

ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB410

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 25, 2009
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Karpisek
One Liner: Change provisions relating to recounts of elections

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	5	Senators Avery, Giese, Karpisek, Krist, Price
Nay:	1	Senator Sullivan
Absent:	1	Senator Pahls
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator Janssen

Proponents:

Senator Russ Karpisek
Don Eret
Christine Reiser
George Burrows
Jack Gould

Representing:

Introducer
Self
Citizens Coalition
Self
Common Cause

Opponents:

Sandra Stelling
Dave Phipps
Diane Olmer

Dave Shively
Neal Erickson

Representing:

Clerks/Register of Deeds/Election Commissioners
Douglas County Election Commissioner
Platte County Election Commissioner and NACO
Election Law Committee
Lancaster County Election Commissioner
Secretary of State

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 410 allows any candidate who failed to be nominated or elected to request a manual recount at his or her expense. The recount will be conducted by the county canvassing board. The requesting candidate may provide the filing officer with a list of up to ten election precincts to be recounted first and may waive the balance of the recount after these precincts have been recounted.

The cost of the recount will be determined for both the county and the listed precincts by the county election official. If the recount involves more than one county, the county election official will certify the cost to the Secretary of State who will notify the candidate of the determined cost of each county and for the listed precincts.

Currently, recounts are conducted using the same procedure as those used for ballots on election day.

Bill Avery, Chairperson