

**ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB435**

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**Hearing Date:** Tuesday February 19, 2013  
**Committee On:** Agriculture  
**Introducer:** Hansen  
**One Liner:** Provide for out-of-state brand permits under the Livestock Brand Act

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

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**Vote Results:**

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

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**Proponents:**

Senator Tom Hansen  
Steve Stanec  
John Hansen  
David Wright  
Melody Benjamin  
James Lee

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraska Brand Committee  
Nebraska Farmers Union  
Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska  
Nebraska Cattlemen  
Nebraska Brand Committee

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 435 would insert two new sections into the Livestock Brand Act. Section 3 of the bill inserts out-of-state brand permit as a new defined term meaning an authorization to utilize a brand registered in another state. Section 4 would authorize owners to apply a brand registered in another state provided the cattle are purchased at a licensed livestock auction market or at another location approved by the Brand Committee, the cattle are branded at that location, the cattle are immediately removed from the state, and an out-of-state brand permit is obtained.

The bill provides for persons to obtain an out-of-state brand permit by application to and issuance by a brand inspector. The bill prescribes information to be provided on the permit, including a description of the brand and payment of a permit fee to be set by the Brand Committee not to exceed \$50. Approval and issuance of a permit is to occur within a reasonable time.

The bill would expressly declare that cattle branded under an out-of-state brand permit remain subject to all other brand inspection requirements of the Nebraska Brand Law.

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Ken Schilz, Chairperson