that law enforcement is encountering since the State of Colorado legalized the sale and recreational use of marijuana. This study shall include, but not be limited to, the following issues:

(1) The steps that local law enforcement and the State of Nebraska can take to mitigate the problems associated with the drug;

(2) An assessment of the adequacy of law enforcement in Nebraska counties that border Colorado;

(3) A determination of the need to increase the presence of the Nebraska State Patrol in Nebraska counties that border Colorado;

(4) An evaluation of how affected counties can deal with the increased costs to the judicial system; and

(5) Whether current fines and penalties are adequate, or if Nebraska should consider more significant and effective deterrents to the illegal transportation of marijuana into Nebraska.

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

1. That the Judiciary 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.