

**ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB161**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday March 11, 2009  
**Committee On:** Revenue  
**Introducer:** Pahls  
**One Liner:** Adopt the Business Provided Sales Tax Holiday Act

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Indefinitely postponed

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Adams, Cornett, Dierks, Friend, Hadley, Loudon, Utter
<b>Nay:</b>		
<b>Absent:</b>	1	Senator White
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Proponents:**

Senator Rich Pahls

**Representing:**

Introducer

**Opponents:**

Ron Sedlacek

**Representing:**

Nebraska Chamber of Commerce, Nebraska Retail  
Federaton  
Nebraska Grocery Industry Association

Kathy Siefken

**Neutral:**

Jack Cheloha

**Representing:**

City of Omaha

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 161 would have created statutory authority for a type of sales tax holiday for consumers of retail goods. Under this proposed change in current sales tax law, retailers could have advertised a sales tax holiday in which they agreed to pay the sales tax for the consumers of their products. This could have occurred only on the first weekend in August of each year. Under this act, the retailers would have been required to pay state and local government the sales tax owed on the purchase price paid by the consumer.

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Abbie Cornett, Chairperson