

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB407

Hearing Date: Monday February 01, 2021
Committee On: Business and Labor
Introducer: McDonnell
One Liner: Include certain county correctional officers in provisions governing mental injuries and mental illnesses under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Blood, Gragert, Halloran, Hansen, B., Hansen, M., Hunt, Lathrop
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Tim Pendrell
John E. Corrigan
Bryan Laux
Jim Maquire
Jon Rehm

Representing:

Introducer
NE Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 8
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NE Fraternal Order of Police, Omaha Police Association
NE Association of Trial Attorneys

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 407 extends workers' compensation coverage to high-population county correction officers who suffer mental injuries without a corresponding physical injury.

County correction officer is defined as a correctional officer employed by a county with more than 300,000 residents, whose duties involve maintaining order and custody of inmates in a county jail and has regular and direct contact with high-risk individuals.

High-risk individual is defined as an individual in custody for whom violent or physically intimidating behavior is common and a person in the custody of a county jail or in the process of being placed in the custody of a county jail in a high-population county.

Custody is defined as being under the control of a state institution or agency or county jail.

Ben Hansen, Chairperson