



**Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Committee Statement
LB 659**

Hearing Date: February 28, 2007
Committee On: Judiciary

Introducer(s): (Pedersen)
Title: Increase the salaries of Supreme Court judges

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:

8	Yes	Sen. Ashford, Sen. Lathrop, Sen. Chambers, Sen. McDonald, Sen. McGill, Sen. Pedersen, Sen. Pirsch, Sen. Schimek
	No	
	Present, not voting	
	Absent	

Proponents:

Sen. Pedersen
Honorable Judge Marcena Hendrix
Chief Justice Heavican
Linda Crump
Karen Fowers
Lauren Schmidt

Representing:

Citizen
Citizen
President of NSBA
Nebraska District Judges Association
Citizen

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 659 amends N.R.S. §24-201.01 to provide for an increase in the salaries of Supreme Court judges in Nebraska.

Current law provides that the salary of the Chief Justice and judges of the Supreme Court is \$126,846. LB 761 provides for an increase in the salary of such judges to \$133,505.41

beginning July 1, 2007 and an increase to \$140,514.01 beginning July 1, 2008. The changes reflect an approximate 5.25% increase annually for two consecutive years.

LB 659 contains an emergency clause.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Brad Ashford, Chairperson