## **PROJECT EXTRA MILE** 2025 Legislative Bill Tracking

Bill #	Sponsor(s)	Description	<b>Bill Status</b>	Additional Information
<u>LB16</u> *	Cavanaugh, J <u>Judiciary</u> Conrad name added	Adopt the Nebraska Consumable Hemp Control Act	<u>Hearing</u> <u>1/29/25</u>	Creates the Nebraska Consumable Hemp Control Commission using the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission (LCC) commissioners and executive director. Requires monthly meetings to be held. Establishes the licensing and regulatory system as a part of the Nebraska Consumable Hemp Control Act. Designates the Commission to create its rules and regulations.
LB33* Oppose	Hunt <u>General Affairs</u>	Remove nonalcoholic beer from regulation under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	<u>Hearing</u> <u>2/3/25</u>	Removes 'near beer' from the definition of beer and specifies that beer does not include nonalcoholic beer, which would allow children to purchase beer with less than 0.5% ABV. It could also be consumed while driving. <u>AM23</u> – pending Indicates that beer, wine, and spirits are one-half of one percent or more alcohol by volume.
<u>LB97</u> +	Fredrickson <u>Transportation &amp;</u> <u>Telecommunications</u>	Change provisions relating to deferred judgments and the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act	Approved by Governor 4/14/25	<ul> <li>Sec. 1: Allows deferred judgment for CDL or CLP-permit as long as it would not mask a conviction and lead to noncompliance with federal laws leading to possible loss of federal money.</li> <li>Sec. 22: Expands interlock beyond Class M (motorcycle) or O (vehicle) operator's license holders, including CDL license holders.</li> <li><u>AM292</u>, <u>AM507</u>, <u>ER26</u>, <u>FA33</u> – adopted</li> </ul>

LB113* Oppose	Quick <u>General Affairs</u>	Change provisions relating to licensees under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	Approved by Governor 4/14/25	<ul> <li>Increases physical location allotment for holders of a manufacturer's, craft brewery, and micro distillery license from five to eight.</li> <li>Allows Nebraska micro distilleries to annually self-distribute up to 3,500 gallons (instead of 500) of their product.</li> <li>Changes the food service requirement for alcohol consumption in the commons area of an entertainment district to allow consumption as long as at least one holder of an entertainment district (E) license is serving food.</li> <li>Adds language to relax restrictions for all entertainment districts to allow pedestrians to cross an open street or highway while carrying open containers of alcohol as long as those pedestrians are traveling between two businesses that hold an entertainment district license.</li> <li>Attorney General's Opinion: Dormant Commerce Clause Challenge</li> <li>AM232, AM843, AM851 – adopted</li> <li>ST15 – recorded</li> <li>AM624, AM811, FA27 – failed</li> <li>AM625, AM626, AM682, FA92 – withdrawn</li> </ul>
<u>LB124</u> * Support	Holdcroft <u>Judiciary</u>	Change penalties for motor vehicle homicide of an unborn child	General File 2/27/25	<ul> <li>Changes penalties for a motor vehicle homicide of an unborn child as a result of impaired driving to equal those of MVH DUI of a person manslaughter of an unborn child.</li> <li>Enhances the penalty from a Class IIIA felony to a Class IIA felony when death results from an impaired driving crash (maximum changes from 3 years to 20 years).</li> <li>Enhances the penalty from a Class IIA felony to a Class II felony when death results from an impaired driving crash with a repeat offender (changes from 0-20 years to minimum 1 year and maximum 50 years).</li> </ul>

LB178* Support	Clouse <u>General Affairs</u>	Require mandatory server training under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	Failed to advance to E & R Initial 3/4/25	<ul> <li>Requires a mandatory server alcohol training course as a part of the liquor licensing process and allows the LCC to promulgate the rules and regulations governing those programs.</li> <li>Individuals engaged in the sale, service, or mixture of alcoholic liquor, in providing security, or in verifying customers' ages will need a certificate of completion that must be submitted to the LCC within 90 days of the start of employment.</li> <li>The training fee may not exceed \$30.</li> <li>Businesses that do not keep documentation on premises of an employee's certificate or their employment records may have their license suspended, cancelled, or revoked.</li> <li>For events primarily staffed by volunteers, under a special designated license (SDL), only the manager on duty is required to have completed mandatory server alcohol training; peace officers are exempt from training</li> </ul>
<u>LB186</u> +* Oppose	Dover <u>General Affairs</u> Raybould name added	Change provisions relating to entertainment districts under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	Amended into LB 113 as AM 843	<ul> <li>Changes the food service requirement for alcohol consumption in the commons area of an entertainment district to allow consumption as long as at least one holder of an entertainment district (E) license is serving food.</li> <li>Adds language to relax restrictions for entertainment districts located in cities of the first and second class, counties, and/or villages to allow pedestrians to cross an open street or highway while carrying open containers of alcohol as long as those pedestrians are traveling between two businesses that hold an entertainment district license.</li> </ul>

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<u>LB330</u> * Support	Juarez <u>Revenue</u>	Change provisions relating to the sales tax rate and create the Alcohol Addiction Prevention and Treatment Fund	<u>Hearing</u> <u>3/20/25</u>	<ul> <li>Sets the sales tax at five percent pursuant to section 77-2703 except for transactions that occur withing a good life district, then the sales tax is two and three-quarters percent of the transaction.</li> <li>Sets sales tax on alcoholic liquor at fifteen and one-half percent.</li> <li>Requires proceeds of the sales tax from alcoholic liquor to be distributed 50% to the Alcohol Addiction Prevention and Treatment Fund and 50% to the Education Future Fund.</li> <li>Creates the Alcohol Addiction Prevention and Treatment Fund which will be administered by the Department of Health and Human Services to fund prevention and treatment of alcohol addiction.</li> </ul>
<u>LB478</u>	General Affairs Committee <u>General Affairs</u> provided by Project Ex	Provide for an auction permit and a wholesalers shipping license and change other provisions of the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	Approved by Governor 4/7/25	<ul> <li>Creates an auction permit for auction houses to be allowed to sell alcoholic products; requires auction houses to notify the LCC of all auctions and provide inventories of products to be sold.</li> <li>Creates a wholesale shipping license to allow wholesalers outside of Nebraska to obtain a Nebraska shipping license to ship product only to a Nebraska wholesale license holder.</li> <li>Removes fees for the issuance of a duplicate airline, special party bus, pedal pub vehicle, and railroad license.</li> <li>Clarifies that public notice of a liquor license hearings may be published in a legal newspaper in statewide or general circulation in a city, village, or county.</li> <li>Sets the annual brand registration renewal fee to be no more than \$30.</li> <li>Exempts retailers who hold a shipping license for products outside of Nebraska and ship directly to consumers from filing a brand registration report.</li> </ul>

\* Testimony provided by Project Extra Mile + Emergency clause included