

**ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB839**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 18, 2016  
**Committee On:** Judiciary  
**Introducer:** Chambers  
**One Liner:** Require background checks and other requirements for persons purchasing certain types of tactical gear

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Indefinitely postponed

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**Vote Results:**

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

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

SEN. ERNIE CHAMBERS

**Representing:**

INTRODUCER

**Opponents:**

ROD MOELLER

**Representing:**

NEBRASKA FIREARMS OWNERS ASSOCIATION

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB839 would impose requirements on any person attempting to purchase or possess tactical gear, military-grade helmets, body armor, night-vision eyewear or scopes, and high-capacity ammunition clips.

The bill would require a person attempting to purchase or possess any of these items to be at least 21 years old, and would require them to pass a background check that is the same as a federal firearm background check. The bill does not include a penalty provision.

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Les Seiler, Chairperson