

**ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB278**

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**Hearing Date:** Monday March 02, 2009  
**Committee On:** Transportation and Telecommunications  
**Introducer:** Mello  
**One Liner:** Permit municipalities to allow pedestrians to solicit in roadways

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

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Campbell, Fischer, Gay, Hadley, Janssen, Lautenbaugh,  
Louden, Stuthman

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Proponents:**

Senator Heath Mello  
Darren Garrean  
James Owen  
Trevor Towey  
Brent Van Eperen  
Bruce Sandahl  
Jack Cheloha  
Lynn Rex

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraska Professional Firefighters  
Muscular Dystrophy Association  
Omaha Professional Firefighters  
Muscular Dystrophy Association  
Nebraska Professional Firefighters  
City of Omaha  
League of Nebraska Municipalities

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 278 authorizes a municipality to permit pedestrians on roadways to solicit contributions for charity.

The bill allows a municipality to adopt an ordinance that allows pedestrians over eighteen to enter a roadway (except for the state highway system), at specified locations and times, and approach stopped vehicles to solicit contributions for a charitable or community betterment purpose.

The ordinance must be a general ordinance and may not exclude or give preference to any individual or group.

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Deb Fischer, Chairperson