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Category	Document	Primary Introducer	Status on April 26, 2017	Description	Suggested WVNE Position	
Good Government (GG)						
GG	LB34	Ebke	Sent to Governor 4/24	Change filing requirements for partisan candidates	Monitor	
GG	LB75	Wayne	Sent to Governor 4/24	Provide for restoration of voting rights upon completion of a felony sentence or probation for a felony	Support	
GG	LB76	Wayne	Hearing 3/1/17	Require notice for Secretary of State regarding completion of felony sentence for purposes of voting	Support	
GG	LB85	Blood	Approvead by Gov. 3/29/17	Require satisfaction of fees/fines to file for office	Monitor	
GG	LB111	Hansen	Hearing 3/17	Non Partisan elections for county offices	Monitor	
GG	LB112	Hansen	Hearing 3/9	Permit registered voters moving within Nebraska without reregistering to vote provisionally	Support	
GG	LB139	Crawford	Hearing 3/17	Chanve to non partisan election of county officers	Monitor	
GG	LB163	Vargas	Hearing 3/16	Require additional polling places prior to elections in certain counties	Support	
GG	LB183	Hughes	Hearing 3/17	Change nomination and election provision for county officers	Monitor	
GG	LB197	Kolowski	Hearing 3/9	Provide for electronic application for any early voting ballot	Support	
GG	LB216	Harr	Hearing 1/30	Adopt the Redistricting Act	Support	
GG	LB252	Crawford	Hearing 3/3	Change independent expenditure reporting requirements and require electioneering reporting	Support	
GG	LB277	Wayne	Hearing 3/15	Change populations requirements for election precincts	Monitor	
GG	LB290	Vargas	Hearing 3/9	Provide for voter registration upon application for driver/s license, state identification card, or certain benefits	Support	
GG	LB314	Murante	Hearing 3/1	Change state & municipal election provisions to confirm to prior legislation	Monitor	
GG	LB316	Murante	Hearing 3/15	Change election provisions relating to technology and funding	Monitor	
GG	LR422	Murante	Hearing 3/23	Change provisions of the Election Act	Monitor	
GG	LB451	Murante	4/26 Placed on Select File ER80	Change various provisions relating to elections as prescribed	Monitor	
GG	LB483	Hilgers	3/1 Placed on General File	Change Rules of Procedure exemption for the Public Service Commission	Monitor	
GG	LB619	Wayne	Hearing 3/15	Permit certain counties to conduct elections by mail	Support	
GG	LB644	Murante	4/21 Placed on General File w/AM1111	Change provisions re: governing boards, commissions and similar entities	Monitor	
GG	LB653	Murante	Hearing 2/13	Adopt the Redistricting Act	Oppose	

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GG	LB654	Murante	Hearing 2/13	Automatic Dialing announcing to jurisdiction of NADC	Monitor	
GG	LR1CA	Murante	4/21 Placed on General File	Constitutional amendment to require voter identification	Oppose	
GG	LR6	Ebke	4/10 Halloran AM758 Pending	Resolution to congress for convention of the states to propose amendment to the U.S. Constitution	Oppose	
GG	LR15CA	Morfeld	Hearing 3/16	Constitutional amendment prohibiting requiring a voter to presnet identification prior to voting	Support	
GG	LR18CA	Larson	2/27 Placed on General File	Constitutional amendment to change age to run/hold office to federal voting age (18), adds "she"	Monitor	
Health Care/Health Insurance (HC/HI)						
HC/HI	LB120	Schumacher	Hearing 3/15	Expansion of Medical services, individual family planning service	Support	
HC/HI	LB438	Howard	Hearing 3/17	Raises taxes on tobacco to help fund behavioral health treatment	Support	
HC/HI	LB441	Morfeld	4/26 Placed on General File	Medicaid Expansion	Support	
Natural Resources/Environmental Issues						
NR/EI	LB87	Blood	3/8 Indefinitely Postponed	Redefine a qualified facility, authorize local distribution utilities to waive certain requirements relating to net metering	Support	
NR/EI	LB626	Larson	3/8 Indefinitely Postponed	Shared Community Solar Act	Support	
NR/EI	LB610	Kolowski	Hearing 2/22	Adopt the Community Solar Energy Economic Development Act	Monitor	
NR/EI	LB646	Pansing-Brooks	Hearing 2/6	Exteme weather preparedness taskforce	Support	
NR/EI	LB660	Wayne	3/8 Indefinitely Postponed	Retail electricity Choice Act	Oppose	
NR/EI	LR4	Blood/Vargas	1/5 Referred to Exec. Brd	Interim study to explore if the development of a more comprehensive water quality study is needed	Support	

