

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB710

Hearing Date: Thursday January 30, 2014
Committee On: Natural Resources
Introducer: Christensen
One Liner: Provide requirements for entering into certain ground water augmentation projects

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:
Aye: 8 Senators Brasch, Carlson, Dubas, Haar, Johnson, Kolowski, Schilz, Smith
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Proponents:
Senator Mark Christensen
Mike Delka

Representing:
Introducer
Bostwick Irrigation District

Opponents:
Nate Jenkins

Kent Miller

Representing:
Nebraska Association of Resources Districts; Upper
Republican Natural Resources District
Twin Platte Natural Resources District

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 710 would require a natural resources district to hold a public hearing before voting on whether to enter into a ground water augmentation project outside of its geographical boundaries, and would require two-thirds approval vote of the district's board members before entering into any such project.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment removes the requirement that the augmentation project be located outside of the district's geographical boundaries, and removes the two-thirds voting requirement in order to get approval to enter into a project. The committee amendment would just require that a public hearing, with notice provided, be held before voting on whether to enter into an augmentation project.

Tom Carlson, Chairperson