

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2020
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB797

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 28, 2020
Committee On: Urban Affairs
Introducer: Hansen, M.
One Liner: Change restrictions on municipal annexation

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Arch, Briese, Crawford, Hansen, M., Hunt, Lowe, Wayne
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Matt Hansen
Jon Cannon
Wayne Bena

Representing:

Legislative District 26
Nebraska Association of County Officials
Nebraska Secretary of State's Office

Opponents:

Christy Abraham

Representing:

League of Nebraska Municipalities

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB797 would change current restrictions on the annexation of territory by cities of the first class, cities of the second class, and villages. Under the bill, a city of the first class, city of the second class, or village which elects its city council or village board of trustees by district could not annex any territory during the period from five months prior to the primary election through the general election if such annexation would bring sufficient new residents into the city or village so as to require the city council districts or village board of trustees districts to be redrawn to maintain substantial population equality between districts.

LB797 would also require that any redistricting required to maintain substantial population equality between the city council districts or village board of trustees districts must be completed at least five months prior to the primary election in which candidates for the city council or village board of trustees are nominated.

Justin Wayne, Chairperson