

ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB22

Hearing Date: Monday February 23, 2009
Committee On: Education
Introducer: Friend
One Liner: Change tax levy authority of educational service units and school districts

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Adams, Ashford, Cornett, Giese, Haar, Howard, Sullivan
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Avery
Present Not Voting:		

Proponents:

Senator Mike Friend
Stephen Curtiss
John Lindsay

Representing:

Introducer
Self
Omaha Public Schools

Opponents:

Jerry Beach
Steve Shanahan
Gil Kettelhut
Matt Blomstedt

Representing:

Fort Calhoun Community Schools
Blair Community Schools
NE Council School Administrators and ESU #3
ESU Coordinating Council

Neutral:

Brian Hale

Representing:

NASB

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 22 would shift \$0.015 of levy authority from educational service units (ESU's) to member school districts if the ESU had member school districts which were also members of a learning community.

Section 77-3442 would be amended by allowing a school district to levy an additional \$0.015 if the school district is served by an ESU that does not have levy authority. Educational service units that have member school districts which are members of a learning community would not have levy authority. Currently, only single district ESU's are denied levy authority and only after the 2012-13 fiscal year.

Section 79-1225 would also be amended by excluding ESU's that have member school districts which are members of a learning community from having levy authority.
