## Purpose of the Property Assessment Division

The purpose of the Nebraska Department of Revenue Property Assessment Division (Division) is to develop information, in various formats, that assists the administrators, payers, and beneficiaries of property taxes to make informed decisions concerning the quality of the assessment function of the property tax system in Nebraska.

The Division, directed by the Property Tax Administrator, is statutorily created and governed by the Nebraska Constitution and statutes. *See* Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 77-701 and 77-702.

Its functions include, but are not limited to, the following:

- To provide legal, policy, and assessment information through regulations, rulings, directives, standards, manuals, and education to county assessors and other assessing officers to ensure the uniform execution of the property tax laws. (§ 77-1330)
- To provide advice concerning the assessment of real property to ensure the uniform and proportionate valuation of real property. (§ 77-702 (2))
- To provide information to property owners concerning the level of value and quality of the assessment of real property in each county. (§ 77-1327)
- To determine the assessable valuation of all taxable property in each school district for purposes of the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act. (§§ 79-1001 and 79-1016)
- To value and distribute the value of property required to be valued by the state, such as railroad companies, public service entities, car companies, and air carriers. (§§ 77-601 to 77-693, 77-801 to 77-804, and 77-1244 to 77-1250.05)
- To administer the assessment administrative program for contracted counties. (§ 77-1331)
- To administer the Property Tax Credit Program. (§ 77-4209, et. al)
- To administer the Homestead Exemption Program. (§ 77-3508)
- To administer the Documentary Stamp Tax Program. (§ 76-901)
- To determine the eligibility for exemption of certain personal property subject to compliance with the Employment and Investment Growth Act (LB 775) and the Nebraska Advantage Act. (§§ 77-4101, 77-4105, 77-5701, and 77-5725)
- To publish the Division's Annual Report and a Tax Increment Finance Report. (§§ 77-709 and 18-2117.01)
- To review exemptions granted by county boards of equalization and appeal to the Tax Equalization and Review Commission, if necessary. (§§ 77-202.04, 77-701(4), and 77-5007(13))