

**ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LR403**

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**Hearing Date:** Monday February 08, 2016  
**Committee On:** Executive Board  
**Introducer:** Hansen  
**One Liner:** Provide the Executive Board of the Legislative Council appoint the Election Technology Committee as a special committee of the Legislature

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

Report to the Legislature for further consideration with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 9 Senators Campbell, Chambers, Coash, Hadley, Hughes, Krist, Larson, Murante, Watermeier

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Matt Hansen  
Bri McLarty  
Brad Meurrens  
Larry Dix

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraskans for Civic Reform  
Disability Rights NE  
NACO

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

This resolution creates the Election Technology Committee as a special committee of the Legislature. The committee would consist of seven members, including the chairperson of the Government Committee or his or her designee and the chairperson of the Appropriations Committee or his or her designee.

The purpose of the committee is to conduct a study on the longevity of the technology used by election commissioners and county clerks to conduct elections as of January 1, 2016, and the feasibility of updating or replacing that technology. The resolution outlines specific issues to be reviewed.

The committee's study is to include options for acquiring hardware and software or implementing other methods of voting.

LR403 references representatives that the committee would consult with and request information from.

A report is to be issued to the Legislature no later than December 15, 2016.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

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The committee amendment clarifies that the chairperson of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee shall serve on the Election Technology Committee and shall chair the committee.

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Bob Krist, Chairperson