

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

COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB917

Hearing Date: February 05, 2008

Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications

Introducer(s): (Fischer)

Title: Provide an exception to vehicle weight limits for idle reduction technology

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

8 Yes Senators Aguilar, Fischer, Hudkins, Lautenbaugh,
Louden, Pedersen, Schimek, Stuthman

0 No

0 Absent

0 Present, not voting

Proponents:

Dusty Vaughan, Introducer
Larry Johnson

Representing:

Senator Deb Fischer, District 43
Nebraska Trucking Association

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or change:

LB 917 provides for an increase of up to 400 pounds for vehicles equipped with idle reduction technology from the maximum gross weight limit and the axle weight limit.

The bill inserts a definition of idle reduction technology into the motor vehicle statutes. This technology allows a commercial truck driver to provide heat, air conditioning, or electricity without operating the main engine.

The maximum gross weight limit and the axle weight limit for any vehicle equipped with idle reduction technology may be increased by the weight of the technology, but in no case by more than 400 pounds. This additional weight is not in addition to the five percent in excess of maximum load provision permitted in current statute.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Deb Fischer, Chairperson