

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB606

Hearing Date: Wednesday March 02, 2011
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Avery
One Liner: Require reporting of electioneering communication under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Avery, Brasch, Karpisek, Price, Schumacher, Sullivan
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Pahls
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator Janssen

Proponents:

Senator Bill Avery
Frank Daley
Jack Gould

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission
Common Cause Nebraska

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 606 requires any person who makes an electioneering communication in the amount of more than \$250 to file a report of the electioneering communication with the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission (commission). These reporting requirements are similar for those who make an independent expenditure.

Similarly, if a corporation, labor organization or business association makes an electioneering communication with a value of more than \$250, it will file a report with the commission including the nature, date, and value of the electioneering communication and the name of the candidate identified in the electioneering communication.

Electioneering communication is defined to mean any communication that: refers to a clearly identified candidate; is publicly distributed in the 30 days before an election; and is directed to the electorate of the office sought by the clearly identified candidate.

Electioneering communication does not include: a contribution or expenditure; a communication by media; a candidate debate, or a communication by a membership organization to the organization's members.
