

Nebraska State Senators, 2017

Member	Represents	Term Expires
Joni Albrecht, Thurston	District 17.....	January 2021
Roy E. Baker, Lincoln.....	District 30.....	January 2019
Carol L. Blood, Bellevue.....	District 3.....	January 2021
Kate J. Bolz, Lincoln.....	District 29.....	January 2021
Bruce L. Bostelman, Brainard.....	District 23.....	January 2021
Lydia N. Brasch, Bancroft.....	District 16.....	January 2019
Tom Brewer, Gordon.....	District 43.....	January 2021
Tom Briese, Albion.....	District 41.....	January 2021
Ernie Chambers, Omaha.....	District 11.....	January 2021
Robert K. Clements, Elmwood.....	District 2.....	January 2019
Joni Craighead, Omaha.....	District 6.....	January 2019
Sue Crawford, Bellevue.....	District 45.....	January 2021
Laura Ebke, Crete.....	District 32.....	January 2019
Steve Erdman, Bayard.....	District 47.....	January 2021
Curt Friesen, Henderson.....	District 34.....	January 2019
Suzanne Geist, Lincoln.....	District 25.....	January 2021
Mike Groene, North Platte.....	District 42.....	January 2019
Steve Halloran, Hastings.....	District 33.....	January 2021
Matt Hansen, Lincoln.....	District 26.....	January 2019
Burke J. Harr, Omaha.....	District 8.....	January 2019
Mike Hilgers, Lincoln.....	District 21.....	January 2021
Robert Hilkemann, Omaha.....	District 4.....	January 2019
Sara Howard, Omaha.....	District 9.....	January 2021
Dan Hughes, Venango.....	District 44.....	January 2019
Richard L. Kolowski, Omaha.....	District 31.....	January 2021
Mark A. Kolterman, Seward.....	District 24.....	January 2019
Robert J. "Bob" Krist, Omaha.....	District 10.....	January 2019
John L. Kuehn, Heartwell.....	District 38.....	January 2019
Tyson Larson, O'Neill.....	District 40.....	January 2019
Brett Lindstrom, Omaha.....	District 18.....	January 2019
Lou Ann Linehan, Elkhorn.....	District 39.....	January 2021
John S. Lowe, Kearney.....	District 37.....	January 2021
John S. McCollister, Omaha.....	District 20.....	January 2019
Michael F. McDonnell, Omaha.....	District 5.....	January 2021
Adam Morfeld, Lincoln.....	District 46.....	January 2019
John Murante, Gretna.....	District 49.....	January 2021
Patty Pansing Brooks, Lincoln.....	District 28.....	January 2019
Dan Quick, Grand Island.....	District 35.....	January 2021
Merv Riepe, Ralston.....	District 12.....	January 2019
Jim Scheer, Norfolk.....	District 19.....	January 2021
Paul Schumacher, Columbus.....	District 22.....	January 2019
Jim Smith, Papillion.....	District 14.....	January 2019
John P. Stinner, Gering.....	District 48.....	January 2019
Tony Vargas, Omaha.....	District 7.....	January 2021
Lynne M. Walz, Fremont.....	District 15.....	January 2021
Dan Watermeier, Syracuse.....	District 1.....	January 2021
Justin T. Wayne, Omaha.....	District 13.....	January 2021
Matt Williams, Gothenburg.....	District 36.....	January 2019
Anna Wishart, Lincoln.....	District 27.....	January 2021

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DAN WATERMEIER

DISTRICT 1

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2012; re-elected 2016

Committees: Appropriations; Executive Board (chairperson); Legislative Performance Audit; Legislature's Planning; Reference (chairperson)

Biography: Born May 29, 1961, in Lincoln. Graduate of Syracuse-Dunbar-Avoca High School, 1979; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in agriculture), 1983. Married Jean Ann Laessele, Aug. 2, 1986; three children: Leslie McIntosh, Rachel Shirk and Kaitlyn. Farmer. Former grain logistician, Cargill, Inc. **Member:** Nemaha NRD (chairman); Nebraska Natural Resources Commission (chairman); Luther Memorial Church (ELCA); fellow, Nebraska LEAD VII; Syracuse Team-Mates Program. **Former member:** Syracuse Rescue Squad (treasurer); Otoe County Extension Board; Syracuse Otoe

County Young Farmers; Otoe/Cass Corn Growers; coach, Syracuse Parks and Recreation; Syracuse Jaycees. Republican.

ROBERT K. CLEMENTS

DISTRICT 2

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Appointed to Nebraska Legislature: Feb. 6, 2017, to replace Bill Kintner, who resigned

Committees: Appropriations

Biography: Born Dec. 11, 1950, in Lincoln. Graduate of Elmwood Public School (valedictorian), 1969; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in math, minors in actuarial science and economics, with honors), 1973. Married Peggy Sue Bogenreif, Dec. 24, 1972; five children: Andy, Tom, Mary, Sarah and Debbie; 10 grandchildren. Banker, insurance agent, tax preparer. Former actuary **Member:** president, Bess Streeter Aldrich Foundation; board member, Victory Church; adjutant and bugler, Sons of the American Legion. **Former member:** government relations board, Nebraska Bankers Association; trustee, Nebraska Bankers Association Voluntary Employee Beneficiary Association; treasurer, Sigma Nu Fraternity Building Association. Republican.



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CAROL L. BLOOD

DISTRICT 3

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Agriculture (vice chairperson); General Affairs; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision

Biography: Born Carol Vacek, March 5, 1961, in McCook. Graduate of Adams Central High School, 1979; attended Metropolitan Community College. Married Joseph Blood, Jr., Nov. 7, 1987; three children: Rachel, David and Noelle. Business consultant. Former CEO, La Vista Chamber of Commerce. **Member:** chair, Bellevue Farmers Market. **Former member:** Bellevue City Council, 2008-16; Catholic Daughters Vice Regent (chair), 2012-16; Bellevue Public Safety Foundation (chair), 2006-16; Bellevue Police Citizens Advisory Council, 2005-15; chair, Veterans Day Parade, 2006-11; chair, Worldfest, 2007-13; board, Sarpy County Museum; chair, White

Ribbon Campaign, 2012-16; legislative committee, League of Nebraska Municipalities, 2008-16; Olde Towne Development Committee, 2008-14. **Honors and awards:** Jewel of Bellevue; 2009 Morrison-Exon Award. Democrat.

