



## Legislative Watch List 2024 Term

- LB61**      **Introduced By:** Brandt      **Committee:** Transportation and Telecommunications  
**Topic:** Authorize leasing of dark fiber and eliminate certain powers of the Public Service Commission  
**Potential Impact:**  
Would allow certain public entities to license dark fiber and amended regulations surrounding the purchase, lease, and license of such infrastructure.  
**Notes:** Carryover, priority bill, advanced to E&IR      **Status:** Approved by Governor 3/18/24
- LB865**      **Introduced By:** Bostelman      **Committee:** Transportation and Telecommunications  
**Topic:** Require annual reports to the Nebraska Broadband Office  
**Potential Impact:**  
On or before July 30, 2024, and by July 30 each year thereafter, each provider operating in this state shall submit a report to the Nebraska Broadband Office that provides specific information regarding each standard Internet service plan advertised by the provider and the rates associated with each such plan.  
**Notes:** Carryover      **Status:** Incorporated into LB1031
- LB1031**      **Introduced By:** Bostelman      **Committee:** Transportation and Telecommunications  
**Topic:** Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund, dark fiber leases, and broadband telecommunications services.  
**Potential Impact:**  
Speeds must be capable of 100/20 Mbps to qualify for support from the Nebraska Universal Service Fund  
**Notes:** Emergency declared, made priority bill      **Status:** Passed Legislature 4/11/24, awaiting Governor
- LB1063**      **Introduced By:** Halloran      **Committee:** Education  
**Topic:** Require approval by the voters of the school district prior to expenditure of special building funds as prescribed  
**Potential Impact:**  
Requires a vote approval for improvements or the purchase of equipment for any existing school property to appear on any Special Election or General Election ballot.  
**Notes:**      **Status:** No further action at this time
- LB1300**      **Introduced By:** Bostar      **Committee:** Government, Military and Veterans' Affairs  
**Topic:** Adopt the Pacific Conflict Stress Test Act and the Foreign Adversary Contracting Prohibition Act  
**Potential Impact:**  
Outlines provisions and potential restrictions related to equipment or investments that might be at elevated risk from foreign adversaries.  
**Notes:** Emergency declared, made priority bill      **Status:** Passed legislature 4/11/24
- LB1302**      **Introduced By:** Lippincott      **Committee:** Government, Military and Veterans' Affairs  
**Topic:** Adopt the Cybersecurity Preparedness Act  
**Potential Impact:**  
Rewrite of LB651 from the 2023 term that reduced the fiscal note.  
**Notes:** Emergency declared      **Status:** No further action at this time

**[LB1336](#)**      **Introduced By:** DeKay      **Committee:** Transportation and Telecommunications  
**Topic:** Change provisions of the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act and transfer certain powers and duties to the Nebraska Broadband Office  
**Potential Impact:**  
Transfers certain responsibilities from the PSC to the Broadband Office  
**Notes:** Emergency declared      **Status:** No further action at this time

**[LB1389](#)**      **Introduced By:** Bostar      **Committee:** Revenue  
**Topic:** Provide for a personal property tax exemption for broadband equipment as prescribed  
**Potential Impact:**  
Allows the exemption of broadband equipment from personal property tax under specific circumstances  
**Notes:**      **Status:** No further action at this time

**[LB1417](#)**      **Introduced By:** Brewer      **Committee:** Government, Military and Veterans' Affairs  
**Topic:** Create, eliminate, terminate, and provide, change, eliminate, and transfer powers, duties, and membership of boards, commissions, committees, councils, task forces, panels, authorities, and departments and change and eliminate funds  
**Potential Impact:**  
Creation of Commission for K-12 Education/Elimination of the ESU CC. Elimination of the NITC Tech Panel with duties passed on to the NITC. Elimination of the Rural Broadband Task Force.  
**Notes:** ESU CC language removed      **Status:** No further action at this time

## Carryover Bills from Last Term with No Updates in 2024

**[LB238](#)**      **Introduced By:** Bostelman      **Committee:** Education  
**Topic:** Include virtual school students in the state aid to schools formula  
**General File:** No      **Status:** No further action at this time

**[LB635](#)**      **Introduced By:** Albrecht      **Committee:** Education  
**Topic:** Provide requirements regarding access to digital and online resources provided for students by school districts, schools, and the Nebraska Library Commission  
**General File:** No      **Status:** No further action at this time

**[LB638](#)**      **Introduced By:** Albrecht      **Committee:** Education  
**Topic:** Adopt the Nebraska K-12 Cybersecurity and Data Protection Act  
**General File:** No      **Status:** No further action at this time

**[LB650](#)**      **Introduced By:** McDonnell      **Committee:** Government, Military and Veterans' Affairs  
**Topic:** Allow certain cybersecurity records to be withheld from the public  
**General File:** Yes      **Status:** Incorporated into LB43, Approved by Governor 3/27/24