

ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB768

Hearing Date: Friday January 22, 2010
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Stuthman
One Liner: Provide for the termination of township boards as prescribed

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Avery, Giese, Janssen, Karpisek, Krist, Price, Sullivan
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Pahls
Present Not Voting:		

Proponents:

Senator Arnie Stuthman
Larry Dix
Dennis Kimbrough

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Association of County Officials
Fillmore County - NACO

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 768 allows a county board of supervisors to terminate a township board if the township board has become inactive. When two or more township board positions are vacant and the county board has been unable to fill those positions for six or more months, the township is considered inactive.

The county board will hold a public hearing on the issue of termination after giving notice. If there have been no appointments to the township board within 30 days after the public hearing, the county board may adopt a resolution to terminate the township board on the following June 30.

Between the date of the public hearing and the termination of the township board, no tax distributions will be made to the township. Those funds will be held by the county and disbursed only to pay obligations of the township board. All claims against the township board will be filed with the county clerk and heard by the county board.

When the township board is terminated, the county board will settle all unfinished business and dispose of all property under ownership of the township. Any remaining township board members serving as of the date of termination will deposit all records, papers and documents relating to the township and certify the amount of the outstanding indebtedness. The county board will levy a tax upon taxable property within the township to pay such debts.

If more than 50% of the township boards in a county have been terminated, the county board will file a resolution supporting the discontinuance of the township organization.

Bill Avery, Chairperson