

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB815

Hearing Date: Thursday March 03, 2016
Committee On: Judiciary
Introducer: Stinner
One Liner: Change provisions relating to petitions for removal of a person's firearms-related disabilities or disqualifications

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Chambers, Coash, Ebke, Krist, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks, Seiler, Williams

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:

SEN. JOHN STINNER
TOM PERKINS
ROD MOELLER
BUB WINDLE

Representing:

INTRODUCER
BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH
NFOA
NE STATE BAR

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB815 would amend 71-963 to clarify the process for removal of restrictions on firearm possession for an individual who has been civilly committed.

The bill provides that the burden of proof is on the petitioner to show that (A) he or she is not likely to act in a manner dangerous to public safety; and (B) removing the petitioner's firearms-related disqualification would not be contrary to the public interest. The bill would require the petitioner to meet the "clear and convincing evidence" standard of proof.

Les Seiler, Chairperson