

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2018
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB1098

Hearing Date: Friday February 02, 2018
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Hilgers
One Liner: Change dollar threshold for certain purchasing requirements under the County Purchasing Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Brewer, Briese, Hilgers, Lowe, Murante, Thibodeau
Nay:	1	Senator Wayne
Absent:		
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator Blood

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:

Beau Ballard
Robert Walla
Elaine Menzel
Brian Zuger

Representing:

Introducer (for Senator Mike Hilgers)
Lancaster County
Nebraska Association of County Officials
Sarpy County Board

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1098 changes dollar thresholds for which purchase bidding process is required under the County Purchasing Act for purchases of personal property or services.

Currently, a sealed bidding process is required if the estimated value is \$20,000 or more. Under the bill, this would increase to \$50,000.

A process of securing and recording at least 3 informal bids is required if the estimated value is between \$5,000 and \$20,000. The bill would increase this to between \$10,000 and \$50,000.

An open market purchase is required if the estimated value is less than \$5,000. The bill would increase this to \$10,000.

John Murante, Chairperson