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HISTORICAL NOTE

The first state planning board existed in Nebraska, 1935-1941. It was formally created by the State Legislature in 1937 (see RG19, Nebraska State Planning Board). The activities of this board were discontinued in 1941.

In compliance with an Executive Order of Governor Norbert T. Tiemann dated March 25, 1968, the Nebraska Management Analysis Study Committee (Little Hoover Commission) released its results of the study for better operations and functions of state government in Nebraska. The commission was to study management efficiencies or cost controls for state agencies and develop recommendations to improve management efficiency and increase the economic operation of state government.

LB1398 introduced in the Legislature in May, 1969 at the request of Governor Tiemann, grew out of his "Little Hoover Commission's" report and his on-going efforts to establish a state planning program. There was already a State Planning Coordinator in his office. The bill had as its purpose to create a State Office of Planning and Programming and give it duties and power to establish "...a comprehensive state and regional planning process."

By the passage of the above bill, the office was created on September 1, 1969 as the principal state agency to plan for comprehensive development of the state's social, economic, and physical resources. The agency was charged with surveying, reviewing, and appraising the accomplishments of state government, and providing information, assistance, and staff support to the executive and legislative branches. It had the responsibility of coordinating the planning and programming activities at all levels of government within Nebraska, but was prohibited from developing functional plans when another agency had been given, and was carrying out, the responsibility. The Governor served as state planning officer and he appointed a Director of Planning. The office worked in cooperation with the Department of Economic Development and the Legislative Council. In fact, provisions in the law necessitated the transfer of certain files from the Department of Economic Development.

This agency was in existence as provided by LB1398 until January of 1979 when the Government, Military, and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced LB412 which repealed the former legislation relating to the State Office of Planning and Programming. Many of the duties were delegated to other offices, particularly to the Department of Economic Development, the Department of Administrative Services, and the Governor's office. The amended LB412, section 84-132 had the purpose of creating "...an office for development and review of policy alternatives. The office shall act as a directing, advisory, consulting, and coordinating
agency to harmonize planning and policy development activities at all levels of government within Nebraska, and to stimulate public interest and participation in the social, economic, and physical development of the state."

Section 84-133 (1) as amended created the Policy Research Office within the executive branch with the Governor as head, and a Director appointed by the Governor.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This record group consists of the administrative correspondence of the State Office of Planning and Programming arranged in one series and five subseries: S1) Administrative Correspondence, FY1976/1977; SS1) State Agencies; SS2) Federal Files; SS3) Personal & Subject Files; SS4) Subject Files, A-Z; SS5) Miscellaneous Subject Files.

Previous correspondence can be found in the papers of Governors Tiemann and Exon (RG1, SGs 39 & 40).

Included in Governor Tiemann's correspondence are letters, speeches, and reports relating to the origin of a state planning program. Also included is the correspondence of the State Planning Coordinator, Doug Bereuter, 1968. The correspondence can be found in RG1, SG39 as follows:

(note: portions of this collection are restricted until December 2, 1995. Consult the archivist for use of this collection)

Box 33 (2/7/3/2)
Office of State Planning Coordinator, Doug Bereuter - Correspondence, September - December 1968

Box 62 (2/7/5/3)
Little Hoover Commission, 1969

Box 72 (2/7/6/1)
State Planning Coordinator, 1969
Proposed Institution Planning, 1969

Box 104 (2/)
Proposed Institution Planning, 1970
State Planning Coordinator, 1970

Papers relating to the Office of Planning and Programming in Governor Exon's correspondence (RG1, SG40) is as follows:

Box 18 (1/7/3/5)
Nebraska Planning & Zoning Association, 1971
City and County Planning, 1970-1971 (Lincoln & Omaha)
Papers of Gov. Exon (cont)

Box 47 (1/7/5/6)
Planning & Programming, Correspondence 1972 (2 folders)
Broken Bow Hospital, 1972
Land Use Planning, 1972

Box 48
Report - "Nebraska State Preliminary Planning Application...
Alcohol Abuse...," February 1972

Box 76 (1/7/7/6)
Planning & Programming Correspondence, 1973 (2 folders)
Land Use Planning, 1973

Box 109 (1/8/2/2)
Planning & Programming Correspondence, 1974 (3 folders)

Box 143 (1/8/4/5)
Planning & Programming Correspondence, 1975 (3 folders)
Copy - State of Nebraska - Historic Resource Management Plan - Preliminary Report by Merrill J. Mattes,
September 15, 1975

Box 179 (1/8/7/2)
Planning & Programming correspondence, 1976 (1 folder)

The above description is provided for the ease of the researcher
and to fill the gap of correspondence prior to FY1976/1977 for this
agency.

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DESCRIPTION

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