# ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2012 **COMMITTEE STATEMENT** LB1001

Tuesday February 14, 2012 **Hearing Date:** 

Committee On: **Urban Affairs** Introducer: McGill

One Liner: Create the Building Code Advisory Committee and change and eliminate state agency building code

compliance requirements

#### **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 6 Senators Ashford, Coash, Cook, Krist, Lambert, McGill

Nay: Absent:

John E. Falgione

**Present Not Voting:** 1 Senator Smith

**Proponents:** Representing:

Senator McGill Self

City of Omaha Jay G. Davis

Jerry Stillmock Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighter Association

William J. Mueller Eastern Nebraska Development Council, Nebraska

Association of Commercial Property Owners, Chief

Industries

Fred Hoke City of Lincoln-Building and Safety

James Torres AIA Nebraska

Jackie McCullough American Council of Engineering Companies

Nebraska

Opponents: Representing:

Justin Brady Nebraska Realtor's Association, Nebraska Home

> builders Association State Fire Marshal

Self

James Harper

Randy Anderson State Electrical Board

Michael Benker Home Builders Association of Lincoln

Neutral: Representing:

Rebecca Koller University of Nebraska

Kent Rogert Nebraska Statewide Property Owners Association Mary Jo Bousek Real Estate Owners and Managers Association

Richard Hauffe International Code Council

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1001 creates the Building Code Advisory Committee. The committee is being created to review new editions of building and other codes as they are released, to advise the Urban Affairs committee and the entire legislature on the adoption of the new editions of these codes. This bill also amends certain sections of the State Building Code with respect to State Agencies.

## Comments/Analysis:

Section 1 of the bill creates the Building Code Advisory Committee and includes a detailed list of experts who are to make up the membership of the committee. It also details the terms of appointees and the requirements of frequency of meetings, whom they can consult with and their primary duties. It specifically states there will be no compensation for members of the committee, but they may be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses in performing their duties. The expenses of the advisory committee shall be a part of the budget of the State Fire Marshal.

Section 2 of the bill amends Neb.Rev.Stat. 71-6405 to require state agencies to comply with applicable local building codes if said codes meet or exceed the standards of the state building code and if the political subdivision regularly updates its local building code under a program of periodic review and adoption as set forth in the State Building Code.

This section also deletes language in this section of statute which removes the authority of state agencies to amend the State Building Code.

#### **Explanation of amendments:**

The amendment to LB 1001 strikes sections 1 and 3 from the original bill. There are no changes to section 2 of the bill, which is the only portion of LB 1001 that was sent to general file.

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