ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB168

Hearing Date: Wednesday January 28, 2009

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Avery

One Liner: Provide for reverse auctions by the state purchasing bureau

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Avery, Giese, Karpisek, Pahls, Pirsch, Price, Sullivan

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting: 1 Senator Janssen

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Bill Avery Introducer

Laura Peterson Department of Administrative Services

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 168 allows the state purchasing bureau to use a reverse auction to acquire goods if the bureau determines it would be advantageous to the state.

Reverse auction is defined as a process in which a) bidders compete to provide goods in an open and interactive environment, b) the bids are opened and made public immediately, and c) bidders are given opportunity to submit revised bids until process is complete.

If the bureau conducts a reverse auction, it will provide notification of the intent to use reverse auction and an award will be made to the lowest responsible bidder. The bureau may contract with a third-party vendor to conduct a reverse auction.

Bill Avery,	Chairperson