



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Committee Statement
LB 40

Hearing Date: January 17, 2007

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (Schimek, 27)

Title: Require an initiative and referendum petition circulator to wear an identification badge

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Advanced to General File with Amendments

X Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

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

Proponents:

Senator DiAnna Schimek
 Pat Loontjer
 Ruth Lienemann
 Lyle Japp
 Brian Mikkelsen
 Neal Erickson
 Lynn Rex

Representing:

Introducer
 Gambling with the Good Life
 Self
 Gambling with the Good Life, Inc.
 Nebraska State Education Association
 Secretary of State
 League of Nebraska Municipalities

Opponents:

Dimitrij Krynsky
 Susan Smith

 Larry Wright
 Kathy Holkeboer
 Mike Groene
 Linda Aerni
 Gary Heinze
 Paul Schumacher

Representing:

Minuteman
 Self
 Nebraskans Advisory Group
 Self
 Self
 Western Nebraska Taxpayers Association
 Self
 Self
 Self

Neutral:

Steve Willey

Representing:

Validation Services, Inc.

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 40 requires initiative and referendum petition circulators to wear an identification badge when circulating petitions. The badge will have a unique number and brief description of the subject matter of the petition. The person wearing the badge will make sure it is visible by and legible to petition signers.

The principal circulator will provide the identification badge to each person circulating his or her petition. The principal circulator will keep a record of the badges being used and the name and address of each person given a badge. The principal circulator will only make these records available, upon request, to the Secretary of State, the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission, and law enforcement.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Ray Aguilar, Chairperson