ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2024 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB1169

Hearing Date: Thursday February 01, 2024

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Erdman

One Liner: Provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to the Nebraska State Historical Society

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 5 Senators Aguilar, Brewer, Halloran, Lowe, Sanders

Nay: 1 Senator Conrad

Absent: 2 Senators Hunt, Raybould

Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Steve Erdman Opening Presenter

Lt Gen (Nebr Ret) Roger Lempke Self
Jeff Barnes Self

Jason Jackson Nebraska Department of Administrative Services

(DAS)

Cindy Drake Self

Opponents:Representing:Ben GrayHistory NebraskaNick WalterHistory Nebraska

Neutral: Representing:

Craig Kubicek Auditor of Public Accounts

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Sections 1 and 3 of the bill would replace the term "superintendent" with "director."

Section 2 of the bill would provide that the director of the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) is appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation by the Legislature.

Section 4 of the bill would modify the duties of the NSHS board to eliminate the position of the treasurer of the NSHS, to reference the rule-making authority vested in the director, and to add a duty to advise the Director of the NSHS. This section also eliminates numerous powers and duties relating to administrative functions including contracting,



^{*} ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

accepting gifts, and disposing of NSHS property.

Section 5 revises a requirement that the director of NSHS produce a biennial report to the Governor.

Sections 6, 7, 8, and 9 replaces references to the "secretary" with references to the "director."

Section 10 sets out the duties of the director of the NSHS.

Section 11 would prohibit the director of the NSHS from serving on the board or in any advisory capacity for any charitable organization providing money or support to NSHS.

Section 12 creates the Nebraska State Historical Society Collections Trust Fund and puts it under the administrative control of the director.

Section 13 contains the repealer.

