

One Hundred Sixth Legislature - Second Session - 2020

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1005

Chairperson: Senator Tom Brewer

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: February 26, 2020

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 1005 would enact the Nebraska Open Primaries Act. The bill would eliminate party designations on primary election ballots for statewide offices and United States Congressional offices, while retaining current law regarding party designations on the primary election ballots for President and Vice President of the United States, and for local partisan offices.

LB 1005 would provide that the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes at the primary election for offices, other than local partisan offices, would advance to the general election ballot. The bill would revise provisions regarding voter registration, and the form and content of official ballots, and amend other provisions of the Election Act to harmonize with the Nebraska Open Primaries Act.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John McCollister