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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1163

Chairperson: Senator Chris Langemeier

Committee: Natural Resources

Date of Hearing: February 02, 2012

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB1163 is intended to create a means for the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission to administer and promote a deer donation program such that hunters may provide healthy protein to feed inmates and the hungry in Nebraska. Funding for such a program would be through the Hunters Helping the Hungry Cash Fund created by LB1163.

This Cash Fund will *not* be funded by any additional fee to existing deer permits. Rather each deer permit applicant will be afforded the option of participating in the program and paying an additional fee for participation in the program. In addition, donations from any other source may be made to the Hunters Helping the Hungry Cash Fund. This Fund will be used for the promotion of the Hunters Helping the Hungry program and payment to participating meat processors of a fair market price for the processing of donated deer. No additional funds will be expended on this program if the funds in the Cash Fund are exhausted. LB1163 affords the Commission the latitude to determine both the fair market price for processing and the portion of the permit fee that will be credited to the Hunters Helping the Hungry Cash Fund.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tony Fulton