

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB116

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 27, 2015
Committee On: Urban Affairs
Introducer: Haar
One Liner: Change election procedures and membership for certain sanitary and improvement district boards of trustees

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

Vote Results:
Aye: 4 Senators Crawford, Hansen, Hughes, Krist
Nay:
Absent: 3 Senators Coash, Ebke, McCollister
Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:

Ken Haar
Angella Hertzell
Jane Swanson
Lynn Rex

Representing:

District 21
SID #6
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League of Nebraska Municipalities

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Jon Blumenthal

Representing:

Eastern Nebraska Development Council

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 116 would allow sanitary and improvement districts (SIDs) that have been in existence for at least eight years and have fewer than seventy property owners to reduce the size of their board of trustees from five members to three members.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 192 makes several technical changes to the bill:

- Changes the period of time that an SID must be in existence before reducing the size of its board from eight years to ten years
 - Clarifies that if the board is reduced to three members, at least two members must be elected from among the resident property owners in the SID
 - Prohibits an SID which has fewer than two resident property owners or in which less than ten percent of the area in the SID is used for non-residential purposes from reducing the size of its board
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- Clarifies that provisions relating to SIDs in which more than fifty percent of the homes are used as second, seasonal, or recreational homes would still apply if the size of the board is reduced

Sue Crawford, Chairperson