Guide for Submitting Comments to the Nebraska Legislature

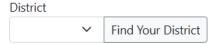
Agency 25 — Health and Human Services

Appropriations Hearing on March 10th, 2025

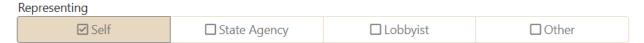
- 1. Visit the Nebraska Legislature website: nebraskalegislature.gov/calendar/hearings.php?day=2025-03-10
- 2. Locate the line item "Agency 25 Health and Human Services" (at the top) and select "Submit Comment Online" (denoted by the orange box in the image below).



- 3. Click "I Understand" after reviewing the text that appears.
- 4. Fill out the contact information section using your own personal email address and other details.
- 5. Select your state district from the dropdown menu or click "Find Your District" (see image below)



6. Keep the default option (Self) under the "Representing" section (see image below)



- 7. Review the descriptions of the available options below to determine your stance:
 - o **Proponent**: You believe the NE-DHHS budget should reduce or eliminate the University's allocation of the Biomedical Research Development Fund, negatively impacting research at UNMC.
 - o **Opponent**: You believe the NE-DHHS budget should keep the current allocation of the Biomedical Research Development Fund to the University of Nebraska, preventing any impact to UNMC research.
 - O Neutral: You have no opinion either way regarding the NE-DHHS budget.

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8.	Under the "Stance" section, select the option that best reflects your position (see image below). Stance		
	☐ Proponent	☐ Opponent	☐ Neutral

- 9. Provide your statement (maximum 500 words) in the text box.
 - If you wish to maintain the University's allocation, and therefore **oppose this budget change**, consider sharing the importance of the University of Nebraska's biomedical research— whether through improving healthcare outcomes, driving medical innovations, or enhancing community well-being.
 - Be sure to include your personal experiences, which will help emphasize the value and critical role of the University's research in Nebraska's future.
- 10. Submit the comment and click the verification link in the confirmation email.

COMMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MARCH 10 AT 8:00 AM

DON'T FORGET: After submitting your comment, a confirmation email will be sent to the address you provided, which includes a verification link that must be clicked in order to complete your submission.

- Comments that are not verified will not be submitted and will not be made available to view by legislators and staff.
- This verification step must be completed for each comment you submit through the portal, even if you have previously provided comments on past legislative issues.

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