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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB43

Chairperson: Senator Tom Brandt

Committee: Natural Resources

Date of Hearing: January 22, 2025

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB43 would update provisions of Chapter 70, Article 10 administered by the Nebraska Power Review Board relating to the regulation of electronic-related equipment and electronic-related components manufactured by foreign governments or foreign nongovernment persons determined to be federally-designated foreign adversary by federal regulations. This legislation would apply such regulations to encompass, in addition to new construction, reconstructs, alterations, upgrades, repairs, maintenance, or installs of new or replacement electronic-related equipment and electronic-related components located in close proximity to applicable military installations*.

LB43 would also authorize electric suppliers located within close proximity of an applicable military installation* to submit a one-time written notice to the Power Review Board certifying that the facility is continually operating in compliance with the requirements of this act.

*An applicable military installation under this act would include:

Offutt Air Force Base (see 31 C.F.R. 802.227(c) as such regulation existed on January 1, 2025); and

A United States Air Force ballistic missile silo located within a federally designated area defined by all or portions of the counties of Banner, Cheyenne, Deuel, Garden, Kimball, Morrill, Scottsbluff, and Sioux (see 31 C.F.R. 802.211(b)(3) as such regulation existed on January 1, 2025).

Principal Introducer:	
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