



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Committee Statement
LB 388

Hearing Date: February 15, 2007

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (Aguilar)

Title: Change duties and membership of the Economic Development Commission and the Department of Economic Development

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

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

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

Proponents:

Senator Ray Aguilar
Richard Baier

Representing:

Introducer
Department of Economic Development

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 388 changes duties and membership of the Economic Development Commission and eliminates the Nebraska Industrial Competitive Alliance.

With LB 388, the Governor will appoint to the Economic Development Commission (commission) individuals from private industry sector, including individuals with knowledge in logistics, financial services and insurance, information technology, biotechnology, and at least two individuals from manufacturing.

The commission will provide programmatic policy guidance and oversight to the Nebraska Manufacturing Extension Partnership. The Nebraska Industrial Competitive Alliance is currently providing that guidance and oversight.

The terms for members of the commission are changed from six to four years. Members serving on the effective date of this act may serve for the remainder of their six-year term.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

The committee amendment specifies that at least one of the two members appointed to the Economic Development Commission in the manufacturing field represents a company with no more than 75 employees.

Senator Ray Aguilar, Chairperson