ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2017 COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB347

Hearing Date:	Tuesday January 31, 2017
Committee On:	Transportation and Telecommunications
Introducer:	Geist
One Liner:	Change provisions relating to school bus permits and qualifications

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye:	8	Senators Bostelman, Briese, Friesen, Geist, Hilgers, Hughes, Murante, Smith
		Sinai
Nay:		
Absent:		
Present Not Voting:		

Verbal Testimony:	
Proponents:	Representing:
Senator Suzanne Geist	District 25
Rhonda Lahm	Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles
Nicole Fox	Platte Institute
Ken Ostronic	General Drivers & Helpers Local #554
Opponents:	Representing:
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Neutral:	Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 347 eliminates the requirement in law that any person who shall operate a school bus must first possess a school bus operator's permit. The permit currently issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Any person who shall operate of a school bus still obtain a physician's examination that shows the individual meets physical and mental standards established by the State Board of Education, and if the motor vehicle to be operated requires a commercial driver's license (CDL), must possess a valid CDL with the appropriate endorsements.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee considered and adopted an amendment which accomplishes the following:

On page, 7, lines 16 through 20 unneeded language relating to requirements to be followed after the school bus operator's permit has been issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles is stricken.

Curt Friesen, Chairperson