ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB449

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 27, 2013

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Avery

One Liner: Redefine high elective office for restrictions on multiple office holding

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 5 Senators Avery, Karpisek, Lautenbaugh, Murante, Wallman

Nay: 2 Senators Bloomfield, Scheer

Absent:

Present Not Voting: 1 Senator Price

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Bill Avery Introducer

Jan McKenzie Papio Valley Preservation Association

Opponents: Representing:

Kristen Gottschalk Nebraska Rural Electric Association

Fred Conley Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District and

Nebraska Association of Resource Districts

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 449 adds airport authorities, public power districts, natural resources districts, and the metropolitan utilities district to the definition of high elective office.

Current law provides that no person serving in high elective office shall simultaneously serve in any other high elective office. Therefore, under this bill, members of the boards listed above will not be allowed to serve in any other high elective office simultaneously.

Other high elective offices include: members of the legislature, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, state treasurer, attorney general, public service commission, state board of education, University of Nebraska board of regents, county, city, learning community, community college area, or school district elective office.

The bill also provides that anyone serving in more than one high elective office on the effective date of this act will be allowed to complete the remainder of all terms for which he or she was elected or appointed.

Bill Avery, Chairperson