ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB369

Hearing Date: Thursday February 24, 2011

Committee On: Natural Resources

Introducer: Howard

One Liner: Require state agencies to develop and implement energy conservation plans

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Carlson, Christensen, Dubas, Langemeier, McCoy, Schilz,

Smith

Nay: 1 Senator Haar

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Gwen Howard Introducer
Robert Byrnes NRES; NREA

Richard Hedrick Self

Ken Winston Nebraska Sierra Club

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Ginger Willson Nebraska Energy Office

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 369 would have required state agencies to develop and implement energy conservation plans.

Section 1 creates new language requiring state agencies to develop and implement an energy conservation plan and to set a percentage goal for reducing use of electricity. The plan is to include use of "switchable power strips." Plans are due to the Energy Office by December 1, 2011 and the agencies are to report their progress annually.

Section 2 amends 81-1603, relating to Energy Office powers, by authorizing the compilation of agencies' conservation plans for distribution to the Governor and Legislature.

Section 3 repeals the original section.

Chris Langemeier, Chairperson