

ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB539

Hearing Date: Thursday March 05, 2009
Committee On: Revenue
Introducer: Coash
One Liner: Authorize a refund of sales tax on certain residential building products

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Utter, Louden, Hadley, Friend, Dierks, Cornett, Adams
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator White
Present Not Voting:		

Proponents:

Senator Colby Coash
W. Cecil Steward
Michael Snodgrass
Kenneth C. Winston
Korby M. Gilbertson

Lynn Fisher

Representing:

Introducer
Joslyn Institute for Sustainable Communities
NeighborWorks Lincoln
Nebraska Sierra Club
Nebraska Realtors Association, Nebraska State
Homebuilders Association
Great Place Properties

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 539 would have allowed a sales tax refund of up to \$1,000 per year for external refurbishment of owner-occupied residential dwellings. The refund was only available if the dwelling was located in an area designated as blighted by a city government. The blighted designation by city ordinance could have been made solely for purposes of this refund program. Areas already designated as blighted under tax increment financing provisions may have also qualified for refunds.

Abbie Cornett, Chairperson