## ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2025 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LR17

Hearing Date: Thursday February 27, 2025

Committee On: Natural Resources

Introducer: Quick

One Liner: Approve the indication of intent by the Game and Parks Commission to incorporate Camp

Augustine into the state park system

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

Report to the Legislature for further consideration

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 8 Senators Brandt, Clouse, Conrad, DeKay, Hughes, Juarez, Moser,

Raybould

Nay:

Absent:

**Present Not Voting:** 

**Testimony:** 

Proponents:Representing:Senator Dan QuickOpening PresenterBrad MellemaGrand Island Tourism

Timothy McCoy Nebraska Game and Parks Commissioin

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LR17 will allow the Game and Parks Commission to indicate intent to incorporate Camp Augustine, which is currently owned by the city of Grand Island, into the state park system. Camp Augustine is a 156-acre campground formerly owned by the Boy Scouts of America and located adjacent to Mormon Island State Recreation Area. Under section 37-342, the Commission must have legislative approval before it indicates to the City of Grand Island the intent to so incorporate. Following approval by the Legislature of LR 17, discussions can begin regarding potential methods of acquisition, scope of maintenance of the property, and costs involved.

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

Tom Brandt, Chairperson

