ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB913

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 24, 2016

Committee On: Revenue **Introducer:** Smith

One Liner: Adopt the Facilitating Business Rapid Response to State Declared Disasters Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Brasch, Davis, Gloor, Harr, Schumacher, Scheer, Smith,

Sullivan

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:Representing:Senator Jim SmithIntroducerDustin BlytheAT & TAnn ProckishCenturyLink

Kristen Gottschalk Nebraska Rural Electric Association

Jill Becker Black Hills Energy

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 913 would allow for the adoption of the Facilitating Business Rapid Response to State Declared Disasters Act. Under the Act, an out-of-state business that assists in repairing, renovating, installing or building infrastructure related to a declared state disaster or emergency would not be subject to registration with the Secretary of State or withholding or income tax registration, filing, or remitting requirements.

Explanation of amendments:

The amendment becomes the bill. It clarifies that the term "infrastructure" refers only to entities specified in the bill. It clarifies that sales, use and ad valorem taxes due not apply to equipment brought into the state for use during the disaster period. It adds the word "natural" before "gas distribution system." It clarifies that an "out of state employee" means a nonresident individual. It adds "or rendering services or other business" to the list of exempt activities.

Mike Gloor, Chairperson