

**ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2022**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB1099**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday February 09, 2022  
**Committee On:** Natural Resources  
**Introducer:** Bostelman  
**One Liner:** Create the Nebraska Hydrogen Hub Industry Work Group

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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 Aguilar, Bostelman, Cavanaugh, J., Gragert, Groene, Hughes, Moser, Wayne

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Oral Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Bruce Bostelman  
Courtney Dentlinger  
Amy Ostermeyer  
John Hansen

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraska Public Power District  
Monolith  
Nebraska Farmers Union

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

LB1099, introduced by Senator Bostelman, directs DOE to create a Hydrogen Hub Industry work group for the purpose of developing and drafting competitive proposals which may be submitted to the United States Department of Energy to seek selection as one of four regional clean hydrogen hubs authorized under the federal infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

Sec. 1 Requires Department of Economic Development to create the Nebraska Hydrogen Hub Industry Work Group.

Identifies business and professional areas from various businesses and professions that shall be appointed to be members of the group.

Sec. 2 Emergency clause.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

AM 1985 is a white copy amendment that makes the following changes to the bill as originally introduced:

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Strikes the operative date of the Act.

Substitutes permissive for mandatory directions regarding formation of working group.

Changes who appoints the working group from the Director of DOE to the Governor to comply with the Constitution  
Strikes the General Fund Appropriation.

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Bruce Bostelman, Chairperson