ROBERT HILKEMANN

DISTRICT 4

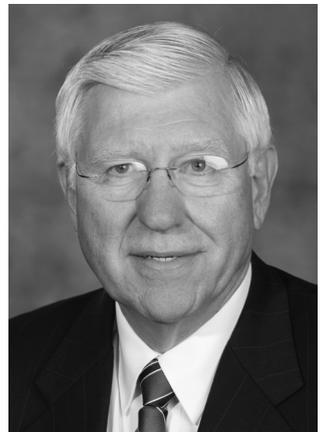
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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Appropriations; Committee on Committees

Biography: Born Nov. 23, 1947, in Norfolk. Graduate of Randolph Public High School, 1965; Nebraska Wesleyan University (B.S. in biology), 1969; Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine (D.P.M., cum laude), 1976. Married Julie Beth Bryngelson, May 30, 1970; three children: Todd Harold Hilkemann, Elizabeth Sue Hilkemann Sullivan and Sara Ann Hilkemann Brinkmann. Retired podiatrist. Former high school science teacher and head varsity football coach. **Member:** American Podiatric Medical Association Board; Nebraska Podiatric Medical Association (legislative chairman and president, 1988-90; house of delegates member, 1982-93 and 1998-2013); Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association; foundation board, Tentmaker Youth Ministries; West Hills Church (elected elder). **Former member:** Nebraska State Board of Health (chairman, vice chairman), 1984-88; board member, Patients' Rights Committee, Martin Luther Home, 1985-95; board member, Dayspring Ministry, 1984-2000; board member, Youth for Christ Omaha, 1984-94; sponsoring family, The Nurturing Network, 1991-92; Illinois Podiatric Medical Students Association (student body president, 1974-75); Table Rock Teachers Association, 1969-72. **Honors and awards:** Grace University Honorary Alumnus of the Year, 2007; American Podiatric Medical Association Fund for Podiatric Medical Education and Research's National Podiatrist of the Year Award, 1999; Voice of Democracy and William H. Danforth "I Dare You" Award, 1965. Republican.



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MICHAEL F. McDONNELL DISTRICT 5

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Appropriations; Building and Maintenance; Homeland Security Policy Group

Biography: Born Jan. 15, 1966, in Omaha. Graduate of Daniel J. Gross High School, 1984; University of Nebraska at Omaha (bachelor's degree in criminal justice), 1992; (associate degree in fire protection technology), 1996; Bellevue University (M.P.A.), 2014. Married Amy Grosse, June 19, 1993; one child: Ryan. Labor educator, University of Nebraska at Omaha William Brennan Institute for Labor Studies. Former Omaha fire chief. **Member:** American Association of University Professors; treasurer, Septemberfest Omaha: A Salute to Labor; executive board, Labor United; delegate, Omaha Federation of Labor; grand knight, Knights of Columbus

Council #10184 (recorder); church and school maintenance committee and chair, festival committee, St. Thomas More Catholic Church; membership co-chair, West Omaha Sierra Club. **Former member:** Omaha Professional Firefighters IAFF Local 385 (president, secretary, executive board, political action chairperson); Nebraska Professional Firefighters Association (state president); executive board, Nebraska State AFL-CIO. **Honors and awards:** 2014 Ancient Order of Hibernians (Father Flanagan Division) Lifetime Achievement Award; 2007 President Emeritus Omaha Firefighters International Association of Firefighters Local 385; 2007 Recognition of Dedication of Service to the Employees of the City of Omaha, Omaha Police Union; 2002 Robert E. Palmer International Association of Firefighters 2nd District/Muscular Dystrophy Association Outstanding Service Award. Democrat.

JONI CRAIGHEAD

DISTRICT 6

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Committee on Committees (chairperson); Legislature's Planning

Biography: Born Joni James, Aug. 11, 1954, in Nebraska City. Graduate of Nebraska City High School, 1972; University of Nebraska Medical Center (B.S. in medical technology), 1976; University of Kansas (M.P.A.), 1982. Married Richard J. Hoback, Aug. 23, 2012; four children: Staci Craighead and Jennifer Craighead Dumas (with late husband Michael Craighead); Carrie Hoback Hill and Kyle Hoback. Realtor, real estate developer. Former governmental affairs director, Omaha Area Board of Realtors; coordinator, Nebraska Business Development Center, retail business owner, author and magazine publisher, business consultant, medical technologist, laboratory director, cofounder of two nonprofit organizations. **Member:** GOP Business and Professional Women. **Former member:** chair, Douglas County Republican Party (vice chair, finance chair); member, Nebraska Republican Party



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JONI CRAIGHEAD (CONT'D.)

Central Committee; state judge, American National Teenager Scholarship Organization; judge, Outstanding Young Woman of Nebraska Pageant (America's Junior Miss); board, Grace University Foundation; board, The Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation; board, YWCA; board, Friends of Lied (publications editor); American Heart Association; committee, Child Saving Institute Cabaret; board, Opera Omaha – Cotillion; capital campaign publicity committee, Westside Church; annual fund drive vice chair, Great Plains Girl Scout Council; Omaha Junior League; judge, Miss America Scholarship Organization; board, Miss Omaha/Douglas County and Miss Lincoln/Lancaster County Pageants; judge, Our Diamond Miss Pageant; board, Nebraska Children's Home Society; board, Big Brothers/Big Sisters; guild member and fundraising committee, The Rose Theater; board, One to One Leadership Council; founder and sponsor, Celebrate Mentoring Week; women's mentoring task force, Institute for Career Advancement Needs; walk committee, National Conference for Community and Justice; alumni chapter, Gamma Phi Beta sorority; board, Act II, Omaha Symphony Guild; board, Friends of Family Service; AkSarBen Friends; volunteer, Madonna School; volunteer, Clarkson Hospital Guild. **Honors and awards:** Omaha Junior League, Sustainer Hall of Fame, 2006; Omaha Businesswoman of the Year, ABWA, 2003; Tanner Foundation Legacy Award for Community Advocacy, 2000; Omaha Junior League, President's Award, 1999; SBA Outstanding Nebraska Advocate for Women in Business, 1996; Ten Outstanding Young Omahans, 1993; Outstanding Executive Director, Miss Kansas Scholarship Pageant, 1990; Women of the Year, ABWA, 1986. Republican.



TONY VARGAS

DISTRICT 7

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Appropriations; Legislature's Planning (vice chairperson); State-Tribal Relations

Biography: Born Sept. 2, 1984, in Flushing, N.Y. Graduate of Smithtown High School, 2002; University of New York - Rochester (B.A.), 2007; Pace University (M.S. in education), 2010. Married Lauren Micek, July 9, 2016. Director of marketing and communication, Omaha Healthy Kids Alliance. Former teacher and education/nonprofit consultant.

