

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB21

Hearing Date: Monday January 28, 2013
Committee On: Business and Labor
Introducer: Lathrop
One Liner: Eliminate a Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act sunset provision for certain benefits

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Chambers, Hansen, Harr, Lathrop, McGill, Wallman
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Ashford
Present Not Voting:		

Proponents:

Senator Steve Lathrop
David Engler
Michael Dwyer
John Corrigan
Rich Hitz
Jerry Stilmock

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Professional Fire Fighters Association
Nebraska State Volunteer Fire Fighters
Nebraska AFL-CIO
Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys
Nebraska Fire Chiefs Association and Nebraska State
Volunteer Fire Fighters Association

Opponents:

Tim Himes

Representing:

City of Omaha

Neutral:

Michael Nolan

Representing:

League Association of Risk Management

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 21 repeals the June 30, 2014, sunset provision that was included in LB 780. Passed in 2010, LB 780 allows first responders to receive workers' compensation benefits for mental injuries. Before this legislation, mental injuries could only be claimed if accompanied by a corresponding physical injury. The effective date of LB 21 is the same date the law is scheduled to sunset, June 30, 2014.

Steve Lathrop, Chairperson