

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011

COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB84

Hearing Date: Thursday February 10, 2011
Committee On: Revenue
Introducer: Fischer
One Liner: Adopt the Build Nebraska Act and authorize bonds for the highway system

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

Vote Results:
Aye: 7 Senators Cornett, Fischer, Hadley, Louden, Pankonin, Pirsch, Utter
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting: 1 Senator Adams

Proponents:

Sen. Deb Fischer
Loy Todd
Richard Reiser
Karl Fredrickson
Robert Hallstrom
Ernie Mehl
Deb Cottier
Bob Stubbe
Mark Lippencott
Pete McClymont
Marlene Johnson
Shane Weidner
Curt Smith
Jerry Johnson
Dan Park
Jon Edwards
Dan Thiel
Greg MacLean
Lynn Rex
Neal Suess
Kristen Gottschalk
Coby Mach
Tom Schommer

Representing:

Introducer
NE New Car and Truck Dealers Assoc.
Omaha Chamber of Commerce
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce
NE Bankers Assoc.
NE Farm Bureau Federation
Heartland Expressway Assoc.
City of Omaha
NE Petroleum Marketers
NE Cattlemen
NE Expressways for Economic Development
City of Norfolk
NE Chapter, Assoc. of General Contractors
NE Expressways for Economic Development
American Council of Engineering Companies
NE Assoc. of County Officials
Professional Engineers Assoc.
City of Lincoln
League of NE Municipalities
Columbus Chamber of Commerce
NE Rural Electric Assoc.
Lincoln Independent Business Assoc.
Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce

Opponents:

Richard Halvorsen

Representing:

Self

Neutral:

Robert Kuzelka

Representing:

Self

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The bill creates the Build Nebraska Act. This act would result in a greater investment in surface transportation infrastructure. This larger investment will be financed with bonded debt. The bill will also dedicate a portion of the state sales tax to financing this investment in surface transportation infrastructure.

Explanation of amendments:

The Committee amended LB 84 to add language to the bill on page 3. This additional language changes the language on use of a 15 million dollar funding amount found in the original bill to read;

"as determined by the department, for construction of the expressway system and federally designated high priority corridors".

Abbie Cornett, Chairperson