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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 1115**

Introduced by Erdman, 47.

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Committee: Agriculture

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to agriculture; to amend section 2-103, Revised  
2 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2006; to change Nebraska  
3 State Fair Board membership; and to repeal the original  
4 section.

5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1. Section 2-103, Revised Statutes Cumulative  
2 Supplement, 2006, is amended to read:

3           2-103 (1) ~~No later than May 1, 2003,~~ Beginning May 1,  
4 2009, the Nebraska State Fair Board shall be a board consisting of  
5 the following members:

6           (a) Seven members nominated and selected by district as  
7 provided in the constitution and bylaws of the board; and

8           (b) Four members appointed by the Governor and confirmed  
9 by the Legislature, ~~two selected to represent the business~~  
10 ~~community of the city of Lincoln,~~ ~~one selected to represent~~  
11 ~~the business community of Omaha,~~ ~~and one~~ three members selected to  
12 represent the business community of the state at large, with one  
13 such member residing in each of the three congressional districts,  
14 as such districts existed on the effective date of this act and  
15 one member selected to represent the business community of the host  
16 community of the state fair with such member residing in the host  
17 community.

18           (2) The term of office for members of the board shall  
19 be for three years. Members selected by gubernatorial appointment  
20 pursuant to subdivision (1)(b) of this section as it existed prior  
21 to the effective date of this act who continue to be qualified  
22 to serve shall continue their term of appointment and shall be  
23 eligible for reappointment subject to the limit of terms served  
24 prescribed in subsection (3) of this section. In the event that the  
25 state fair is relocated to a new host community, the term of the

1 member appointed or designated to represent the business community  
2 of the previous host community shall be vacated and the Governor  
3 shall appoint a new member to represent the business community of  
4 the new host community to fulfill the remainder of the term of the  
5 vacating member. ~~7 except that the terms of the initial members~~  
6 ~~shall be as follows:~~

7           ~~(a) The terms of office for the seven members selected~~  
8 ~~pursuant to subdivision (1)(a) of this section shall be for~~  
9 ~~one, two, or three years as determined by lot, with two members~~  
10 ~~appointed to a term of one year, two members appointed to a term of~~  
11 ~~two years, and three members appointed to a term of three years,~~  
12 ~~and~~

13           ~~(b) The terms of office for the members appointed~~  
14 ~~pursuant to subdivision (1)(b) of this section shall be for~~  
15 ~~one, two, or three years, as designated by the Governor, with two~~  
16 ~~members appointed to a term of one year, one member appointed to~~  
17 ~~a term of two years, and one member appointed to a term of three~~  
18 ~~years.~~

19           (3) No person may serve more than three consecutive terms  
20 as a member of the board. ~~7 except that members of the State Board~~  
21 ~~of Agriculture having served or serving in an executive capacity~~  
22 ~~may only serve on the Nebraska State Fair Board for one term of~~  
23 ~~three years.~~ No member of the Legislature may serve on the board.

24           (4) The board shall annually elect from its membership  
25 a chairperson, a vice-chairperson, a secretary, and such other

1 officers as the board deems necessary. The officers shall be  
2 elected at the annual meeting of the board, or any other meeting of  
3 the board called for such purpose, and shall hold their offices for  
4 one year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

5 (5) ~~The chairperson of the Nebraska Arts Council~~  
6 ~~and the chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, or~~  
7 ~~their designees, shall be ex officio members~~ The State 4-H  
8 Program Administrator of the Cooperative Extension Service of the  
9 University of Nebraska, or his or her designee, shall be an ex  
10 officio, nonvoting member of the Nebraska State Fair Board.

11 Sec. 2. Original section 2-103, Revised Statutes  
12 Cumulative Supplement, 2006, is repealed.