ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB1044

Hearing Date: Monday February 08, 2010

Committee On: Business and Labor

Introducer: Lautenbaugh

One Liner: Change employer liability provisions under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators White, Wallman, Schilz, McGill, Lathrop, Council, Carlson

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Scott Lautenbaugh Introducer

Dan Fridrich

Nebraskans For Workers Compensation Equity and
Fairness; Werner Enterprises, Inc; Nebraska Chamber

of Commerce and Industry; National Federation of Independent Business; Greater Omaha Chamber of Commerce; Lincoln Chamber of Commerce; Nebraska Restaurant Association; Nebraska Retail Federation;

Property Casualty Insurers Association of America

Opponents: Representing:

Greg Coffey self
Steve Howard AFL-CIO
Keith Claypool self
Patricia Hagemann self
Robert R. Moodie NATA

Neutral: Representing:

Glenn Morton Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1044 would amend section 48-101, defining compensable personal injury for workers' compensation purposes, to only include those injuries where the accident or occupational disease was the prevailing factor or cause. LB 1044 defines prevailing factor as the primary factor which causes the injury and resulting disability.

Steve Lathrop, Chairperson