ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB533

Hearing Date: Thursday March 12, 2009

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Price

One Liner: Change expense reimbursement provisions for state employees, state officers, and others

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Avery, Giese, Janssen, Karpisek, Pahls, Pirsch, Price, Sullivan

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Scott Price Introducer

Laura Peterson Department of Administrative Services

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 533 changes expense reimbursement provisions for state employees and officers.

Under LB 533, state officers and employees will be required to present request for payment to the Director of Administrative Services not later than 60 days after the final day on which expenses were incurred. Currently, the reimbursement must be requested each month. Each request will be fully itemized including the amount, date, place, and essential character of the expense incurred.

The bill changes provisions relating to reimbursement for mileage by automobile. When requesting reimbursement for travel by automobile, the request will include the license plate number, the total miles traveled and the rate per mile. The language requiring information of the owner of the automobile used is eliminated.

Finally. the exception that meals do not require receipts for reimbursement is eliminated.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment adds an emergency clause to the bill.

Bill Avery, Chairperson