

**ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2022**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB395**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday January 28, 2021  
**Committee On:** Natural Resources  
**Introducer:** Gragert  
**One Liner:** Change hunting provisions under the Game Law

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

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Aguilar, Bostelman, Cavanaugh, J., Gragert, Hughes, Jacobson, Moser
<b>Nay:</b>		
<b>Absent:</b>		
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>	1	Senator Wayne

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**Oral Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Tim Gragert  
Tim McCoy  
Scott Smathers

**Representing:**

Self  
Nebraska Game and Parks Commission  
Nebraska Sportsman Foundation

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

LB395 amends current law to authorize special depredation seasons for shooting antelope and elk, in addition to deer when there is evidence that damage to crops or other property is being caused by the wildlife. The bill also allows non-residents to hunt during special depredation seasons and directs that non-residents will be charged more than residents for the depredation permits. LB395 also eliminates authorization to issue free permits to landowners in most instances and establishes a fee of not more than ten dollars for a landowner special depredation season permit. LB395 into LB507.

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Bruce Bostelman, Chairperson