Member: Omaha Public School Board; Dahlman Neighborhood Association; St. Francis Cabrini Parish; board, New Leaders Council. **Honors and awards:** Ten Outstanding Young Omahans, Omaha Jaycees. Democrat.

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BURKE J. HARR **DISTRICT 8**

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2010; re-elected 2014

Committees: Agriculture; General Affairs (vice chairperson); Revenue; Committee on Committees; Rules; Streamlined Sales and Use Tax System

Biography: Born Oct. 13, 1971, in Illinois. Graduate of Creighton Preparatory School, 1990; University of St. Thomas, 1994; Notre Dame Law School (J.D.), 1998. Married to Jennifer; three children. Attorney. Democrat.

SARA HOWARD

DISTRICT 9

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2012; re-elected 2016

Committees: Business and Labor; Health and Human Services; Urban Affairs; Committee on Committees

Biography: Born Sept. 24, 1981, in Omaha. Graduate of Duchesne Academy of the Sacred Heart High School, 1999; Smith College (B.A.), 2003; Loyola University of Chicago School of Law (J.D.), 2008. Married Doug Schroder, Oct. 16, 2015. Freelance grant writer and nonprofit development consultant. Former development director, OneWorld Community Health Centers and staff attorney, Illinois Maternal and Child Health Coalition. **Member:** board, Live Well Omaha; board, Omaha Schools Foundation; executive committee, National Conference of State Legislatures. **Honors and awards:** 2012 Eleanor Roosevelt Rising Star Award, Douglas County Democratic Party; 2014 40 Under 40 Award, Midlands Business Journal; 2015 Milo Mumgaard Emerging Leader Award, Nebraska Appleseed. Democrat.



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Appointed to Nebraska Legislature: Sept. 11, 2009, to replace Mike Friend, who resigned; elected to Legislature 2010; re-elected 2014

Committees: Agriculture; General Affairs; Judiciary; Rules; Justice Reinvestment Oversight

Biography: Born March 29, 1957, in Omaha. Graduate of Creighton Preparatory School, 1975; University of St. Thomas (B.A. in sociology), 1979; Webster University (M.A. in business administration and human relations), 1982. Military service: U.S. Air Force (1979-2000). Married Margaret Mary O'Connor, July 26, 1980; two children: Justin and Courtney. Contract manager and chief pilot. Former U.S. Air Force Lt. Col., retired.

Former member: Cass County SID (president, 2007-09); advisory board, Madonna School, 1992-2008 (president); Air

Force Association Board (1997-99); 55th Wing Association Board (1996-98). **Honors and awards:** Air Force Air Medal; Meritorious Service Medal; Air Force Commendation Medal; Aerial Achievement Medal; Distinguished Service Award, National Guard Association of Nebraska, 2011; Public Official of the Year, The Arc of Nebraska, 2011; Legislator of the Year, American Institute of Architects Nebraska Chapter, 2012; selected as co-chair of the Statewide Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, 2012; Champion for Nebraska Babies, Health Center Association of Nebraska, 2012; Outstanding Citizen of the Year, Nebraska Association of Behavioral Health Organizations, 2013; Champion of Nebraska History Award, Nebraska State Historical Society, 2013; NFC Community Star, Nebraska Families Collaborative, 2014; State Impact Award, Nebraska Health Care Association, 2014; Award for Advocacy, Nebraska Association of the Deaf, 2014; inductee, Nebraska Aviation Hall of Fame, 2014. Republican.

ERNIE CHAMBERS

DISTRICT 11

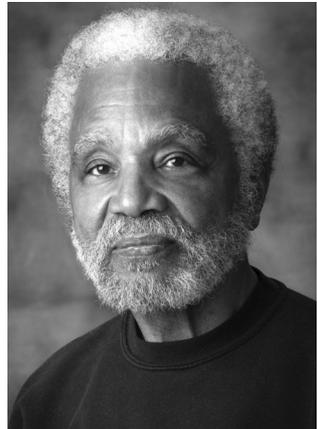
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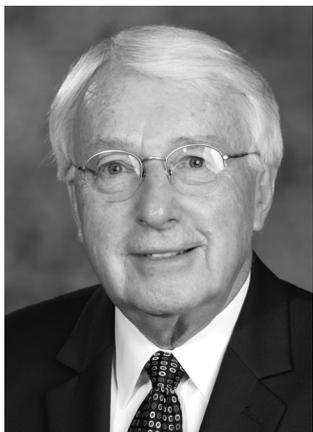
Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 1970; re-elected 1972, 1976, 1980, 1984, 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000 and 2004; 2012 and 2016

Committees: Agriculture; Business and Labor; Judiciary; Executive Board; Reference

Biography: Born July 10, 1937, in Omaha. Defender of the Downtrodden. Independent.



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MERV RIEPE

DISTRICT 12

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: General Affairs; Health and Human Services (chairperson); Urban Affairs; Legislature's Planning

Biography: Born July 16, 1942, in rural Griswold, Iowa. Graduate of Griswold High School, 1960; University of Nebraska at Omaha (B.S. in finance), 1968; University of Iowa (M.A. in health policy and management), 1970. Military service: senior corpsman, Balboa Naval Hospital, U.S. Navy, 1960-63. Married Jody Gillispie, Nov. 2, 1996: one son, S. Merle Riepe. Former hospital and health care manager.

Member: board of directors, Outlook Nebraska, Inc. (chair, 2010-12); president's board of advisors, Nebraska Wesleyan University; Ralston American Legion Post #373; National Rifle Association. **Former member:** American College of Healthcare Executives, 1970-2008 (fellow, 1990-2008); Medical

Group Management Association, 1994-2008; governing board, Omaha Symphony, 2001-03; Nebraska Wesleyan University Omaha Club (founder and president, 2002); pediatric provider executive council, Child Health Corporation of America, 1994-98; chair, National Association of Children's Health Related Institutions (NACHRI) strategic financial planning committee, 1992-96; national council of trustees, Franciscan Sisters of the Poor, 1990-92; health policy and management alumni board, University of Iowa, 1986-90; board of directors, Children's Square, U.S.A., 1985-89; board of directors, Council Bluffs Chamber of Commerce, 1985-89; chair, Council Bluffs United Way Campaign, 1988; Friends of Scouting Campaign for Council Bluffs, 1987; finance committee, Omaha First United Methodist Church, 1979-85; Golden Eagle District, Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1982-85; executive board of directors, Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1983-85. **Honors and awards:** Friend of Nebraska Wesleyan University Alumni Award, 2008. Republican.

