



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Committee Statement
LB 311

Hearing Date: January 25, 2007

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (Aguilar, 35)

Title: Change provisions relating to petition signature verification

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

- X Advanced to General File
 - Advanced to General File with Amendments
 - Indefinitely Postponed
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Vote Results:

7	Yes	Senators Adams, Aguilar, Avery, Friend, Karpisek, Mines, Rogert
0	No	
0	Present, not voting	
1	Absent	Senator Pahls

Proponents:

Senator Ray Aguilar
Neal Erickson

Representing:

Introducer
Secretary of State

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 311 changes provisions relating to petition signature verification to conform with the requirements set forth in the Nebraska Supreme Court case, *State ex rel. Stenberg v. Moore*, 258 Neb. 199 (1999).

With LB 311, the election commissioner or county clerk will compare the petition signer's signature and other information with the voter registration records to determine whether the signer was a registered voter. This determination may be rebutted by any credible evidence which the election commissioner or county clerk finds sufficient. Signatures are presumed to be valid.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Ray Aguilar, Chairperson