ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2025 COMMITTEE STATEMENT **LB179**

Hearing Date: Friday February 07, 2025 **Committee On:** Nebraska Retirement Systems

Introducer: Clouse

One Liner: Change retirement contribution rates for police officers employed by cities of the first class

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 5 Senators Ballard, Clements, Conrad, Hardin, Sorrentino

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator Juarez

Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Stan Clouse

Lynn Rex Bryan D. Waugh

Matt Barrall

Representing:

Opening Presenter

League of Nebraska Municipalities Police Chiefs Association of Nebraska Nebraska State Fraternal Order of Police

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 179 would amend the Police Officers Retirement Act to change contribution rates for both the city and police officers in cities of the first class. Under the bill, beginning October 1, 2025, each police officer employed by a city of the first class will contribute a sum equal to 9% of their salary to the retirement system.

Under Nebraska Revised Statute §16-1006, each city of the first class which employs any police officer is required to contribute a sum equal to the amount contributed from such police officer's salary to the retirement system. As a result, LB 179 would also provide that beginning October 1, 2025, each city of the first class which employs any police officer will contribute a sum equal to 9% of such police officer's salary to the retirement system.

^{*} ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Beau Ballard, Chairperson

