



Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008
Committee Statement
LB 131

Hearing Date: February 13, 2007

Committee On: Agriculture

Introducer(s): (Raikes)

Title: Provides for the University Research and Development Corridor Master Plan

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Advanced to General File with Amendments

X Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

6 Yes Senators Karpisek, McDonald, Dubas, Wallman, Dierks, Erdman

No

Present, not voting

2 Absent Senators Chambers, Preister

Proponents:

Sally Atkins
Linda Lovgren
Senator Raikes
Harvey Perlman
Cameron Colby Thomson
James Gutmann
Bruce Bohrer
Alan M. Wood
Ralph Holzfaster
Mark Bowen

Representing:

Nebraksa HBPA
Nebraska HBPA
Introducer
University of Nebraska
Allied Strategy
Self
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce
Lancaster County Agricultural Society
Self
City of Lincoln

Opponents:

Tamas Allan
Harry Muhlbach
John K. Hansen
Richard Halvorson

Representing:

Nebraska State Fair
Self
NE Farmers Union
Self

Neutral:

Danny E. Walicer

Representing:

Citizens for Honest & Responsible Government

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 131 would have assigned a duty to the University of Nebraska to complete a University Research and Development Corridor Master Plan in cooperation with the city of Lincoln and the state building division, and with other interested parties, for areas adjacent to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. The bill specified elements of the master plan to include:

- A master plan of identified areas and including potential use and reuse of all or portion of State Fair Park
- A fifteen-year cash flow analysis of costs associated with the plan
- An economic cost-benefit analysis of state and local benefits
- Any other analysis beneficial to determining economic and research opportunities

The bill established a deadline of November 1, 2007 for the University to provide the master plan to the Legislature and the Governor.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Philip Erdman, Chairperson