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Public Education (PE)						
PE	LB118	Hilkemann	Hearing 1/26	Create Education Savings Act	Oppose	
PE	LB608	Linehan	Hearing 2/13	Parental choice Scholarship Program - Charter Schools	Oppose	
Social/Economic Justice (SEJ) CHILDREN/FAMILY/JUVENILE						
SEJ	LB6	Krist	1/29 Placed on General File W/AM38	Provide for release of a summarized report by the office of Inspector General of Child Welfare	Support	
SEJ	LB8	Krist	Approved by Gov. 3/29	Provide for graduated response sanctions and incentives related to juvenile probation	Support	
SEJ	LB10	Krist	3/10 Placed on Final Reading	Increase number of judges of the separate juvenile court as prescribed	Support	
SEJ	LB11	Krist	Approved by Gov 3/29	Change provisions related to transfer of juvenile cases	Support	
SEJ	LB106	Brasch	1/23 Bill Withdrawn	Change provisions relating to parental rights of a child conceived as a result of sexual assault	Monitor	
SEJ	LB108	Crawford	Hearing 2/8	Require guidelines to ensure safety of minor or dependent whose parent or guardian is arrested	Support	
SEJ	LB188	Howard	2/13 Placed on General File w/AM527	Change provisions relating to paternity of a child conceived as a result of sexual assault	Support	
SEJ	LB207	Krist	4/24 Sent to Governor	Change provisions relating to powers and duties of the Office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare	Support	
SEJ	LB225	Crawford	4/24 Sent to Governor	Change provisions relating to alternative response to a report of child abuse or neglect and provide duties for DHHS	Support	
SEJ	LB297	McCollister	3/15 Placed on General File	Create Children and Juveniles Data Pilot Project	Support	
SEJ	LB298	Baker	3/15 Placed on General File	Change provisions relating to the NE Strengthening Families Act and TF	Oppose	
SEJ	LB300	Krist	4/26 Placed on Final Reading w/ ST21	Eliminate the statute to limitations on civil actions for sexual assault of a child	Monitor	
SEJ	LB305	Crawford	Hearing 2/6	Adopt the Paid Family Medical Leave Insurance Act	Support	
SEJ	LB334	Scheer	2/13 Indefinitely Postponed	Change DHHS provisions relating to families	Oppose	
SEJ	LB335	Scheer	3/23 Placed on Select File	Change provisions relating to a child care market rate survey	Oppose	
SEJ	LB411	Boltz	4/12 Placed on General File	Change NE Juvenile Code provisions relating to placement of siblings	Support	
SEJ	LB427	Vargas	4/18 Placed on Final Reading	Require breast feeding accommodations for student-parents	Support	
SEJ	LB516	Pansing-Brooks	4/4 Placed on General File w/AM562	Change provisions relating to a report on juvenile facilities	Support	

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SEJ	LB589	Crawford	3/13 Placed on General File w/AM438	Provide for depositions of a child victim or child witness	Support	
SEJ	LB658	Wayne	Hearing 3/9	Provide for expert witness appointment as prescribed in certain juvenile proceedings	Support	
CRIM/COURTS/CO RRECTIONS						
SEJ	LB26	Murante	Hearing 1/19	Change service requirements for harassment protection orders	Support	
SEJ	LB107	Crawford	Hearing 2/28	Prohibit sexual assault of patient/client, or student as prescribed	Monitor	
SEJ	LB122	Pansing-Brooks	Sent to Governor 4/24	Provide for family member visitation petition	Monitor	
SEJ	LB258	Hansen	3/1 Placed on General File W/AM339	Provide opportunity for inmates to obtain state identification card or driver's license before discharge	Support	
SEJ	LB280	Pansing-Brooks	4/24 Placed on Select File W/ER75	Provides for Human Trafficking penalties	Support	
SEJ	LB289	Pansing-Brooks	3/31 Placed on Select File W/ER39	Change provision relating to pandering, human labor, and sex trafficking and public solitation of victims	Support	
SEJ	LB446	Chambers	Hearing 3/22	Eliiminate the death penalty and change and eliminate provisions relating to sentencing	Support	
SEJ	LB560	Schumacher	Hearing 3/22	Change restrictive housing and inmate discipline provisions	Support	
SEJ	LB574	Kintner	2/6 Indefinitely Postponed	Change provisions relating to intimidation by telephone call and provide for intimidation by electronic message	Monitor	
SEJ	LB638	Bostelman	Hearing 3/3	Provide enhanced criminal penalties based upon a person's employment as prescribed		
SEJ	LB661	Kuehn	4/19 AM918 Pending Hearing 2/9	Provide for confidentiality of information relating to performing a lethal injection	Oppose	
DISABILITIES						
SEJ	LB333	Scheer	4/13 Placed on General File 4/26 MO107 Pending	Eliminae an independent review of denial of aid to the disabled	Oppose	
FIREARMS						
SEJ	LB68	Hilgears	4/18 ER58 Filed	Prohibit certain regulations of firearms, ammunition and accessories by counties, cities and villages	Oppose	

