ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2019 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB246

Hearing Date: Thursday February 07, 2019

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Brewer

One Liner: Change provisions relating to elections

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:

Tony Baker Introducer for Senator Tom Brewer

Robert Evnen Secretary of State

Wayne Bena Nebraska Secretary of State's office

David Shively Lancaster County Election Commissioner and NE

Association of Clerks Election Commissioners and

Registers of Deeds

Brian Kruse Douglas County Election Commissioner

Michelle Andahl Sarpy County Elections

Beth Bazyn Ferrell Nebraska Association of County Officials

Christy Abraham League of Nebraska Muncipalities

Westin Miller Civic Nebraska

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 246 was brought at the request of the Secretary of State and would revise a number of statutes governing the conduct of elections in Nebraska. The following topics are addressed in this bill:

*Deadlines for the Organization/Discontinuance of Townships

*Removal of Economic Development Question from Ballot

*Change of Terminology Regarding Recalls

*Clarification of Residency

*Voter Registration Register Access

*District Boundary Revision	
*Change of Terminology Regarding Petitions	
*Modification of Publishing Requirements	
*Special Election Plan Modifications	
*Replacement Ballots	
*Modification of Provisional Ballot Verification Timeline	
*Modification of Write-In Candidate Requirements	
*Recount Request Deadline Modification	
*Modification of Recall Petition Provisions	
*Modification of Initiative/Referendum Petition Provisions	
The provisions of LB 246 were included in the committee amendment (AM 511) to LB 411.	
	Tom Brewer, Chairperson