



**Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007**  
**Committee Statement**  
**LB 632**

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**Hearing Date:** February 20, 2007

**Committee On:** Agriculture

**Introducer(s):** (Dierks)

**Title:** Change provisions relating to the national uniform system of animal identification

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**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:**

6	Yes	Senators Dierks, Preister, McDonald, Karpisek, Dubas, Erdman
0	No	
0	Present, not voting	
2	Absent	Senators Chambers, Wallman

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**Proponents:**

Linda Plummer, Legislative Aide  
John O’Dea  
David Wright  
Terry M. Rothwell  
Craig Head  
Louis Day  
Vern Jantzen  
Larry Williams  
Roy Barta

**Representing:**

Sen. M.L. Dierks, District 40  
Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska  
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Nebraska Farm Bureau  
Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska  
Nebraska Farmers Union  
Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association  
Nebraska Livestock Markets Association

**Opponents:**

Larry E. Sitzman  
Michael Kelsey

**Representing:**

Nebraska Pork Producers Association  
Nebraska Cattlemen

**Neutral:**

Chris Shubert

**Representing:**

Nebraska Department of Agriculture

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 632 amends §54-702 to add clarification that participation by premise owners in the premise registration system expressly authorized under this section is voluntary and to direct the Department of Agriculture to provide a means of removing registrations upon request and that

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the removal from all participating agencies' databases has occurred be confirmed by affidavit from the Department.

Section 2 of the bill amends §54-702.01 to clarify that any disclosure of producer provided information as may be allowed under subsection 1 of this section is subject to state and federal privacy and confidentiality law.

**Explanation of amendments, if any:**

The committee amendments retain the direction that the Department accommodate requests to remove a premise registration but clarify that the Department provide only written confirmation that it has purged premise ID info from its own data base and instructing the Department to cooperate with USDA in removing premise registrations.

The committee amendment also strikes section 2.

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**Senator Philip Erdman, Chairperson**