

**ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2018**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LR266**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday February 14, 2018  
**Committee On:** Natural Resources  
**Introducer:** Hughes  
**One Liner:** Urge the U.S. Dept. of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, the Nebr. congressional delegation, and the Game and Parks Commission to find a solution regarding policy changes that affect Hugh Butler Lake, Harry Strunk Lake, and Swanson Reservoir

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Report to the Legislature for further consideration

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 8 Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Geist, Hughes, Kolowski, McCollister, Quick, Walz  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**  
Senator Dan Hughes  
Kent Confer  
Sam O'Toole  
Allen Dunworth

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Hugh Butler Trailer Park Association  
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**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**  
Tim McCoy

**Representing:**  
Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

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

In 2008, federal regulations were adopted by the Department of the Interior, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, that allowed for conditional continuation of residential exclusive use on recreational lands administered by the bureau. The department required the bureau, as part of its management duties and to establish public access and health and safety guidelines, to show that continued residential exclusive use was justified at the three lakes identified in this resolution. As a part of this process, residents in the three lake areas found that their trailers are required to be moved by 2020. This resolution would urge Nebraska's congressional delegation to assist these residents with a solution that will allow them to keep their homes on these lakes.

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Dan Hughes, Chairperson