

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2024
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB1048

Hearing Date: Friday February 23, 2024
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Bostar
One Liner: Require certain chemical facilities to comply with a federal chemical security program

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Aguilar, Brewer, Conrad, Halloran, Hunt, Sanders, Lowe
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Raybould
Present Not Voting:		

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Eliot Bostar
John Hansen

Representing:

Opening Presenter
Nebraska Farmers Union

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill proposes requiring certain chemical facilities in Nebraska to participate in a federal program relating to cybersecurity and infrastructure security. The bill defines “chemical facility” and “federal standards” by reference to federal regulation, and defines “federal agency” so as to refer to the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the United States Department of Homeland Security. The bill includes legislative findings relating to the necessity of security measures for chemical facilities. The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency and the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy would be directed to publish the mandated requirements on their agency websites.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 2709 to LB 1048

The committee amendment clarifies that the bill's mandate on chemical facilities applies to such facilities that were previously subject to the expired federal program. The amendment also clarifies that the state mandate would be preempted if the federal standards are reauthorized by Congress.



Tom Brewer, Chairperson



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