

**ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2020**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB863**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday January 30, 2020  
**Committee On:** Natural Resources  
**Introducer:** Hughes  
**One Liner:** Limit ownership of land by the Game and Parks Commission

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Indefinitely postponed

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Albrecht, Bostelman, Geist, Gragert, Halloran, Hughes, Moser, Quick

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Oral Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Dan Hughes  
John Ross

**Representing:**

Introducer  
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**Opponents:**

Timothy McCoy  
Scott Smathers  
John Denton  
Jim Johnson

**Representing:**

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission  
Nebraska Sportsmen's Foundation  
Ducks Unlimited, Inc.  
Nebraska Wildlife Federation

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

LB 863 would amend section 37-303 to limit the amount of land the Game and Parks Commission is allowed to own to the number of acres it owns on September 1, 2020. The Game and Parks Commission would not be able to purchase or acquire title to any additional sites if the purchase or acquisition would cause the Game and Parks Commission to exceed its September 1, 2020 property holding level.

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Dan Hughes, Chairperson