

**ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2024**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB1032**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 22, 2024  
**Committee On:** Revenue  
**Introducer:** Bostelman  
**One Liner:** Provide for tuition waivers for conservation officers of the Game and Parks Commission under the First Responder Recruitment and Retention Act

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

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Albrecht, Bostar, Dungan, Kauth, Linehan, Meyer, Murman, von Gillern  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Bruce Bostelman  
Dan Hughes  
Alex Hasenaner  
Timothy McCoy  
Korby Gilbertson

**Representing:**

Opening Presenter  
Self  
Nebraska Conservation Officers Association  
Nebraska Game and Parks Commission  
Self

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

David Schmehl

**Representing:**

Self

\* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

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

Currently, Game and Parks officers are not included in law enforcement officers under the Act, and the Game and Parks Commission is not considered a law enforcement agency under the Act.

Section 1. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 85-2602 to include Game and Parks officers in the definition of law enforcement officer and add the Game and Parks Commission to the definition of law enforcement agency under the Act.

Section 2. Repeals the original section of the Neb. Rev. Stat. shown in the section above.

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Lou Ann Linehan, Chairperson



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