JUSTIN T. WAYNE

DISTRICT 13

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: General Affairs; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Urban Affairs (chairperson)

Biography: Born Aug. 27, 1979, in Omaha. Graduate of Omaha Northwest High School, 1998; Creighton University (B.S.), 2002; Creighton University School of Law (J.D.), 2005. Married Katie S. Knapp, Dec. 23, 2009; one child: Mya. Attorney and CEO of Trailblazers Constructors, LLC.

Former member: Omaha Public School Board (president, 2013-14). Democrat.



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JIM SMITH

DISTRICT 14

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2010; re-elected 2014

Committees: Revenue (chairperson); Transportation and Telecommunications (vice chairperson); Committee on Committees (vice chairperson); Streamlined Sales and Use Tax System

Biography: Born Feb. 9, 1959, in Pensacola, Fla. Graduate of University of West Florida (B.A. in accounting), 1984; Creighton University (MBA), 1996. Married Ruth Blair, Oct. 3, 1987; two children. Owner, Norm's Door Service. Former manager, Omaha Public Power District **Member:** state chair, ALEC; Offutt Advisory Council; board, Wings Over the Heartland; board of directors, Ralston Schools Foundation; Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce; Ralston-Area Chamber of Commerce; Sarpy County Chamber of Commerce; elected officials advisory council, Papillion-La Vista Schools. **Former member:** board of directors, Nebraska Make-A-Wish Foundation; advisory council, Papillion-La Vista Schools; operating board, UNMC/MMI; Nebraska State One-Call Board; planning commission, city of Papillion; planning commission, city of Ralston. Republican.

LYNNE M. WALZ

DISTRICT 15

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Education; Natural Resources; Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact

Biography: Born Lynne Shallberg, June 18, 1963, in Fremont. Graduate of Arlington High School, 1981; Midland Lutheran College (B.A. in elementary education), 1994. Married Christopher Walz, June 21, 1986; three children: Adam, Patrick and Emma; two grandchildren. Realtor. Former teacher. **Member:** Fremont Chamber of Commerce (board); Kiwanis; board, Low Income Ministry. **Former member:** Fremont Bergan School Board; Fremont Board of Realtors (president); council member, Salem Lutheran Church; Salem Lutheran Church Children's Ministry. Democrat.



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LYDIA N. BRASCH

DISTRICT 16

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2010; re-elected 2014

Committees: Agriculture (chairperson); General Affairs; Revenue; State-Tribal Relations

Biography: Born Lydia Scherbak, July 14, 1953, in Lincoln. Graduate of Lincoln High School, 1971; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A.), 1989. Married Lee A. Brasch, July 9, 1993; two children: Dylan and Alyssa; five grandchildren. Farmer; owner, Brasch Marketing and Design. Former service agency salesperson, Computer Automation Systems Education Solutions; marketing director, Nebraska State Fair; public information officer, Nebraska Department of Revenue. **Member:** West Point Optimist Club; Association of Educational Service Agencies; St. Paul Lutheran Church of Bancroft. **Former member:** Nebraska State Fair Foundation; Cuming County Fair Foundation. **Honors and awards:** Toll Fellow, Council of State Governments Henry Toll Fellowship

Program, 2014; BILLD fellow, Midwest Council of State Governments Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership, 2012; National Conference of State Legislatures Emerging Leaders Symposium, 2012; Presidents award, National Management Association, state chapter, 1990. Republican.

JONI ALBRECHT

DISTRICT 17

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Agriculture; Business and Labor (chairperson); Natural Resources; State-Tribal Relations

Biography: Born Joni Jones, July 28, 1958, in Omaha. Graduate of Papillion High School, 1976. Married Michael D. Albrecht, July 3, 2010; six children: Gregory Albrecht, Laura Fischer, Scott Albrecht, Andrea Diehm, Michaela Kortus and Cortney Girmus. Farmer. Former internet sales manager. **Former member:** Papillion City Council, 1998-2005; Saryp County Board of Commissioners, 2006-10. Republican.



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BRETT LINDSTROM **DISTRICT 18**

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Banking, Commerce and Insurance (chairperson); Nebraska Retirement Systems (vice chairperson); Revenue; State-Tribal Relations (vice chairperson)

Biography: Born March 23, 1981, in Lincoln. Graduate of Millard West High School, 1999; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in history), 2004. Married Leigh Ancona, Aug. 18, 2007; three children: Colette, Barron and Olivia. Financial advisor. Republican.

JIM SCHEER

DISTRICT 19

SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATURE

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2012; re-elected 2016

Committees: Executive Board; Reference; Rules (ex officio); Legislative Performance Audit; Legislature's Planning

Biography: Born Sept. 19, 1953, in Norfolk. Graduate of Norfolk Public Schools; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration), 1976. Married Kristi J. Dudley, June 14, 1975; three children: Keeli, Rachel and John; six grandchildren. Insurance agency and small business owner. Former Norfolk mayor. **Member:** board, Liberty Center Services; board, Faith Regional Health Services. **Former member:** Norfolk Public Schools Board of Education; State Board of Education. Republican.



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JOHN S. MCCOLLISTER DISTRICT 20

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Natural Resources; Executive Board; Reference

Biography: Born April 29, 1947, in Moline, Ill. Graduate of Westside High School; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in business administration), 1971. Married Deborah Way, April 17, 1971; three children: Lauren, Daniel and Jeffrey. Principal, McCollister & Company. Former executive director, Platte Institute for Economic Research and president, McCollister & Company. **Member:** Omaha Downtown Rotary; board, Mid-America Council, Boy Scouts of America; UNL College of Business Administration Advisory Board; board, One World Community Health Center. **Former member:** board of directors, Metropolitan Utilities District (1979-2008). **Honors and awards:** Boy Scouts of America, Silver Beaver Award and Award of Merit. Republican.

MIKE HILGERS

DISTRICT 21

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Transportation and Telecommunication; Rules (chairperson)

Biography: Born Oct. 25, 1978, in Omaha. Graduate of Creighton Preparatory School, 1997; Baylor University (B.S. in economics, cum laude), 2001; University of Chicago Law School (J.D.), 2004. Married Heather Hicks, Aug. 14, 2010; three children: Alice, Elsie and Clara Jane. Business owner; attorney. Republican.



