



Ninety-Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2001
Committee Statement
LB 17

Hearing Date: January 17, 2001

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducers: (Chambers)

Title: Authorize the Omaha city council to redraw its own district boundaries

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Advanced to General File with Amendments

X Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

7	Yes	Senators Aguilar, Brown, Burling, McDonald, Quandahl, Smith, Vrtiska
0	No	
0	Present, not voting	
1	Absent	Senator Schimek

Proponents:

Senator Ernie Chambers
 Frank Brown
 Lormong Lo
 Marc Kraft

Representing:

Introducer
 Omaha City Council
 Omaha City Council
 Omaha City Council

Opponents:

Scott Lautenbaugh

Representing:

Self/Douglas County Election Commission

Neutral:

D'Anne Welch

Representing:

Self

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Currently, Nebraska statutes allow the election commissioners in any county which has a city of metropolitan class located within it, to redraw the boundaries for city council. Metropolitan cities are defined as those with a population of 300,000 or more.

LB 17 would change the law to require the city council to be responsible for redrawing the city council district boundaries.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator DiAnna R. Schimek, Chairperson