ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016 COMMITTEE STATEMENT (CORRECTED) LB732

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 19, 2016

Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications

Introducer: Watermeier

One Liner: Change provisions relating to Military Honor Plates

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Brasch, Davis, Friesen, Garrett, McCoy, Murante, Smith,

Seiler

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Dan Watermeier Introducer

John Hilgert Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs

Gregory Holloway Disabled American Veterans and Vietnam Veterans of

America

Gregg Clement U.S. Reservists

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The bill amends provisions of law related to the issuance of Military Honor license plates. Current law provides that individuals who are serving on active duty in the National Guard, the United States Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Air force, or Army or who is a veteran of such service who was honorably discharged shall be eligible to be issued the Military Honor license plate.

The bill amends the section as follows: existing law is amended to provide that an individual who serves or has served on reserve duty, and is otherwise qualified, shall be eligible to be issued the Military Honor plate.

Additionally, the bill amends section 80-414, Department of Veterans' Affairs- establishment of the Nebraska Veteran's Registry. The registry includes: identifying information on an individual's record of active duty in the armed forces of the United States or an individual's status of active duty, retired, discharged or other status.

The section is amended by including in the registry the status indication of reserve duty for individuals who serve, or have served in the reserve

The bill has an operative date of January 1, 2017.

Jim Smith, Chairperson