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LEGISLATIVE BILL 618

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- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to elections; to amend section 32-1524,
- 2 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define electioneering; to
- 3 change and eliminate prohibited activities near polling places; and
- 4 to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. Section 32-1524, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 32-1524 (1) For purposes of this section, electioneering means any
- 4 activity done to persuade voters to vote, or not vote, for a particular
- 5 <u>candidate</u>, <u>ballot</u> <u>question</u>, <u>or</u> <u>political</u> <u>party</u> <u>which</u> <u>appears</u> <u>on</u> <u>the</u>
- 6 ballot at the election for which the voters are appearing to vote.
- 7 (2) (1) No judge or clerk of election or precinct or district
- 8 inspector shall do any electioneering while acting as an election
- 9 official.
- 10 (3) (2) No person shall do any electioneering, or circulate
- 11 petitions, or perform any action that involves solicitation within any
- 12 polling place or any building designated for voters to cast ballots by
- 13 the election commissioner or county clerk pursuant to the Election Act
- 14 while the polling place or building is set up for voters to cast ballots
- or within two hundred feet of any such polling place or building except
- 16 as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section.
- 17 (4) (3) Subject to any local ordinance, a person may display yard
- 18 signs on private property within two hundred feet of a polling place or
- 19 building designated for voters to cast ballots if the property is not
- 20 under common ownership with the property on which the polling place or
- 21 building is located.
- 22 (5) (4) Any person violating this section shall be guilty of a Class
- 23 V misdemeanor.
- 24 Sec. 2. Original section 32-1524, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 25 Nebraska, is repealed.