

**ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2018**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB775**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday January 31, 2018  
**Committee On:** Appropriations  
**Introducer:** Stinner  
**One Liner:** Adopt the State Park System Construction Alternatives Act

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 9 Senators Bolz, Clements, Hilkemann, Kuehn, McDonnell, Stinner, Vargas, Watermeier, Wishart

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator John Stinner  
Tim McCoy  
Ward Hoppe  
Vanessa Silke  
Walt Radcliffe

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraska Game and Parks Commission  
Omaha/Lincoln Homebuilders Coalition  
Nebraska AIA  
Friends of Neb. Parks/Associated General Contractors-Neb. Building Chapter

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

LB775 authorizes the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission to utilize alternative methods of contracting for public projects for buildings in the state park system, specifically authorizing the use of the Design-Build and Construction Manager/General Contractor contracting methods.

Through previous legislation, public schools, cities, villages, community colleges and state colleges have been provided the ability to use alternative delivery methods in addition to the traditional Design-Bid-Build method.

LB775 would provide the Commission the option and ability to use these alternative methods of contracting, which they currently do not have. It would allow them to use their internal professional advice from their Engineering, Parks, and Administrative staff to evaluate the best delivery method for a particular project.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

AM1723 clarifies the terms "construction manager" and "design builder" used in LB775 to reflect licensed architects and engineers' involvement with design-build and construction manager-general contractor projects. The amendment also gives the Commission the authority to hire an architect or engineer in the development of the design-build process and

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protect the intellectual property of architects and engineers.

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John Stinner, Chairperson