

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2022
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB910

Hearing Date: Thursday February 17, 2022
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: McDonnell
One Liner: Adopt the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Brewer, Halloran, Hansen, M., Hunt, McCollister, Sanders
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Blood
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator Lowe

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Mike McDonnell
Marjorie Maas
Kare Heilbrun
Sally Ganem
Arvin Frazier
Cathleen Plager

Representing:

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Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 910 proposes making the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission a statutory agency. The commission's voting membership would include between fifteen and twenty-five unpaid individuals, the composition of which is set out in the bill. The commission would be authorized to hire an executive director, who in turn would be authorized to administer the Act and to hire up to fifteen full-time staff members. The commission would be required to meet at least four times each year, to make recommendations to the governor a national and community service plan, to administer a program for competitively enrolling service organizations, preparing grant applications, and otherwise administering duties under the Act. The commission would be required to file an annual report with the Legislature about its activities.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 1983 would effect the transfer of employees, property, appropriations, salary limits, and financial obligations from the old commission within DHHS to the new independent commission created by the Act.

The committee voted to adopt AM 1983 on an 7-0-1-1 Vote

Voting Aye: Senators Brewer, Halloran, M. Hansen, Hunt, McCollister, Sanders

Voting Nay: None

Not Voting: Senator Lowe

Absent: Senator Blood

Tom Brewer, Chairperson