

**ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB308**

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**Hearing Date:** Tuesday January 25, 2011  
**Committee On:** Urban Affairs  
**Introducer:** Urban Affairs  
**One Liner:** Provide terms of office for certain municipal officers

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

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 7 Senators Ashford, Coash, Cook, Krist, McGill, Schumacher, Smith  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Proponents:**

Laurie Holman  
Gary Krumland

**Representing:**

Urban Affairs Committee  
League of Nebraska Municipalities

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

LB 308 provides for terms of office for appointed officials in cities of the second class and clarifies terms of office in villages.

LB 308 amends Neb.Rev.Stat. § 17-107 to clarify when the term of a mayor begins in a city of the second class, and provides that the terms of office for officers appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the council shall be established by the city council by ordinance for cities of the second class. The ordinance shall provide that either (a) the officers hold the office to which they have been appointed until the end of the mayor's term of office and until their successors are appointed and qualified unless sooner removed, or (b) the officers shall hold office for one year unless sooner removed.

LB 308 also amends Neb.Rev.Stat. §17-208 to clarify that the term of office for villages is one year.

Additionally, this bill puts the current statutory language regarding the appointment and discipline of police officers into one subsection to avoid confusion and to separate the provisions relating to police officers from the provisions for appointed officials.

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