

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2018
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB940

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 23, 2018
Committee On: Urban Affairs
Introducer: Friesen
One Liner: Change provisions of the Civic and Community Center Financing Act relating to fund use, grant request limits, property sale restrictions, and grant application priority

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

Vote Results:
Aye: 7 Senators Hansen, Crawford, Howard, Quick, Larson, Riepe, Wayne
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:
Senator Curt Friesen
Lynn Rex
Don Wesley

Representing:
Legislative District #34
League of Nebraska Municipalities
Cities of Hastings, Kearney & Lexington

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 940 would amend the Civic and Community Center Financing Act (CCCFA) to make a number of changes, including:

- Clarifying that a community center receiving grants under the CCCFA must be owned by the municipality
 - Prohibiting municipalities from selling any civic, community, or recreation center that received grant funds under the CCCFA for at least five years after receiving such funds
 - Allowing historic districts to be eligible to receive CCCFA funds
 - Increasing the minimum and maximum grant award amounts under the CCCFA by fifty percent
 - Providing that municipalities are eligible to receive a grant under the CCCFA two years after receiving a previous grant under the CCCFA
 - Requiring the Nebraska Department of Economic Development to give priority to applications from municipalities which have not received CCCFA grant funds within the last ten years
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Explanation of amendments:

AM 1585 harmonizes the change of the definition of "historic building" to "historic building or district" in a section of the CCCFA that was not included in the introduced copy of the bill.

Justin Wayne, Chairperson