ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB386

Hearing Date: Friday March 20, 2009

Committee On: Revenue **Introducer:** Pahls

One Liner: Change and suspend sales tax exemptions, change collection fees, change tax rates, state intent

relating to property tax relief

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Adams, Cornett, Dierks, Friend, Hadley, Louden, Utter, White

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Proponents:Representing:Senator Rich PahlsIntroducerJohn S. McCollisterHimself

Opponents: Representing:

Jim Cunningham Nebraska Catholic Conference

Thomas O'Neill Association of Independent Colleges & Universities of

Nebraska

Kathy Siefken

Ron Sedlacek

Jay Rempe

Nebraska Grocery Industry Association

Nebraska Chamber of Commerce

Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation

Nebraska Power Association

Shelley Sahling-Zart Nebraska Power Association

Phil Phillips Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce
Lynn Rex League of Nebraska Municipalities

Neutral: Representing:

Greg Lemon Nebraska Tax Research Council

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 386 would have eliminated all sales tax exemptions, suspended certain motor vehicle taxes and fees for a period of time, reduced the state sales tax rate for a period of time, altered the sales tax collection fee, and reduced the corporate income tax rate to zero. Property taxpayers were to receive a credit equal to their full liability under the bill for a period of time. The reduction in the taxes made by LB 386 was assumed to be paid for by the removal of exemptions in the sales tax code.

Abbie Cornett, Chairperson