

**ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2020**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB781**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 06, 2020  
**Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Introducer:** Stinner  
**One Liner:** Provide for annual continuing education for treasurers of certain local governments and provide a duty for the Auditor of Public Accounts

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Blood, Brewer, Hansen, M., Hilgers, Hunt, Kolowski, La Grone, Lowe

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Oral Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator John Stinner  
Russ Karpisek  
Christy Abraham  
Jon Cannon  
Brian Zuger  
Nicole Fox

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Auditor of Public Accounts  
League of NE Municipalities  
NACO  
Sarpy County Treasurer  
Platte Institute

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

This bill would mandate annual continuing education for treasurers of cities, villages, and counties. This requirement would also apply to a city or village clerk who is acting as treasurer. To satisfy the requirement, a continuing education program would have to be approved by the Auditor of Public Accounts (APA). Treasurers would be required to submit proof of attendance to the APA. The APA would be required to maintain attendance records and to notify a county board, city council, or village board if their treasurer did not complete the required annual continuing education program. The political subdivisions would be responsible for the cost of attendance for their respective treasurers.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

The committee amendment adds the provisions of Senator La Grone's LB 807, which would direct the Auditor of Public Accounts (APA) to begin using the 2018 Revision of the Government Auditing Standards (GAS) for audit periods ending on or after June 30, 2020. Until that time, the APA would continue to use the 2011 Revision.

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Tom Brewer, Chairperson