## **One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

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**Chairperson: Senator Tom Briese** 

**Committee: Executive Board** 

Date of Hearing: March 09, 2023

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LR2CA converts the Nebraska Legislature from a unicameral legislative system into a bicameral legislative system. The bill provides for partisan elections for both chambers of the Legislature and requires public votes for committee chairs and officers. Each legislative district for the Senate would be comprised of three contiguous counties while each legislative district for the House of Representatives would be determined by population. The bill also requires all meetings of the Legislature to be open to the public.

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Steve Erdman