BONUS MATERIAL

Eighty-five <u>interim studies</u> were introduced this session. These are studies requested by Senators or Legislative Committees on a wide range of issues. Some of these studies will have a public hearing some time over the Summer/Fall. These interim studies are intended to gather information about the issue, not prescribing a specific solution. Basically, the legislature is admitting they need more information and is asking for public input. Here are a few that caught my attention:

Document	Introducer	Committee	Description
<u>LR366</u>	Wishart		Interim study to examine at least three of the
		Health and	current certified community behavioral health
		Human	clinics established through the federal Substance
		Services	Abuse and Mental Health Services
			Administration's demonstration program
<u>LR368</u>	Cavanaugh, M.	Health and	Interim study to identify deficiencies and
		Human	inefficiencies in Nebraska public policy
		Services	surrounding disability-related service provision
<u>LR384</u>	Cavanaugh, M.	Judiciary	Interim study to investigate laws and procedures
			pertaining to the use of emergency protective
			custody
<u>LR387</u>	Day	Revenue	Interim study to review the statutes relating to
			homestead exemptions
<u>LR393</u>	Cavanaugh, J.	Executive	Interim study to examine the committee hearing
		Board	procedures of the Legislature
<u>LR397</u>	McDonnell	Health and	Interim study to examine the needs, workforce,
		Human	and funding streams for mental health care
		Services	across Nebraska
<u>LR399</u>	Lathrop		Interim study to review and identify what judicial
		Judiciary	resources are necessary to expand problem-
			solving courts across the state
<u>LR409</u>	Arch		Interim study to examine the Department of
		Health and	Health and Human Services' capacity and
		Human	resources to treat individuals who have been
		Services	committed to the department for treatment to
			restore competency to stand trial
<u>LR414</u>	McDonnell	Education	Interim study to examine programming,
			opportunities, and interventions for students
			attending an alternative school, class, or
			educational program in Nebraska
<u>LR420</u>	Hansen, B.	Education	Interim study to examine the education process
			and procedures for serving students with special
			needs

These interim studies are often held to get information to create bills for the next session. So they are important. See this <u>webinar discussion</u> about interim studies.