

ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB1031

Hearing Date: Thursday February 18, 2010
Committee On: Revenue
Introducer: Dierks
One Liner: Change tax levy authority relating to natural resources districts

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:
Aye: 8 Senators Adams, Cornett, Dierks, Hadley, Louden, Pirsch, White, Utter
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Senator Cap Dierks Kent O. Miller Milt Moravek Kristen Gottschalk Dennis Schueth John K. Hansen	Representing: Introducer Twin Platte NRD, Nebraska Association of Resources Districts Central Platte NRD Nebraska Rural Electric Association Upper Elkhorn NRD Nebraska Farmers Union
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Opponents: **Representing:**

Neutral: **Representing:**

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1031 would eliminate the Fiscal Year 2011-12 sunset date that allows a qualified natural resources district (NRD) to levy a property tax of up to three cents per \$100 of taxable value within the district for certain specified purposes.

Section 1: Would eliminate the Fiscal Year 2011-12 sunset date in Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 2-3225(c), which grants a NRD located in a river basin, subbasin, or reach that has been determined to be fully appropriated or designated overappropriated by the Department of Natural Resources authority to levy an additional property tax of up to three cents per \$100 of taxable value for purposes of administering and implementing ground water management activities and integrated management activities under the Nebraska Ground Water Management and Protection Act.

Section 2: Would eliminate the Fiscal Year 2011-12 sunset date in Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 77-3442(4)(c), which grants a NRD located in a river basin, subbasin, or reach that has been determined to be fully appropriated or designated overappropriated by the Department of Natural Resources authority to exceed its property tax levy limit to accommodate an additional property tax of up to three cents per \$100 of taxable value for purposes of administering and implementing ground water management activities and integrated management activities under the Nebraska Ground Water Management and Protection Act.

Section 3: Would reenact statute sections amended by the bill.

Explanation of amendments:

The Revenue Committee amendment extends the sunset date under current law from fiscal year 2011-12 to fiscal year 2016-17 for purposes of both:

(1) The authority given by Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 2-3225(1)(c) to certain natural resources districts to levy the additional property tax of up to three cents per \$100 of taxable value within the natural resources district, as provided for by current law, and to exceed their restricted funds budgeted to administer and implement certain ground water management activities and integrated management activities, as provided for by current law; and

(2) The authority given by Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 77-3442(4)(c) to certain natural resources districts to exceed their property tax levy limit for purposes of levying the additional property tax of up to three cents per \$100 of taxable value within the natural resources district, as provided for by current law.

Abbie Cornett, Chairperson