

ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB127

Hearing Date: Wednesday March 11, 2009
Committee On: Revenue
Introducer: Avery
One Liner: Exempt college textbooks and school expenses from sales tax as prescribed

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Utter, Louden, Hadley, Friend, Dierks, Adams, Cornett
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator White
Present Not Voting:		

Proponents:

Senator Bill Avery
Jim Otto
Sarah Fech

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Retail Federation
Association of Students at UNL

Opponents:

Jack Cheloha

Representing:

City of Omaha

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 127 had two aspects. First, the bill would have exempted certain books from sales tax. Books exempted would have been any book ever recommended for reading for a course at an institution of higher education.

Second, the bill would have created an annual sales tax holiday for certain items. The exempted items would have been clothing with a value of less than \$100 per item, school supplies with a per item price of less than \$100, and computers selling for less than \$1,500.

Abbie Cornett, Chairperson