

Staff recommends renewal of the government relations agreement with Peetz & Company for the calendar years 2021 and 2022 and to authorize the Executive Director to execute the 2021/2022 Agreement.

## **Peetz & Company**

### **Summary of Terms of the Agreement**

#### **Firm Contact**

Jack Peetz, Relationship Contact

#### **Term of Renewal**

This is for the calendar years 2021 and 2022

#### **Annual Rate**

\$40,000 per annum (paid in quarterly installments: Jan, Mar, June, and Oct)

#### **Assignment**

The firm may not sell, transfer, or assign this Agreement to another party.

#### **Cancellation of Agreement**

If initiated by the client (OSERS), may cancel with thirty (30) days' notice to the firm.

If initiated by the firm (Peetz), may cancel with sixty (60) days' notice to the client.

All Notices must be in writing to named individuals in the Agreement.

#### **Scope of Work**

Provide assistance to Client during the 2021-2022 Nebraska Legislative Session(s), including the following:

- Assist with monitoring the Legislature on any legislative bills, resolutions, amendments, or studies relating to issues identified by Client.
- Provide Client with written weekly status reports during the regular and any special sessions of the Legislature.
- Provide the client with an end of the session report at a public Client board meeting.
- Meet in person with Client Board at the beginning of each legislative session with analysis and recommendations for upcoming session.
- Monitor holdover legislation between legislative sessions and interim studies, and act as necessary, i.e. attend hearings, meetings, provide timely follow-up, etc.
- Assist with ongoing education and information to elected officials.
- Identify elected leaders and other policymakers to become Client's best advocates.
- Interface with elected officials and candidates on a consistent basis.
- Educate new policy leaders and candidates about Client.
- Coordinate with other lobbyists on issues that impact client.
- Identify other key stakeholders who can assist with Client's agenda.
- Interface with state Executive branch, including key state agencies.