

Chairperson:	Ray Janssen
Committee:	Revenue
Date of Hearing:	February 21, 2008

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Under current law, irrevocable planned gifts to Nebraska permanent endowments are eligible for a tax credit equal to 15% of present value of the gift. LB 983 would a.) revise the credit to make it more effective and b.) place a cap on the cumulative amount of credits that could be eligible in any calendar year.

Under LB 983, the credit would be 50% of the present value of a planned gift by an individual or S Corporation with a maximum of \$10,000 per year. There would be a 25% credit for cash gifts by individuals and S Corporations, with a \$5,000 maximum, and a 50% credit for cash gifts by C Corporations with a maximum of \$10,000. The credits could be carried forward five years.

The maximum credits available under the program in a calendar year would be \$5,000,000. The act would be effective January 1, 2008 and would sunset on January 1, 2016.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Abbie Cornett