

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2020
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB924

Hearing Date: Friday January 31, 2020
Committee On: Judiciary
Introducer: Chambers
One Liner: Change provisions relating to racial profiling and require law enforcement training

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Brandt, Chambers, DeBoer, Lathrop, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks, Slama, Wayne
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Ernie Chambers
Rose Godinez
Schuyler Geery-Zink

Representing:

Introducer
ACLU of Nebraska and Latino American Commission
Nebraska Appleseed

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Current state law requires the Nebraska State Patrol, the county sheriffs, all city and village police departments, and any other law enforcement agency to adopt a racial profiling prevention policy that includes internal methods of prevention and enforcement. Section 1 of LB924 would amend Sec. 20-504 to add anti-bias and implicit bias training and testing designed to minimize apparent or actual racial profiling to a list of the types of methods to be included in the plan.

Section 20-504(3) currently requires law enforcement agencies to record and retain information about traffic stops, including the race and ethnicity of the person stopped. Section 20-504(6) requires this information to be transmitted to the Crime Commission. Section 1 of LB924 would also add a new subsection (9) to 20-504 which would make law enforcement agencies ineligible for loans, grants, funds, or donations administered by the Crime Commission if they do not comply with the requirements of subsections (3) and (6).

Section 2 of LB924 would amend Sec. 23-1701.01 to add two hours of anti-bias and implicit bias training to the annual continuing education requirements for sheriffs.

Section 3 of LB924 would amend Sec. 81-1414.07 to add two hours of anti-bias and implicit bias training to the annual continuing education requirements for law enforcement officers.

Steve Lathrop, Chairperson