

# **Hearing Date:** January 18, 2007 **Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (Pahls)

Title: Change provisions relating to the state's employee suggestion system

## **Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File

X Advanced to General File with Amendments Indefinitely Postponed

## **Vote Results:**

- 6 Yes Senators Aguilar, Friend, Karpisek, Mines, Pahls, Rogert
- 0 No
- 0 Present, not voting
- 2 Absent Senators Adams, Avery

<b>Proponents:</b> Senator Rich Pahls	<b>Representing:</b> Introducer
Opponents:	Representing:
Neutral:	Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 5 amends the employee suggestion program to provide that all state personnel may apply, including agencies and personnel exempted from the State Personnel System.

The bill also raises the minimum award granted from \$25 to \$100 or ten percent of the amount of savings. It also raises the maximum award granted from \$5000 to \$6000 unless a larger amount is granted by the legislature.

## **Explanation of amendments, if any:**

The committee amendment specifies that personnel of the Nebraska state colleges, personnel of the University of Nebraska, agency heads, judges, and elected officials are not eligible to apply to the employee suggestion system.

Senator Ray Aguilar, Chairperson