

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB514

Hearing Date: Friday February 05, 2021
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Brewer
One Liner: Change procedures for forming a new political party under the Election Act

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

Vote Results:

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

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Tony Baker for Senator Tom Brewer
Wayne Bena
Brian W. Kruse

Beth Bazyn Ferrell

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Secretary of State
Nebraska Association of County Officials Clerks, Register of
Deeds and Election Commissioners Election Law
Committee and Douglas County Election Commissioner
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill would require that all petition signatures and associated documents be submitted together for verification at one time. Petition signatures would become invalid if not submitted to the Secretary of State by July 15th before a statewide general election. The bill would also increase from 10 days to 20 days the time authorized for the Secretary of State's signature verification after submission by the sponsor or sponsors. Finally, LB 514 would move up by two weeks the deadlines for filing the petition in order for the party to be included in a primary or general election.

Tom Brewer, Chairperson