## ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2019 COMMITTEE STATEMENT (CORRECTED) I B101

Hearing Date: Friday February 22, 2019

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Wayne

One Liner: Change provisions of the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act relating to a potential

conflict of interest by an elected office holder of certain cities or villages or a school district

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 6 Senators Brewer, Blood, Hansen, M., Kolowski, La Grone, Lowe

Nay:

**Absent:** 2 Senators Hilgers, Hunt

**Present Not Voting:** 

**Oral Testimony:** 

Proponents: Representing: Senator Justin Wayne Introducer

John Spatz NE Association of School Boards NASB

Christy Abraham League of NE Municipalities

Frank Daley NE Accountability and Disclosure Commission

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 101 would change the law pertaining to conflicts of interest ("COI") by local government officers.

It provides that a person in elective office of a city, village, or school district is not prevented from participating in the decision-making process if:

- 1. The person's participation is legally required for the decision to be made, or
- 2. If the COI is based on a business association that is an association of local governments, the local government in question is a member, and the association only exists because of the person with the potential COI holding elective office.

Reporting of the COI would still be required in these cases.

The provisions of LB 101 were included in the committee amendment (AM 511) to LB 411.

Tom Brewer, Chairperson