

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB407

Hearing Date: Monday January 31, 2011
Committee On: General Affairs
Introducer: Karpisek
One Liner: Provide for mail and electronic delivery of certain notices under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Bloomfield, Brasch, Coash, Karpisek, Krist, Larson, McGill, Schumacher
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Proponents:

Sen. Russ Karpisek
Hobie Rupe

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Liquor Control Commission

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 407 eliminates the requirement that the Liquor Control Commission correspond with municipalities regarding license applications through certified mail. The Commission would be able to instead correspond through regular mail and electronic delivery. Correspondence with other entities or individuals could be done through mail and electronic means if prior consent is given.

The Commission recommended this change to the Liquor Control Act in order to reduce its certified mail budget.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment contains the provisions of LB249 and LB336.

LB249 would allow for a liquor license within 300 feet of a post-secondary campus, but would not allow a license if the property is surrounded by the university.

Testifiers for LB249:

Proponents:

Sen. Russ Karpisek, Introducer
Hobie Rupe, Liquor Control Commission
Ron Withem, University of Nebraska
Owen Yardley, University of Nebraska - Lincoln

Opponents:

Diane Riibe, Project Extra Mile

Neutral:

None

LB336 would allow certain Liquor Control Commission employees to obtain part-time work at a business that holds a liquor license, unless that business receives more than 50% of its gross revenue from the sale or dispensing of alcohol.

Testifiers for LB336:

Proponents:

Sen. Russ Karpisek, Introducer

Hobie Rupe, Nebraska Liquor Control Commission

Opponents:

None

Neutral:

None

Russ Karpisek, Chairperson