

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB442

Hearing Date: Wednesday March 03, 2021
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Hansen, M.
One Liner: Create the Commission on Asian American Affairs

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Blood, Brewer, Halloran, Hansen, M., Hunt, McCollister, Sanders
Nay:	1	Senator Lowe
Absent:		
Present Not Voting:		

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Matt Hansen
Rose Godinez
Suzanne Swanson

Representing:

Introducer
ACLU of Nebraska
Self

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Submitted Written Testimony:

Proponents:

Camdyn Kavan

Representing:

Open Sky Policy Institute

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill proposes the creation of a Commission on Asian American Affairs. The bill describes the basic purpose of the Commission, and authorizes it to receive and administer funds from state, federal, and other sources. The Commission would have the power to select and pay an executive director, for whom an office would be provided under the bill. The functions of the Commission are also enumerated in the bill.

The fourteen commission members would receive fifty dollars a day while performing Commission duties plus expense reimbursement, and they would vacate office by missing any quarterly or special meeting without a valid excuse. An executive board consisting of the chairperson and four of the commissioners would be established to administer the

Commission between quarterly meetings. The executive board would be empowered to execute contracts valued at not more than \$2000 for consulting services, supplies, and equipment.

Tom Brewer, Chairperson