

**ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2025**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB666**

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**Hearing Date:** Tuesday February 11, 2025  
**Committee On:** Transportation and Telecommunications  
**Introducer:** Storer  
**One Liner:** Change provisions relating to duties of the Public Service Commission under the Rural Communications Sustainability Act

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 8 Senators Moser, Ballard, Bosn, Brandt, DeBoer, Fredrickson, Guereca, Storer  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Tanya Storer  
Bachtiyer Kholmatov

Tip O'Neill  
Andy Pollock

**Opponents:**

**Neutral:**

Cullen Robbins

**Representing:**

Opening Presenter  
Pinpoint Communications and Nebraska Rural Broadband Association  
Nebraska Telecommunications Association  
Nebraska Rural Broadband Alliance

**Representing:**

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Nebraska Public Service Commission

\* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

Section 1 - Amends section 86-1505 – Broadband deployment program

After a granting agency makes a final payment of public funds, competitive providers can request that the Public Service Commission (PSC) expeditiously determine whether they can provide telecommunications carrier obligations and carrier of last resort obligations in the deployment project area. If the PSC finds that it can, it shall relieve the local incumbent carrier of such obligations, coordinate with the FCC to determine whether Nebraska Universal Service Fund (NUSF) support should be transferred from the incumbent carrier to the competitive carrier, and make further determinations regarding NUSF allocations.



Section 2 repeals original section 86-1505.

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Mike Moser, Chairperson

