

**ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION -
2008**

COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB757

Hearing Date: January 31, 2008

Committee On: Revenue

Introducer(s): (Hudkins)

Title: Adopt the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

6 Yes	Senators Burling, Dierks, Janssen, Preister, Raikes and White
2 No	Senators Cornett and Langemeier
0 Absent	
0 Present, not voting	

Proponents:

Senator Carol Hudkins, Introducer
Bruce Beins

Kyle Ienn

Lynn Rex
Richard Uhl
Timothy L. Shanks
Bob Rose

Tom Hamernik
Jerry Stilmock

Representing:

District 21
Nebraska EMS Association, Nebraska
Hospital Association
Ralston Fire Dept., Nebraska Volunteer
Firefighters Association
League of Nebraska Municipalities
LaVista Fire & Rescue Department
Syracuse Rescue Service
Edgar Fire Dept., Hastings Area Mutual Aid
Association
Clarkson Volunteer Fire Department
NE State Volunteer Firefighters Association

Opponents:
None

Representing:

Neutral:
None

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or change:

LB 757 would have amended section 77-2715.07 to grant a \$500 refundable individual income tax credit for individuals who qualify as active emergency responders, active rescue squad members, or active volunteer firefighters. The qualifications were established by sections 1 through 5 of the bill. Essentially, the individuals were to be approved by the authority in control of a volunteer fire department and meet criteria based points awarded for certain service, training and other activities to receive the credit.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Ray Janssen, Chairperson