ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2025 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB191

Hearing Date: Monday February 10, 2025

Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications

Introducer: Bosn

One Liner: Change provisions relating to unlawful interference with telecommunications under the One-Call

Notification System Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Moser, Ballard, Bosn, Brandt, DeBoer, Fredrickson,

Guereca, Storer

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Carolyn Bosn Opening Presenter

Tip O'Neill Nebraska Telecommunications Association

Dayton Murty Charter Communications
John Wyvill* Cox Communications

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB191 adds broadband and communications companies to the list of companies whose facilities receive special protection under the law. Persons who willfully and maliciously break, injure, destroy, or otherwise interfere with the poles, wires, or facilities of those companies are now subject to criminal mischief penalties under section 28-519.

Explanation of amendments:

The Committee considered and adopted an amendment which accomplishes the following:

Adds wireless infrastructure companies to the list of companies that receive additional protection from willful and malicious interference with their facilities.

Committee vote to adopt the amendment: Yes - 8, No - 0, Present Not Voting - 0



^{*} ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Mike Moser, Chairperson