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DISTRICT 22

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2010; re-elected 2014

Committees: Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Revenue; Committee on Committees; Rules (vice chairperson); Legislature's Planning (chairperson)

Biography: Born April 4, 1951, in Columbus. Graduate of Humphrey St. Francis, 1969; Platte College (associate degree), 1971; Fort Hays State College (B.S., summa cum laude), 1973; Georgetown University (J.D.), 1976. Married Michele Gasse, June 26, 1976; two children: Nicole and Kristen. Attorney; president, Community Lottery Systems, Inc.; vice-president, Community Internet Systems, Inc. Former Platte County Attorney. **Member:** Nebraska Bar Association; Florida Bar Association. Republican.

BRUCE L. BOSTELMAN

DISTRICT 23

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Elected to the Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Natural Resources (vice chairperson); Transportation and Telecommunications; Building and Maintenance; Nebraska Information Technology Commission

Biography: Born July 20, 1962, in Superior. Graduate of Superior High School, 1980; Community College of the Air Force (associate degree in paralegal studies), 1999; Bellevue University (B.S. in business management), 2002. Military service: United States Air Force, 1980-2000: security specialist, 1980-84; paralegal, 1985-2000. Married Jan Uden, April 25, 1992; two children: Jen McVay and Micha Bostelman. Farmer; retired military. **Member:** American Legion Rejda Post 273 (adjutant); advisory board president, Nebraska Cooperative Development Center - UNL; board, Woody Florals Nonstock Cooperative; board, Heartland Nuts 'N More. **Former member:** fellow, Nebraska LEAD Program, 2009; Nebraska District Lutheran Laymen's League (district secretary; zone president); youth baseball coach; trap coach, Oak Creek 4-H.

Honors and awards: Dean's Scholar; finalist, Team Leader USAF Chief of Staff Team Excellence Award; Defense Meritorious Service Medal; Meritorious Service Medal; AFMC Steve Swigonski Paralegal of the Year. Republican.



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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Health and Human Services; Nebraska Retirement Systems (chairperson); Committee on Committees

Biography: Born March 16, 1951, in Seward. Graduate of Seward High School, 1969; Southeast Community College, Milford (associate degree in building construction), 1974; Peru State College (bachelor's degree in industrial technology) 1994. Married Suzanne Geis, Aug. 7, 1971; two children: Jessica and Jennifer. Insurance professional. Former real estate salesperson.

Member: Seward County Chamber and Development Partnership; Nebraska Diplomats; St. John Lutheran Church (chairman, elder). **Former member:** Southeast Nebraska Development District; Seward County Republican Party chairperson (state central committee member); Concordia

University Board of Regents; Concordia University Foundation Board (president); Memorial Health Care Systems Foundation Board (president); volunteer firefighter; Seward Kiwanis (president); Boy Scout leader; government relations chairman, Nebraska Association of Independent Financial Advisors; board secretary, Nebraska Health Underwriters Association; board member, Independent Insurance Agents of Nebraska. **Honors and awards:** BILLD fellow, Council of State Governments; life member, Million Dollar Round Table; Honorary Alumni of the Year, Concordia University, 2005; Young Agent of the Year, Independent Insurance Agents of Nebraska, 1987; Rookie Agent of the Year, Principal Financial Group of Nebraska, 1986. Republican.

SUZANNE GEIST

DISTRICT 25

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Natural Resources; Transportation and Telecommunications; Legislative Performance Audit (vice chairperson)

Biography: Born Suzanne Henderson, Nov. 21, 1961, in St. Louis, Mo. Graduate of Pine Bluff High School, Pine Bluff, Ark., 1980; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (bachelor's degree in journalism/broadcasting), 1984. Married Mark Bradford Geist, June 23, 1984; three children: Alexis Plouzek, John Geist and Derek Geist. Self-employed. **Member:** volunteer, Clinic With A Heart; volunteer, Lincoln Berean Church; volunteer, American Heart Association. Republican.



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MATT HANSEN

DISTRICT 26

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Business and Labor; Judiciary; Urban Affairs (vice chairperson); Legislature's Planning

Biography: Born Feb. 11, 1988, in Morgantown, W. Va. Graduate of Lincoln Southwest High School, 2006; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A. in psychology and political science), 2010; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 2013. Married Jane Schiermeyer, Oct. 15, 2016. Nonprofit administrator. **Member:** president, University Place Community Organization; board, Child Guidance Center. **Honors and awards:** 2016 Defender of Democracy Award, Nebraskans for Civic Reform. Democrat.

ANNA WISHART

DISTRICT 27

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Appropriations; Enrollment and Review (chairperson); Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision

Biography: Born Jan. 2, 1985, in Lincoln. Graduate of Lincoln Southeast High School, 2003; Middlebury College, 2007. Consultant. Democrat.



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PATTY PANSING BROOKS DISTRICT 28

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Education; Judiciary (vice chairperson); Committee on Committees; Justice Reinvestment Oversight

Biography: Born Patty Pansing, Sept. 30, 1958, in Lincoln. Graduate of Lincoln Southeast High School, 1976; Colorado College, 1980; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1984. Married Loel P. Brooks, July 7, 1982; three children: Taylor, Graham and Avary. Attorney, co-founder and vice president, Brooks, Pansing Brooks, PC, L.L.O. Former senior policy counsel/aid, Mayor Beutler; general counsel, Spence Title Insurance Company; law clerk, Nebraska Association of School Boards. **Member:** Nebraska Bar Association; Lincoln Bar Association; board, Partnership for a Healthy Lincoln; superintendent's advisory committee,

Lincoln Public Schools (co-chair, 2010-13); coordinating committee, First Plymouth Church Renovation Campaign; Cather Circle; trustee, Lincoln Community Foundation; trustee, Lincoln Public Schools Foundation; trustee, Lincoln Parks Foundation; trustee, Mourning Hope; board, Lincoln Public Schools PTO; Lincoln Chamber of Commerce; First Plymouth Church. **Former member:** fundraising campaign, Nebraska's Centennial Mall (co-chair); fundraising campaign, Union Plaza (co-chair); school bond campaign (co-chair); superintendent's student housing task force, Lincoln Public Schools (co-chair); chancellor's board of counselors, University of Nebraska Medical Center; board, MEDICI UNL (chair); Family Service Association (president); board, Folsom Children's Zoo and Botanical Gardens; Lincoln-Lancaster County Commission on the Status of Women (president, 1989-90); board, Community Blood Bank of the Lancaster County Medical Society; board, United Way of Lancaster County. **Honors and awards:** 2016 Lancaster County Democratic Party Hank Balter Community Outreach Award; 2015 Alice Paul Award, Women's Commission of Lincoln and Lancaster County and Mayor's Commission on Women; 2013 Volunteer Fundraiser of the Year, Nebraska Chapter, Association of Fundraising Professionals; fellow, Nebraska State Bar Foundation (1998); Lincoln Barristers-Inns of Court (1992-99); fellow, Leadership Lincoln III; member, Nebraska Law Review (1983-84). Democrat.

