

**ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2026**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB787**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday January 21, 2026  
**Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Introducer:** Sanders  
**One Liner:** Change provisions relating to the Commission on Military and Veterans Affairs and eliminate provisions relating to veterans homes

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

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Sanders, Andersen, Cavanaugh, J., Guereca, Hunt, Lonowski, Meyer, F., Wordekemper  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Rita Sanders  
John Hilgert

**Representing:**

Opening Presenter  
Nebraska Department of Veterans

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

\* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

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

Section 1 would update the section of statute specifying the members of the Commission of Military and Veteran Affairs. These revisions would allow for the Department of Economic Development Director to specify a designee to serve in place of the director on the Commission, and would afford similar flexibility to the Director of Veterans's Affairs. This section of the bill would also add as members of the Commission the commanders of the 95th Wing, the 90th Missile Wing, the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, the Department of Defense service secretary or service component, and any wing which is in the future positioned or established in Nebraska.

Section 2 would eliminate an annual report requirement and would instead make this report due at the request of the Governor or when the Commission deems drafting of an updated version appropriate.

Section 3 would repeal original versions of the sections of statute revised by the bill.

Section 4 would outright repeal Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 80-328 and 80-330.



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Rita Sanders, Chairperson

