

**ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB286**

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**Hearing Date:** Monday March 02, 2009  
**Committee On:** General Affairs  
**Introducer:** General Affairs  
**One Liner:** Change distribution of lottery funds

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Coash, Cook, Dierks, Dubas, Friend, Karpisek, Price, Rogert  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Proponents:**

Joshua Eickmeier  
Jim Haynes  
J. Ritchie Morrow  
Mark Brohman  
Joseph McDermott

**Representing:**

Senator Russ Karpisek  
NE Lottery  
Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education  
NE Environmental Trust  
NE State Fair Board

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

LB 286 eliminates a sunset date in a provision of the State Lottery Act governing how funds are to be distributed to Lottery beneficiaries. LB 286 requires that the dollar amount transferred to beneficiary funds shall equal the greater of (a) the dollar amount transferred to the funds in fiscal year 2002-03, which amounts to approximately \$20.2 million, or (b) any amount which constitutes at least twenty-two percent and no more than twenty-five percent of the dollar amount of the lottery tickets which have been sold on an annualized basis. To the extent that funds are available, the Tax Commissioner and Lottery Director may authorize a transfer exceeding twenty-five percent of the dollar amount of the lottery tickets sold on an annualized basis.

Details

Page 2, Line 18 Strike "(2) (a)" and Add "(2)".

Page 2, Line 18 - Page 2, Line 19 Strike "and until July 1, 2009,".

Page 2, Line 24 - Page 3, Line 7 Add ". The dollar amount transferred pursuant to this subsection shall equal the greater of (a) the dollar amount transferred to the funds in fiscal year 2002-03 or (b) any amount which constitutes at least twenty-two percent and no more than twenty-five percent of the dollar amount of the lottery tickets which have been sold on an annualized basis. To the extent that funds are available, the Tax Commissioner and director may authorize a transfer exceeding twenty-five percent of the dollar amount of the lottery tickets sold on an annualized basis."

Page 3, Lines 7 - 16 Strike ", except that the dollar amount transferred shall not be less than the dollar amount transferred to the funds in fiscal year 2002-03. (b) On and after July 1, 2009, at least twenty-five percent of the dollar amount of the lottery tickets which have been sold on an annualized basis shall be transferred from the State Lottery Operation Trust Fund to the Education Innovation Fund, the Nebraska Scholarship Fund, the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund, the Nebraska State Fair Board, and the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund."

Page 7, Line 12 Adds "Sec. 2. This act becomes operative on June 30, 2009."

Page 7, Lines 15-16 Adds "Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when passed and approved according to law."

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Russ Karpisek, Chairperson