KATE J. BOLZ

DISTRICT 29

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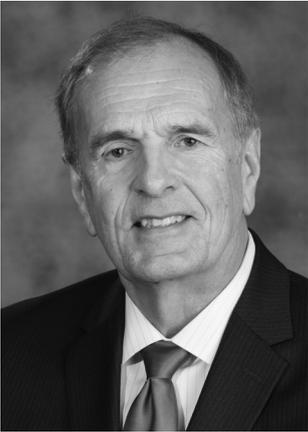
Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2012; re-elected 2016

Committees: Appropriations (vice chairperson); Nebraska Retirement Systems; Executive Board; Reference; Justice Reinvestment Oversight

Biography: Born March 1, 1979, in Lincoln. Graduate of Palmyra High School, 1997; Nebraska Wesleyan University, 2001; University of Michigan (M.S.W.), 2005. Executive director, Nebraska Association of Service Providers (NASP); professor, Nebraska Wesleyan University. **Member:** Palmyra Presbyterian Church; First Plymouth Congregational Church; Lincoln Young Professionals Group; volunteer, Meals on Wheels. Democrat.



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ROY E. BAKER DISTRICT 30

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Judiciary; State-Tribal Relations

Biography: Born in 1945, in York. Graduate of Benedict High School, 1963; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1967, (M.Ed.), 1970 and (Ed.D.) 1977. Married Paula L. Vineyard, Jan. 27, 1968; two children: Richard and Scott. Partner, Baker and Rastovski School Services, LLC. Former superintendent of schools. **Member:** board, Norris Educational Foundation; board, GameOn1125. **Honors and awards:** NCSA Distinguished Service Award, 2010; Nebraska Superintendent of the Year, 2005; Southwest Iowa Superintendent of the Year, 1994; Outstanding Educational Leader, Phi Delta Kappa, University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Republican.

RICHARD L. KOLOWSKI DISTRICT 31

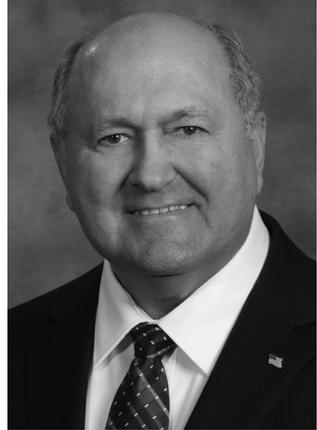
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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2012; re-elected 2016

Committees: Education (vice chairperson); Natural Resources; Nebraska Retirement Systems; Midwestern Higher Education Compact

Biography: Born Dec. 26, 1944, in LaSalle, Ill. Graduate of LaSalle-Peru Township High School, 1962; Lake Forest College (B.A.), 1966; University of Nebraska at Omaha (M.S.), 1970; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (Ph.D.), 1978. Military service: U.S. Marine Corps Reserve (1964-67). Married Bonnie Mae Gerrard, Dec. 26, 1966; two children: Jason and David. Educational consultant, Secondary School Reform. Former teacher; department head; curriculum coordinator; assistant principal; director of secondary education; high school principal. **Member:** Southwest Kiwanis Club, Omaha, 2005-present; board of directors, Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District, 2004-12 (assistant treasurer, vice-chairman, chairman); board of governors, Phi Delta Kappa Education Foundation, 2011-present; Learning Community Coordinating Council of Douglas and Sarpy Counties (chairman, 2009-12). **Former member:** Midwestern Higher Education Compact, 2013-16; education public policy committee, Council of State Governments, 2013-16; Omaha City Parks Committee, 2010-12; Omaha 2000 Education Committee, 1993-2003; board of directors, Phi Delta Kappa, 1989-2003 (international president, 1999-2001); Omaha South/Southwest YMCA (board chairman, 1989-91); Leadership Omaha, class of 1987-88. **Honors and awards:** 2014-16 BILLD Fellow, Midwest Council of State Governments Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership; 2014 National Afterschool Alliance Champion; 2007 Outstanding Administrator, Nebraska Music Educators Association; 2006 Friend of Education Award; 2006 National Principal of the Year, National Science Teachers Association; 2000 and 2007 Nebraska State Region II Principal of the Year. Democrat.



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Laura Ebke

DISTRICT 32

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Education; Judiciary (chairperson); Justice Reinvestment Oversight (chairperson)

Biography: Born Laura Schwab, June 4, 1962, in Manhattan, Kan. Graduate of Fairbury High School, 1980; Excelsior College (bachelor of liberal studies), 1991; University of Memphis (M.A. in political science), 1993; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (Ph.D. in political science), 2005. Married Russell Ebke, May 9, 1981; three children: Jennifer Craven, Natasha and Isaac. Adjunct college instructor. Former college instructor, restaurant manager. **Member:** Girl Scout leader; United Church of Christ - First Congregational Church (moderator, 2001-02 and 2013). **Former member:** Crete School Board; Homestead Council Board. **Honors and**

awards: Girl Scout Thanks Badge and numerous volunteer awards. Libertarian.

Steve Halloran

DISTRICT 33

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Agriculture; Business and Labor; Judiciary; Justice Reinvestment Oversight

Biography: Born June 29, 1948, in Hastings. Graduate of St. Cecilia's High School, 1966; Creighton University College of Business (B.S.), 1970. Married Ann, July 7, 1979; two children: Michael and Lindsey. Restaurateur. Former farmer. Republican.



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CURT FRIESEN

DISTRICT 34

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Transportation and Telecommunications (chairperson); Revenue (vice chairperson); Committee on Committees

Biography: Born July 13, 1955, in Henderson. Graduate of Henderson Community School, 1973; Southeast Community College in Millford, 1975. Married Nancy Vaught, Sept. 6, 1975; four children: Shannon Rein, Kori Lewis, Tiffany Milone and Neal Friesen. Farmer. Former Henderson mayor (2000-04). **Member:** Henderson Chamber of Commerce; Hamilton County Corn Growers. **Former member:** Upper Big Blue NRD (chair, 2007-08); League of Nebraska Municipalities; Nebraska Corn Board; Henderson Fire Department; Henderson City Council; LEAD XXVII. Republican.

