ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015 **COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB56**

Hearing Date: Tuesday February 17, 2015

Committee On: **Executive Board**

Introducer: Scheer

One Liner: Provide procedures for donation of real property to the Northeast Community College Area

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Chambers, Coash, Hadley, Hughes, Krist, Larson, Murante,

Watermeier

Nay:

Senator Campbell Absent: 1

Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Introducer Senator Jim Scheer

Mike Chipps Northeast Community College Mark Zimmerer Norfolk Area Chamber of Commerce

Tom Schommer Norfolk Area Economic Development Council

Shane Weidner City of Norfolk

Joe C. Ferguson Norfolk Action Council

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Sections 72-811 to 72-818 provide a process for the disposal of state buildings or land declared to be vacant or excess to the needs of the state. Notwithstanding these statutes, LB56 would authorize the donation of some of the property that comprises the Norfolk Regional Center to the Northeast Community College Area for the purpose of development of the Northeast Community College Technology Park.

Prior to the donation: (1) there would be a survey to determine what portion of the Norfolk Regional Center property is not needed by the State; (2) pursuant to the survey, a report would be submitted to the Legislature and Governor; and (3) the Legislature (or Executive Board if the Legislature is not in session) and the Governor would be required to approve the donation.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment (AM845) deletes references to donating the property to the Northeast Community College Area and instead gives the college a right of first refusal to purchase the property at its fair market value.

Bob Krist, Chairperson