

RESOLUTION

SUBMITTED TO: The Legislature, The Governor, Local School Boards,
Superintendents, Education Policy Partners

SUBJECT: Resolution regarding use of Lottery Funds

PROPOSED BY: The Nebraska State Board of Education

DATE: April 4, 2003

Whereas the State Board of Education:

Recognizes that the State Board of Education, the Legislature, and the Governor have always held public education to be one of the highest priorities of this State.

Believes that citizens of this State supported the Lottery based upon preK-12 education being one of the main beneficiaries of the Lottery.

Recognizes that severe reductions in revenues for the State of Nebraska are a challenge currently being faced by Governor Mike Johanns and the Legislature.

Recognizes that preK-12 education has already conceded the use of Lottery Funds to help address the unprecedented declines in revenue by the State.

Believes that preK-12 education should continue to be a main beneficiary of the Lottery when the unprecedented declines in revenue by the State have ended.

Be it resolved: The State Board of Education calls upon the Legislature and the Governor to oppose any further diversion of lottery funds from preK-12 education and that the lottery funds be reserved for priority preK-12 education programs.