DAN QUICK

DISTRICT 35

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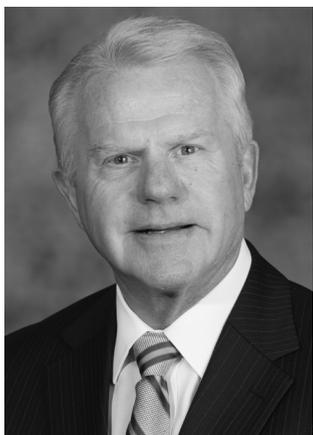
Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: General Affairs; Natural Resources; Urban Affairs; Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact; State-Tribal Relations

Biography: Born Dec. 29, 1957, in Grand Island. Graduate of Hordville High School, 1976. Married Alice M. Turek, April 26, 1980; three children: Michael, Stephen and Christine. Power plant maintenance mechanic. Former heavy equipment operator; farm hand; grain elevator employee. **Member:** Knights of Columbus; eucharistic minister, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church; president/business manager, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) 1597; president, Nebraska State Utility Workers Conference; president, Central Nebraska Labor Council. Democrat.



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MATT WILLIAMS DISTRICT 36

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Banking, Commerce and Insurance (vice chairperson); Health and Human Services; Legislature's Planning

Biography: Born Feb. 5, 1949, in Gothenburg. Graduate of Gothenburg High School, 1967; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (business administration), 1971; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1974. Married Susan Kay Wright, Aug. 2, 1969; two children: Robert Williams and Julie Rickertsen. Banker. **Member:** Nebraska Bankers Association (chair, 2003-04); American Bankers Association (chair, 2012-13); board, Innovation Campus; trustee, University of Nebraska Foundation; Ag Builders of Nebraska; board member, Gothenburg Redevelopment Authority (chair, 1993

to present); Nebraska Diplomats; Nebraska Bar Association; First Presbyterian Church (lay leader, elder). **Former member:** FDIC Advisory Committee on Community Banking; president's advisory council, University of Nebraska; Nebraska Chamber of Commerce; state board, TeamMates Mentoring Program; board member, Gothenburg Improvement Company (president); board member, Gothenburg Area Chamber of Commerce (president). **Honors and awards:** American Bankers Association Ag Banker of the Year, 2014; UNL Alumni Achievement Award, 2013; Pony Express Rider Award - Gothenburg, 2013. Republican.

JOHN S. LOWE DISTRICT 37

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Agriculture; Business and Labor; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Building and Maintenance (vice chairperson); Homeland Security Policy Group

Biography: Born Sept. 16, 1959, in Kearney. Graduate of Kearney High School, 1978; Kearney State College, 1982. Married Kim M. Sorensen, Oct. 18, 1991; three children: John Spencer Lowe, Robert Alexander Lowe and Patrick Garrison Lowe. Real estate investor. Former bar/restaurant owner; document imager; inventory auditor. **Member:** Rob Morris Masonic Lodge. **Former member:** Tehama Shrine Potentate, 1994; Kearney Planning Commission, 2012-16. Republican.



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JOHN L. KUEHN

DISTRICT 38

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Appropriations; Committee on Committees; Executive Board (vice chairperson); Reference (vice chairperson); Rules; Legislative Performance Audit (chairperson)

Biography: Born May 26, 1974, in Heartwell. Graduate of Minden High School, 1992; Hastings College (B.A. in biology), 1996; Kansas State University (D.V.M.), 2000. Rancher, veterinarian and professor. **Member:** Minden Rotary Club (president, 2004-05); Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association; Nebraska Farm Bureau. **Former member:** board of directors, Southern Power District, 2009-14 (secretary, 2011-14). **Honors and awards:** 1996 USA Today All-USA Academic First Team. Republican.

LOU ANN LINEHAN

DISTRICT 39

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Education; Health and Human Services; Legislative Performance Audit

Biography: Born Lou Ann Lovitt, Sept. 16, 1955, in Beatrice. Graduate of Lewiston High School, Lewiston Consolidated Schools, 1973. Married Kevin B. Linehan, Aug. 23, 1980; four children: Patrick B., Katie M., Meghan L. and Shannon P. Seim. Consultant. Former deputy principle officer, pillar director, deputy team leader, deputy assistant secretary, U.S. Department of State; chief of staff to U.S. Senator Chuck Hagel. **Member:** St. Patrick's Catholic Church. **Honors and awards:** 2014 Distinguished Honoree, Women's Center for Advancement - Omaha; U.S. Department of State Superior Honor Award 2002 and 2012, Meritorious Award, 2010; 1989 Chairman's Award, Douglas County Republican Party; Lewiston Consolidated Schools Hall of Fame, Class of 1973. Republican.



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TYSON LARSON

DISTRICT 40

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2010; re-elected 2014

Committees: General Affairs (chairperson); Revenue; Urban Affairs; Executive Board; Reference; Education Commission of the States

Biography: Born April 16, 1986, in Ft. Carson, Colo. Graduate of Weeping Water High School, 2004; Georgetown University, (B.A. in government and theology) 2008. Entrepreneur. **Member:** Young Art Patrons Committee, Joslyn Art Museum; Georgetown University Alumni Admissions Program; Rotary Club. Republican.

TOM BRIESE

DISTRICT 41

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs; Transportation and Telecommunications; Legislative Performance Audit

Biography: Born April 12, 1959, in Albion. Graduate of Albion High School, 1977; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S.), 1982; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 1985. Married Joan Wells, July 5, 1986; two children: Ashley Jones and Adam Briese. Farmer. **Member:** Nebraska Cattlemen; Nebraska Farm Bureau; Central Plains Corn Growers Association; Nebraska Soybean Association; Boone County Foundation Fund Committee; Boone County Philanthropy Council. **Former member:** two terms, Boone Central School Board; Boone County Farm Service Agency Committee. Republican.



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MIKE GROENE DISTRICT 42

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Education (chairperson); Nebraska Retirement Systems; Revenue; Committee on Committees; Education Commission of the States

Biography: Born Aug. 10, 1955, in Nebraska. Graduate of Dodge High School, 1973; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.S. in agricultural economics), 1977. Married Barb, Jan. 29, 1985; two children: Rebecca and Jebb. Territorial sales manager. Former agricultural plant manager. Republican.

