ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2012 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LR377CA

Hearing Date: Tuesday February 07, 2012 **Committee On:** Executive Board

Introducer: Avery

One Liner: Constitutional amendment to terminate legislative compensation provisions and provide for creation

of a compensation commission for state constitutional officers and members of the Legislature

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Christensen, Fischer, Flood, Karpisek, Nelson, Pahls,

Wightman

Nay:

Absent: 2 Senators Langemeier, Lathrop

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Bill Avery Introducer

Adam Morfeld Nebraskans For Civic Reform

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LR 377CA proposes to terminate the portion of Article III, section 7 of the Nebraska Constitution that deals with legislative salary and expenses, effective the first Monday in January 2015.

LR 377CA then proposes to amend Article III, section 19 to authorize the Legislature to establish a compensation commission. The commission would establish the salary, travel expenses, and benefit provisions for state constitutional officers (Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer, and Attorney General) and for members of the Legislature.

John Wightman, Chairperson