

**ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB176**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 17, 2011  
**Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Introducer:** Avery  
**One Liner:** Authorize the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission to order violators to pay hearing costs

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

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Avery, Brasch, Janssen, Karpisek, Price, Schumacher, Sullivan
<b>Nay:</b>		
<b>Absent:</b>	1	Senator Pahls
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Proponents:**

Senator Bill Avery  
Frank Daley  
Jack Gould

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission  
Common Cause Nebraska

**Opponents:**

J. L. Spray  
Lynn Rex

**Representing:**

Self  
League of Nebraska Municipalities

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

LB 176 allows the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission to issue an order requiring a person who has been found to violate the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act to pay the costs of the hearing in a contested case.

The funds received under this bill will be deposited into the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission Cash Fund.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

The committee amendment provides that only violators who did not appear at the hearing personally or by counsel may be subject to an order requiring them to pay the costs of the hearing.

