ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB423

Hearing Date: Tuesday March 02, 2021

Committee On: Urban Affairs Introducer: Lathrop

One Liner: Require registration of home inspectors

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Arch, Blood, Briese, Hansen, M., Hunt, Lowe, Wayne

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Steve Lathrop Legislative District 12

Arla Meyer Nebraska Realtors Association

Greg Lemon Nebraska Real Estate Commission

Brad Hulse Self

Karalyn Hoefer Nebraska Realtors Association

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Jon Vacha Greater Omaha ASHI / American Society of Home

Inspectors

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 423 would provide for the regulation of home inspectors through registration with the Secretary of State's Office. Beginning on January 1, 2023, home inspectors would be required to register with the Secretary of State, pay a registration fee, and provide a certificate of insurance for general liability insurance of not less than \$250,000 for general liability.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 433 makes three changes to the bill:

- Sets the maximum registration fee at \$300;
- Clarifies that registration fees be remitted to the Secretary of State Cash Fund; and
- Provides that registration shall include any national certification relating to home inspection currently held by the home inspector

Justin Wayne, Chairperson