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EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982 (p.l. 97-300, section (a)) requires the Governor to designate an organizational unit to be responsible for oversight and management of a statewide comprehensive labor market and occupational supply and demand informational system; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Department of Labor is currently responsible for:

1. Operating a comprehensive system of Labor Market Information programs, the data from which are published and disseminated for Nebraska and are also an essential component of the national labor market information data base.
2. Conducting research programs for over 40 years using highly qualified personnel and statistically reliable methods for collecting and analyzing data that meet U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics criteria and Employment and Training Administration criteria.
3. Supervising qualified labor market analysts who collect, organize, and analyze state and area economic conditions.
4. Serving as the Cooperating Representative appointed by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics as a requirement for the collection and confidentiality of data for federal/state cooperative labor market information programs.
5. Carrying out special research projects to resolve questions concerning labor market information and to develop improved data collection techniques, including the preparation of special reports at the request of the Governor and the Legislature.

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Occupational Information Coordinating Committee required by the Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act (PVATEA) is currently operating in Nebraska with the primary purpose being to develop and implement an occupational information system to meet the common occupational information needs of vocational education programs and employment and training programs at the national, state and local levels, which system includes data on occupational demand and supply based on uniform definitions, standardized estimating procedures, and standardized occupational classifications.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, E. Benjamin Nelson, Governor of the State of Nebraska, do hereby designate the Department of Labor as the organizational unit responsible for overseeing and managing a statewide comprehensive labor market and occupational supply and demand information system, which shall:

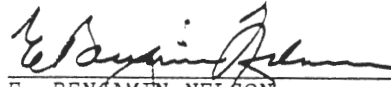
1. Design a comprehensive cost-efficient labor market and occupational supply and demand information system which:
 - a. is responsive to the economic demand and education and training supply support needs of the State and areas within the State, and
 - b. meets the federal standards under chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, and other appropriate Federal standards established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics;
2. Standardize available Federal and State multi-agency administrative records and direct survey data sources to produce an employment and economic analysis with a published set of projections for the State and designated areas within the State which at the minimum, includes:
 - a. identification of geographic and occupational areas of potential growth or decline; and
 - b. an assessment of the potential impact of such growth or decline on individuals, industries, and communities, including occupational supply and demand characteristics data;
3. Assure, to the extent feasible, that:
 - a. automated technology will be used by the State;
 - b. administrative records have been designated to reduce paperwork; and
 - c. multiple survey burdens on the employers of the State have been reduced;
4. Publish and disseminate labor market and occupational supply and demand information and individualized career information to State agencies, area public agencies, libraries, and private not-for-profit users, and individuals who are in the process of making career decision choices; and
5. Conduct research and demonstration projects designed to improve any aspect of the statewide information system.

I DO FURTHER hereby order and direct:

1. The administrative units of the Nebraska Occupational Information Coordinating Committee shall be contained within the Nebraska Department of Labor under the Direction of the Commissioner of the Department;
2. The Commissioner of the Department of Labor shall continue to use the Nebraska Occupational Information Coordinating Committee as the lead organization in the dissemination of career and occupational information and, in addition, oversee the operation of systems as may be developed by the Committee;
3. The Commissioner of the Department of Labor shall be responsible for the allocation of any federal, state, or private funds or funds received from the National Occupational Information Coordinating Committee, appropriated for labor market information purposes or programs.

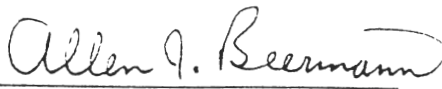
4. The following officials will constitute the membership of the Nebraska Occupational Information Coordinating Committee:
- a. The Commissioner of Labor, to serve as permanent chairperson;
 - b. The Director of the Department of Economic Development;
 - c. The Director of the Labor Market Information Unit of the Department of Labor;
 - d. The Director of the Governor's Office of Policy Research;
 - e. The Director of the Department of Labor, Division of Job Training;
 - f. The Director of the Department of Education, Program Improvement Division; and
 - g. The Director of the Department of Education, Division of Rehabilitation Services.

Dated this 31st day of March, 1992.



E. BENJAMIN NELSON
Governor

ATTEST:



ALLEN J. BEERMANN
Secretary of State

