## ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB660

Hearing Date: Monday February 23, 2015

**Committee On:** Appropriations **Introducer:** Speaker Hadley

One Liner: Appropriate funds for capital construction and property acquisition

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 9 Senators Bolz, Haar, Hilkemann, Kintner, Kuehn, Mello, Nordquist,

Stinner, Watermeier

Nay:

Absent:

**Present Not Voting:** 

**Verbal Testimony:** 

Proponents: Representing:

Gerry Oligmueller Introducer - Governor's Office

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

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

LB 660, introduced by the Speaker at the request of the Governor, is part of the Governor's biennial budget recommendations. This bill appropriates funds for the reaffirmed and new construction projects recommended by the Governor for the next biennium. Reaffirmed projects include those projects currently underway that have already received approval and funding previously but were funded over several years. In addition to the new and reaffirmed appropriations set forth in the bill, language is included providing for the reappropriation of unexpended June 30, 2015 appropriation balances for FY 2015-16 to continue or complete projects.

This legislative bill contains the emergency clause and is operative on July 1, 2015.

## **Explanation of amendments:**

The amendment becomes the bill. The amendment contains the Appropriations Committee recommendation for reaffirmed and new capital construction projects recommended for funding in the forthcoming budget biennium.

Please refer to "State of Nebraska FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 Biennial Budget, As Proposed by the Appropriations Committee 104th Legislature, First Session," published April, 2015, beginning on page 85, "Capital Construction," for a detailed discussion of the Committee recommendation.

Heath Mello, Chairperson