ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB1039

Hearing Date: Thursday February 11, 2010

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Fulton

One Liner: Adopt the Fire Extinguishing Certification Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Avery, Giese, Janssen, Karpisek, Krist, Price, Sullivan

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator Pahls

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Tony Fulton Introducer

R. J. Lipert

NAACO - General Fire and Safety Equipment Company

Jerry Stilmock

Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters Association

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1039 adopts the Fire Extinguishing Certification Act.

Under the bill, it will be unlawful for a person to engage in the servicing of a portable fire extinguisher or a pre-engineered fire-extinguishing system in any type of occupancy regulated by the State Fire Marshal without prior certification.

Application for certification for such servicing will be made to the State Fire Marshal. Each applicant will submit proof of manufacturer certification or other recognized certification and proof of general liability insurance. The State Fire Marshal may require a fee of up to \$100 for the certification.

The State Fire Marshal may refuse to renew, revoke or suspend certification for negligence or for material misrepresentation by the applicant.

Portable fire extinguishers and pre-engineered fire-extinguishing systems will be serviced following the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association codes. An approved tag will be affixed following each inspection.

A copy of the most recent report on a portable fire extinguisher or a pre-engineered fire-extinguisher system will be provided to the State Fire Marshal.

The bill defines: acceptable test, portable fire extinguisher, portable fire extinguisher servicing, pre-engineered fire-extinguishing system, and pre-engineered fire-extinguishing system servicing.

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Bill Avery, Chairperson