

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023
COMMITTEE STATEMENT (CORRECTED)
LB249

Hearing Date: Monday January 30, 2023
Committee On: Business and Labor
Introducer: Briese
One Liner: Change provisions of the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Halloran, Hansen, B., Hunt, Ibach, McKinney, Riepe
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Blood
Present Not Voting:		

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Tom Briese
Andy Hale
Shannon Harner
Roger Nadrchal
Carol Bodeen
Mary Berlie
Todd Stubbendieck
Tonja Brown
Tyler Doane
Amos Anson
Eva Roberts
Korby Gilbertson

Representing:

District 41
Nebraska Hospital Association
Nebraska Investment Finance Authority
Neighbor Works Northeast Nebraska
Nebraska Housing Developers Association
Grand Island Economic Development Corp.
AARP Nebraska
Grow Grand Island, Inc.
Wood River NE
Nebraska State Homebuilders
Front Porch Investments
Nebraska Realtors Association

Opponents:

Bob Hallstrom

Representing:

National Federation of Independent Businesses

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill would make several changes to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act. It would remove the limit of one application per organization per cycle, increase the grant maximum from \$1 million to \$5 million, and fund the program with \$20 million.

Explanation of amendments:

AM400 removes the provision striking the language prohibiting using rural workforce housing funds for projects also receiving certain other state grants and credits.

Merv Riepe, Chairperson