

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB287

Hearing Date: Tuesday March 05, 2013
Committee On: Agriculture
Introducer: Carlson
One Liner: Change rabies vaccination provisions

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Bloomfield, Chambers, Hansen, Johnson, Schilz, Wallman
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Harr
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator Lathrop

Proponents:

Senator Tom Carlson
Clem Disterhaupt
Penny Fattig
Judith Williamson

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Professional Pet Breeders Association
Self
Self

Opponents:

Melissa Graird-Lemons
Bruce Brodersen
Mick Mines
Laurie Dethloff

Representing:

Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association
Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association
NE Humane Society
Central Nebraska Humane Society

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 287 would amend various provisions of sections 71-4401 to 71-4412 which imposes a duty to vaccinate domestic pets against rabies and prescribing authorities and standards for performance and enforcement of the rabies prevention program. The bill would revise provisions that currently assign exclusive authority to acquire vaccine and to administer vaccination to licensed veterinarians. LB287 would allow these functions to be performed by licensed commercial breeders on their own animals if acting within the supervision of the breeder's veterinary care plan required by section 54-641.02 of the Commercial Dog and Cat Operator Inspection Act. Under the bill, breeders would assume a duty to keep vaccination records with the health records of animals vaccinated and to provide copies of vaccination records to the attending veterinarian.

Ken Schilz, Chairperson