

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

**LB790**

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**Hearing Date:** January 22, 2008  
**Committee On:** Agriculture

**Introducer(s):** (Erdman)  
**Title:** Change buffer strip reimbursement provisions

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advance to General File

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**Vote Results:**

7 Yes	Senators Dierks, Dubas, Erdman, Karpisek, McDonald, Preister, and Wallman
0 No	
1 Absent	Senator Chambers
0 Present, not voting	

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**Proponents:**

Rick Leonard  
Scott Merritt  
Rich Reiman  
Neil Moseman

**Opponents:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

Introducer, Research Analyst, Agriculture Committee  
Nebraska Corn Growers Association  
Nebraska Department of Agriculture  
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**Representing:**

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

LB 790 amends §2-5109 of the Nebraska Buffer Strip Act to increase the statutory maximum annual compensation that may be made available to landowners owners contracting to manage eligible lands as buffer strips. Currently, the statutory cap is set at \$150 / acre. The bill increases this maximum to \$250 / acre.

**Explanation of amendments, if any:**

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Senator Philip Erdman, Chairperson