

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB160

Hearing Date: Tuesday February 01, 2011
Committee On: Agriculture
Introducer: Campbell
One Liner: Eliminate a duty of the county assessor relating to information on trusts that own agricultural land

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File

Vote Results:
Aye: 6 Senators Brasch, Carlson, Karpisek, Larson, Lathrop, Wallman
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting: 2 Senators Bloomfield, Harr

Proponents:
Senator Kathy Campbell
Jon Edwards

Representing:
Introducer
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:
John Hansen

Representing:
Nebraska Farmers Union

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 160 outright repeals Section 76-1517 which assigns a duty to county assessors to annually forward to the Secretary of State the name and address of every trust owning agricultural land within the county based on assessment rolls. Harmonizing revisions are made to Sections 76-1507 and 76-1516 to correct internal references accordingly.

The bill further amends Section 76-1523 to strike a related duty of the Secretary of State to utilize the reports of trust holdings to assist in identification of trusts engaged in farming and ranching as defined by Article XII, Section 8 of the state constitution (popularly referred to as the I-300 corporate farming restrictions). Revisions to this section also include a revisers amendment, unrelated to the primary purposes of the bill, to clarify disposition of fines assessed for failure of corporate trustees to file a report required by Section 76-1520.

Tom Carlson, Chairperson