

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB257

Hearing Date: Monday March 06, 2023
Committee On: General Affairs
Introducer: Lowe
One Liner: Change provisions relating to cemeteries and abandonment and reversion of cemetery lots

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Cavanaugh, J., Day, Holdcroft, Hughes, Lowe, Brewer, Hardin
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Raybould
Present Not Voting:		

Testimony:

Proponents:

John Lowe
Bill Stalter
Desirae Solomon
Christy Abraham

Representing:

Introducer
Self
Blair City Attorney
League of Nebraska Municipalities

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 257 is a bill to re-write section 12-701 of the cemetery statutes to provide cities, counties, and villages with a process to re-vest lots purchased for internment or burial in a cemetery owned by the city, county, or village, if no one has been buried in the lot for at least thirty years. The bill provides for proper notice proceedings that allow the owner of such a lot the opportunity to file a valid claim showing they have not abandoned the lot, and further allows the governing body to bring an action in district court to restore the cemetery lot to the governing body, should no valid claim by an owner be filed.

New language is added to section 12-702 to allow the city, county, or village that becomes the reversionary owner of the cemetery lot pursuant to 12-701 to then sell the same and convey title to a new purchaser of the lot for purposes of internment or burial.
