

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB20

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 22, 2023
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Wayne
One Liner: Provide for restoration of voting rights upon completion of a felony sentence or probation for a felony

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Aguilar, Brewer, Conrad, Hunt, Raybould, Sanders
Nay:	2	Senators Halloran, Lowe
Absent:		
Present Not Voting:		

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Justin Wayne
Preston Love Jr
TJ King
Jasmine Harris
Demetrius Gatson
Olivia Larson
Steven Scott
Michelle LaVaughne-Feiling
Daniel Gutman
Heidi Uhing
Joanna Lindberg
Dewayne Mays

Gavin Geis
Tanya Encalada Cruz*

Opponents:

Kathy Wilmot

Neutral:

Kimara Snipes
Y'shall Davis

Representing:

Introducer
Self
Nebraska Aids Project (NAP)
RISE
Self
The Voting Rights Restoration Coalition
Self
RISE
ACLU Nebraska
Civic Nebraska
League of Women Voters of NE
Lincoln Branch National Association for the Advancement of
Colored People (NAACP)
Common Cause Nebraska
Self

Representing:

Self

Representing:

The Nebraska Civic Engagement Table
Self

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

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LB 20 would change the timeline for restoration of voting rights after a convicted felon's completion of sentence. Under current law, such a person would be eligible to vote two years after completion of sentence. This bill would eliminate that two-year waiting period and make felons immediately eligible to vote after completion of sentence, including any term of parole or probation.

Tom Brewer, Chairperson