

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB207

Hearing Date: Thursday January 29, 2015
Committee On: Natural Resources
Introducer: Schilz
One Liner: Change provisions relating to civil penalties under the Nebraska Chemigation Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Friesen, Hughes, Johnson, Kolowski, Lindstrom, McCollister, Schilz, Schnoor
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Ken Schilz
John Miyoshi

Pat O'Brien
Jay Rempe

Opponents:

Neutral:

Representing:

Introducer
Lower Platte North Natural Resources District;
Nebraska Association of Resources Districts
Upper Niobrara White Natural Resources District
Nebraska Farm Bureau

Representing:

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Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 207 raises the civil penalties for violations of the Nebraska Chemigation Act from no more than \$1,000 to a base of \$1,000 and a cap of \$5,000 per day, for each day there is a violation.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment, AM 194, caps the civil penalty for a first violation to \$1,000 per day for each site where a violation occurs. For subsequent violations, the penalty range remains \$1,000 to \$5,000 each day, and at each site, where a violation occurs.

Ken Schilz, Chairperson