## ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2024 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB895

Hearing Date: Wednesday January 24, 2024

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Sanders

One Liner: Change provisions relating to recruitment and retention for the Nebraska National Guard

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 6 Senators Aguilar, Brewer, Conrad, Halloran, Lowe, Sanders

Nay:

Senator Rita Sanders

**Absent:** 2 Senators Hunt, Raybould

**Present Not Voting:** 

**Testimony:** 

Proponents: Representing:

Sarah Meyers Nebraska National Guard Officer Association

**Opening Presenter** 

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Adj. Gen., Maj. Gen. Craig Strong

Nebraska Military Department

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The Adjutant General (AG) is the commanding officer of the Nebraska National Guard. State law currently provides authority for the AG provide incentive payments to encourage individuals to enlist or reenlist in the Guard. This bill would expand that authority to also include incentive payments for commissioned officers. The bill would also eliminate some required parameters for issuance of payments based on a formula relating to years of service.

Tom Brewer, Chairperson



<sup>\*</sup> ADA Accommodation Written Testimony