

**ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION -
2008**

COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB1067

Hearing Date: February 07, 2008

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (Aguilar)

Title: Change provisions allocating election costs to political subdivisions

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Placed on General File

Vote Results:

8 Yes	Senators Adams, Aguilar, Avery, Friend, Karpisek, Lautenbaugh, Pahls, Rogert
0 No	
0 Absent	
0 Present, not voting	

Proponents:

Senator Ray Aguilar
David Shively
Becky Richter
Sandra Stelling

Beth Bazyn Ferrell

Opponents:

Neutral:

Representing:

Introducer
Lancaster County Election Commissioner
Secretary of State's Office
Clerks/Register of Deeds/Election
Commissioners Association
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Representing:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or change:

LB 1067 changes provisions regarding reimbursements by political subdivisions for the costs of conducting their elections.

Currently, the reimbursement is determined by a system that prorates costs based on the amount of ballot spaced used. LB 1067 would establish the minimum amount billed at \$50.

The bill also amends an alternative “set fee” billing process for public power districts, so that the minimum fee paid to counties for election expenses will be \$50. Under the bill, the amount a public power district will pay to counties with a population of less than 3000 inhabitants is raised from \$75 to \$100. In current law, when the candidates of the public power district appear on ballots in less than one-half of the precincts in a county, the cost to the district is reduced fifty percent. By raising the fee to \$100, counties are ensured the minimum fee of \$50.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Ray Aguilar, Chairperson