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HOUSING/CONSTRUCTION						
SEJ	LB518	Williams	Sent to Governor 4/24	Adopt the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act and transfer funds from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund	Monitor	
SEJ	LB537	Hughes	Hearing 3/2	Provide for drug screening for applicants and recipients of cash assistance	Oppose	
HUMAN SERVICES						
SEJ	LB128	Groene	Hearing 3/22	Change eligibility provisions relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	Monitor	
SEJ	LB224	Crawford	Hearing 3/22	Change asset limitation provisions relating to public assistance	Support	
SEJ	LB311	Morfeld	4/26 Placed on General File W/MO104	Eliminate an eligibility provision relating to nutrition assistance benefits as prescribed	Monitor	
SEJ	LB358	McCollister	3/16 Placed on General File 4-11 Failed to Advance to E & R	Change income eligibility provisions relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	Monitor	
SEJ	LB505	Brewer	Hearing 3/22	Adopt the Refugee Resettlement Notification Act	Oppose	
LABOR LAWS						
SEJ	LB147	Hansen	Hearing 3/6	Change workers' compensation provisions relating to waiting time, termination of compensation, and attorney's fees	Support	
SEJ	LB165	Brewer	Hearing 2/22	Require Employer identification numbers and use of the federal immigration verification system (already covered by feds)	Oppose	
SEJ	LB173	Morfeld	3/1 Placed on General File 4/6 AM598 Pending	Prohibit discrimination based upon sexual orientation and gender identity	Support	
SEJ	LB204	Kuehn	4/24 Placed on Select File	Change provisions relating to maximum annual unemployment benefits and disqualification of benefits	Oppose	
SEJ	LB211	Hansen	3/15 Placed on General File	Change the minimum wage for persons compensated by way of gratuities	Support	
SEJ	LB354	Kolowski	Hearing 2/27	Adopt the Wage Disclosure Act	Support	
SEJ	LB372	Crawford	Hearing 2/6	Provide protections for employees with family care responsibilities under the NE Fair Employment Practice Act	Support	

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SEJ	LB420	McCollister	3/21 Placed on General File Bus & Labor AM553 filed	Adopt the Fair Chance Hiring Act	Support	
SEJ	LB553	Lowe	Hearing 2/27	Provide for a nonelection of coverae under the NE Workers' compensation Act	Oppose	
SEJ	LB603	Riepe	Hearing 2/22	Require a high-deductible plan for state employees' health insurance	Monitor	
SEJ	LB609	Linehan	Hearing 3/6	Provide fee schedules under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	Monitor	
GARNISHMENTS						
SEJ	LB37	Harr	Hearing 2/20	Adopt the uniform Wage Garnishment Act	Monitor	
SEJ	LB136	Ebke	Hearing 1/20	Change provisions relating to garnishment proceedings	Monitor	
SEJ	LB229	Williams	1/30 Place on General File	Change provisions relating to garnishments	Monitor	
SEJ	LB526	Morfeld	4/12 Placed on General File W/AM930 filed	Change provisions relating to debtor's rights, garnishment, attachment and other debt collection procedures	Support	
MISCELLANEOUS						
SEJ	LB356	Boltz	3/30 Passed Over	Nebraska Arts Council to create a Civic Engagement Cash Fund	Monitor	
SEJ	LB407	Pansing-Brooks	Sent to Governor 4/24	Create duties for Whiteclay Public Health Emergency Task Force	Support	
SEJ	LB485	Pansing-Brooks	Hearing 3/23	Create Chief Standing Bear and Indigenous Leaders' Day	Monitor	
POVERTY						
SEJ	LB145	Hanson	General file 4/12	Provide for a haring to determine financial ability to pay fines, costs and traffice citations and provide for community service	Support	
SEJ	LB194	Varges	Hearing 2/21	Pay Day Lending	Monitor	
SEJ	LB217	Harr	Sent to Governor 4/24	Change provisions relating to the accrual of interest on denied and reduced homestead exemptions	Monitor	
SEJ	LB286	Craighead	Hearing 2/21	Pay Day Lending	Monitor	
SEJ	LB386	Lindstrom	Hearing 2/21	Pay Day Lending	Monitor	
TAXES						
SEJ	LB69	Pansing-Brooks	Hearing 2/1	Increase the earned income tax credit	Monitor	
SEJ	LB129	Morfeld	Hearing 2/1	Increase the earned income tax credit	Monitor	
SEJ	LB190	Kintner	Indefinitely Postponed	Provide limit on tax on cigars, cheroots, and stogies	Oppose	