

**ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB906**

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**Hearing Date:** Monday February 01, 2010  
**Committee On:** General Affairs  
**Introducer:** Karpisek  
**One Liner:** Eliminate restrictions on sales of alcohol near certain places

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 7 Senators Coash, Cook, Dubas, Karpisek, Krist, Price, Rogert  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:** 1 Senator Dierks

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**Proponents:**

Senator Russ Karpisek  
Hobert Rupe  
Kathy Siefken  
Jay Vavricek  
Timothy Keigher  
  
Jim Otto

**Representing:**

Introducer  
NE Liquor Control Commission  
NE Grocery Industry Association  
Self  
NE Petroleum Marketers & Convenience Store  
Association  
NE Retail Federation & NE Restaurant Association

**Opponents:**

Margie Magnuson  
Darryl Hutton  
Benjamin Rice  
Diane Riibe  
Ron Drury

**Representing:**

Self  
Self  
Partners for Otoe County  
Project Extra Mile  
Self

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 906 amends section 53-177(1) of the Liquor Control Act by eliminating the prohibition of liquor licenses for the sale at retail of any alcoholic liquor within one hundred and fifty feet of any church, hospital, or home for aged or indigent persons or for veterans, their wives or children. LB 906 leaves in the prohibition of liquor licenses for the sale at retail of any alcoholic liquor within one hundred and fifty feet of any school.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

AM 2056 to LB 906 would allow the Liquor Control Commission to grant a liquor license for an establishment located within 150 feet of a church. Under current law, no liquor license shall be issued for an establishment located within 150 feet of a church. AM 2056 would require that a hearing be held and notice provided to the affected church

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Russ Karpisek, Chairperson