ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB963

Hearing Date: Friday February 05, 2016
Committee On: Health and Human Services
Introducer: Fox
One Liner: Change provisions relating to area plans and budgets under the Nebraska Community Aging Services Act

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Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Baker, Campbell, Crawford, Fox, Howard, Kolterman, Riepe
Nay:		
Absent:		
Present Not Voting:		

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:	**Representing:**
Senator Nicole Fox	District 7
Calder Lynch	Nebraska DHHS
Mark Intermill	AARP
Opponents:	**Representing:**
Neutral:	**Representing:**

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB963 was brought by the Department of Health and Human Services to comply with changes to the federal Older Americans Act. The bill equalizes the process for how the Area Agencies on Aging fund local programs.

Section-by-section description:
Section 1: Amends the Nebraska Community Services Aging Act to remove 81-2228.
Section 2: Amends 81-2213 to update references to the federal Older Americans Act to appear as "Older Americans Act of 1965, as such act existed on January 1, 2016" instead of the more perpetual reference of "as now or hereafter amended" in multiple places. Requires submission of a 2-year, 3-year, or 4-year area plans and budgets for the area agencies on aging instead of 1- and 5-year plans.
Section 3: Amends 81-2218 to have the statute refer back to state statutes for the frequency of submission for the area plans and budgets.
Section 4: Amends 81-2220 to update additional references to the Older Americans Act.
Section 5: Amends 81-2221 to update additional references to Older Americans Act and the reference to the frequency of submission of the area plans and budgets.
Section 6: Amends 81-2235 to strike the timing requirements on use of funds appropriated to the area agencies that were created after 1987.
Section 7: Repeals original sections.
Section 8: Outright repeals 81-2218.

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Kathy Campbell, Chairperson