

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB137

Hearing Date: Friday January 25, 2013
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Avery
One Liner: Establish state fleet card programs

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Avery, Bloomfield, Karpisek, Lautenbaugh, Murante, Price, Scheer, Wallman

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Proponents:

Senator Bill Avery
Don Stenberg

Representing:

Introducer
State Treasurer's Office

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 137 creates state fleet card programs. The programs will be administered separately by the University of Nebraska and by the Department of Roads. The Department of Roads will administer the program on behalf of state government, other than the University of Nebraska. Any state official, agency, board or commission may use the state fleet card for and on behalf of the State of Nebraska. Any political subdivision may utilize a fleet card for the lawful purposes of the political subdivision.

Rules and regulations may be adopted and promulgated as needed by the Department of Roads and the University of Nebraska for the operation of the state fleet card programs.

The State Treasurer will determine the type of fleet card or cards utilized in the program as well as contract with financial institutions capable of operating a fleet card program on behalf of the state.

The bill defines fleet card as a payment card used for gasoline, diesel and other fuels. The cards may also be used to pay for vehicle and equipment maintenance and expenses.

Vendors accepting a state fleet card will obtain authorization for all transactions in accordance with instructions from the program administrator.

The bill also outlines what detailed transaction information is needed for tracking expenditures, including fleet card identification, merchant name, transaction number, date, time, produce, quantity, and cost. No officer or employee of the state or political subdivision will use the card for any unauthorized use.

The State Fleet Card Distributive Fund is created. All rebates received by the state from the program will be credited to the fund. The rebates will be distributed by the State Treasurer to the state agencies and political subdivisions based on volume spent and contract terms.

Bill Avery, Chairperson