## ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2025 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB388

Hearing Date: Friday February 21, 2025

Committee On: Judiciary Introducer: DeBoer

One Liner: Change provisions relating to judicial nominating commissions

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

Advanced to General File

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 8 Senators Bosn, DeBoer, Hallstrom, Holdcroft, McKinney, Rountree,

Storer, Storm

Nay:

Absent:

**Present Not Voting:** 

**Testimony:** 

Proponents:Representing:Senator Wendy DeBoerOpening Presenter

Elizabeth Neeley

Nebraska State Bar Association

Joshua Shasserre

Nebraska Supreme Court

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 388 changes the provisions relating to judicial nominating commissions, including residency and membership requirements, terms of office, and the process for nominating and electing members. The bill extends timelines for nominations made by the Nebraska State Bar Association, requires that members be residents of the district covered by a commission, allows members to serve on more than one commission, extends term limits to 12 consecutive years, and allows for nominations and elections of lawyer members to be conducted by electronic means if necessary.

The bill also changes provisions for filling commission vacancies and regarding the powers and duties of the Clerk of the Supreme Court and Executive Council of the Nebraska State Bar Association.

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

Carolyn Bosn, Chairperson

