ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB895

Hearing Date: Thursday January 28, 2010

Committee On: Natural Resources

Introducer: Janssen

One Liner: Change procedures for filling vacancies on a natural resources district board

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Carlson, Cook, Dubas, Fischer, Haar, Langemeier, McCoy,

Schilz

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Charlie Janssen Introducer

Shawn Melotz Papio Valley Preservation Association

Opponents: Representing:

Augustus Brown Nebraska Association of Resources Districts, Upper Big

Blue Natural Resources District

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 895 would change the process for filling natural resources district board vacancies.

Section 1 amends 2-3215, relating to natural resources district board vacancies, by adding a new procedure for vacancies when one occurs in the first year of the unexpired term, or prior to September 1 of the second year of the unexpired term. In such case, the appointee is to serve until the first Thursday after the first Tuesday in January after the next regular general election. At that regular general election, a director will be elected to serve the unexpired term.

However, if the vacancy occurs after September 1 of the second year, or during the third or fourth year of the unexpired term, the appointee is to serve until the term expires.

Section 2 repeals the original section.

Chris Langemeier, Chairperson