ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB983

Monday February 08, 2016 **Hearing Date: Committee On: Business and Labor** Introducer: Harr One Liner: Change the definition of disability under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:** Advanced to General File Vote Results: Aye: 5 Senators Crawford, Ebke, Harr, Howard, Johnson Nay: Absent: 2 Senators Bloomfield, Chambers **Present Not Voting: Verbal Testimony: Proponents:** Representing: Introducer **Burke Harr** Opponents: Representing: Neutral: Representing: Summary of purpose and/or changes: LB 983 updates Nebraska's Fair Employment Practice Act (NFEPA) to accurately reflect the federal Americans with Disabilities Act in regards to homosexuality and bisexuality. LB 983 leaves intact the current definition of disability under the NFEPA in that homosexuality and bisexuality are not considered disabilities. The bill creates subsections separate from homosexuality and bisexuality of sexual behavior disorders, compulsive gambling, kleptomania, pyromania and psychoactive substance use disorders, all of which are currently in statute.

Burke Harr, Chairperson