

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 188

Introduced by Hansen, M., 26.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this interim study is to review the policy of operating trains of increasing length and the effects on worker safety and on the operations of businesses near railroad crossings. The issues addressed by this interim study shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) The safety of rail workers and the general public;

(2) Whether the size and contents of the load of the train matters for the safety of operating trains of greater lengths; and

(3) The effects of longer trains on businesses located near crossings that could adversely impact customers, and whether operating with a crew of less than two persons impacts such delays.

The interim study shall seek input from affected stakeholders, including rail worker labor unions.

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

1. That the Business and Labor 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.