TOM BREWER DISTRICT 43

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Banking, Commerce and Insurance; Government, Military and Veterans Affairs (vice chairperson); State-Tribal Relations (chairperson)

Biography: Born Aug. 6, 1958, in Casper, Wyo. Graduate of Gordon High School, 1977; Doane College (B.A.), 1984; Army War College, 2006. Military service: U.S. Army, 1977-2014. Married Kelli M. Young, Nov. 24, 1984; two children: Travis J. Brewer and Kalee M. Boden. Retired military. Former helicopter pilot. **Member:** American Legion; VFW; Military Order of the Purple Heart.

Honors and awards: Secretary of Defense Medal for the Defense of Freedom; Purple Heart (twice); Bronze Star. Republican.



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DAN HUGHES

DISTRICT 44

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Natural Resources (chairperson); Transportation and Telecommunications; Executive Board; Reference; Building and Maintenance

Biography: Born June 5, 1956, in Imperial. Graduate of Venango High School, 1974; Northeastern Junior College, Sterling, Colo. (associate degree), 1976. Married Josie Hahn, Aug. 19, 1977; two children: Ashley and Tyler. Farmer, businessman. **Member:** Nebraska Wheat Growers Association; Nebraska Cattlemen; Nebraska Farm Bureau; Grant Rotary Club; Venango Lions Club; Ag Builders of Nebraska; Grant Methodist Church. **Former member:** Grant/Perkins County School Board, 1998-2010; Nebraska Wheat Board, 2006-14; Nebraska Ethanol Board, 1993-99; U.S. Wheat Associates (chairman, 2013-14). Republican.

SUE CRAWFORD

DISTRICT 45

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2012; re-elected 2016

Committees: Business and Labor (vice chairperson); Health and Human Services; Urban Affairs; Executive Board; Reference; Midwestern Higher Education Compact

Biography: Born Sue Steinhauser, Jan. 10, 1967, in Maryville, Mo. Graduate of Worth Co. RIII (High School), Grant City, Mo., 1985; Northeast Missouri State University (B.S. in political science), 1989; Indiana University (Ph.D. in political science), 1995. Married David Crawford, Jan. 20, 1990; two children: Nathan and Philip. Political science professor, Creighton University; faculty associate, Creighton Center for Health Services Research and Patient Safety. Former research analyst. **Member:** Bellevue East Band Boosters; Bellevue Chamber of Commerce; Green Bellevue; board, Eastern Nebraska Community Action Partnership; board, Charles Drew Health Center; New Life Baptist Church. Democrat.



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ADAM MORFELD DISTRICT 46

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Education; Judiciary; Committee on Committees; Education Commission of the States

Biography: Born July 22, 1985, at Long Beach Naval Station. Graduate of Lincoln High School, Sioux Falls, S.D., 2003; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (B.A.), 2009; University of Nebraska College of Law (J.D.), 2012. Executive director and founder, Nebraskans for Civic Reform. **Member:** board, East Campus Community Organization; policy committee, Lincoln Young Professionals Group; Nebraska College of Law Young Alumni Council; Daily Nebraskan Publications Board. **Honors and awards:** Leola Bullock Community Service Award, NAACP - Lincoln Branch; Milo Mumgaard Emerging Leader

Award, Nebraska Appleseed; Young Professionals Award, Lincoln Chamber of Commerce; Early Achiever Award, Nebraska Alumni Association; 2015 Defender of the Bill of Rights Award, ACLU of Nebraska. Democrat.

STEVE ERDMAN DISTRICT 47

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2016

Committees: Education; Health and Human Services (vice chairperson); Committee on Committees; Building and Maintenance (chairperson)

Biography: Born Nov. 21, 1949, in Scottsbluff. Graduate of Bayard High School, 1968; Nebraska Western Junior College (associate degree), 1971. Married Cathy Jean Pfeiffer, Nov. 26, 1971; three children: Craig, Philip and Nicholas. Realtor. Former farmer. **Member:** Morrill County Board of Commissioners; Nebraska Farm Bureau; Community Bible Church. **Former member:** board, Panhandle Co-op; board, Stateline Bean Co-op; executive board, Nebraska Co-op Council; Farmland Industries; executive board, Nebraska Association of County Officials (president/ chairman); Bayard Public Schools Board; District 73 Rural Morrill County School Board. **Honors and awards:** Honorary State FFA Degree, 1992 and 1996. Republican.



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JOHN P. STINNER DISTRICT 48

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2014

Committees: Appropriations (chairperson); Nebraska Retirement Systems; Building Maintenance; Executive Board (ex officio); Reference (ex officio); Legislative Performance Audit; Legislature's Planning

Biography: Born Oct. 11, 1951, in Pittsburgh, Pa. Graduate of Montour High School, 1969; University of Nebraska (B.S. in business administration) 1973 and (M.A. in economics) 1976. Married Rita, Nov. 25, 1972; two children: John, Jr. and Cecilia; three grandchildren. Retired banker; board of directors, Western States Bank. Former CPA with Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co. (KPMG). **Member:** board, Oregon Trail Community Foundation; Scottsbluff/Gering Rotary Club; Sons of The American Legion; Knights of Columbus; Christ the King Parish. **Former member:** trustee, Hospital Authority

No. 1 of Scottsbluff County; board, Nebraska Bankers Association (chair); board, NBISCO; board, WNCC Foundation; board, Terry Carpenter Center; board, WyoBraska Museum; board, Zoological Association (president); board, YMCA of Scottsbluff (president); Gering School Board (president); Twin Cities Development (president); Gering Downtown Revitalization Committee; Elks Club; board, WNCC Cougar Booster Club. **Honors and awards:** Early Learning Fellows Program, National Conference of State Legislatures, 2016; BILLD Fellow, Midwest Council of State Governments, 2016; Scottsbluff/Gering United Chamber of Commerce Visionary Superstar, 2000; full athletic scholarship, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 1969-72; member, Nebraska Cornhusker National Championship football team, 1970 and 1971; Eagle Scout, 1966; ODE, Economics Honorary. Republican.

JOHN MURANTE

DISTRICT 49

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Elected to Nebraska Legislature: 2012; re-elected 2016

Committees: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs (chairperson); Transportation and Telecommunications

Biography: Born Feb. 6, 1982, in Omaha. Graduate of V.J. and Angela Skutt Catholic High School, 2000; University of Nebraska-Lincoln (bachelor's degree), 2004. Married Melissa Ekberg, Dec. 22, 2007; one child: Natalia Patricia. CEO, Big Fred's Pizza. **Member:** St. Patrick's Catholic Church; board, Partnership 4 Kids; Knights of Columbus; Gretna Optimists; U.S. Election Assistance Commission. Republican.

