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Appropriations Committee February 19, 2025

CLEMENTS: Good afternoon. Welcome to the Appropriations Committee. My name is Rob Clements, I'm from Elmwood. I represent Legislative District 2, which is Cass County and eastern Lancaster County. I serve as chair of this committee. We'll start off by having the members-- members do self-introductions, starting with my right.

ARMENDARIZ: Hi, I'm Christy Armendariz from District 18 in northwest Omaha and Bennington.

CLEMENTS: Senator Dover.

DOVER: Robert Dover, District 19: Madison County is [INAUDIBLE] of Pierce County.

DORN: Myron Dorn, District 30: Gage County and part of Lancaster.

STROMMEN: Paul Strommen, District 47. I think I'm going to go through them today. So Sioux, Box Butte, Morrill, Cheyenne, Grant, let's see, Garden-- what did I forget-- Deuel, Keith County, Arthur.

PROKOP: Well done. Well done.

DOVER: Let's go hunting.

STROMMEN: Yeah. And if you like, if you like upland bird or duck or goose, I got the place for you.

DORN: Turkey.

STROMMEN: Turkeys.

CLEMENTS: Senator Prokop.

PROKOP: Jason Prokop, District 27, which is west Lincoln and Lancaster County.

CLEMENTS: Lancaster, Lancaster, Lancaster, Lancaster, Lancaster. We just done introductions, starting with my far right. You can please introduce yourselves.

SPIVEY: Hello, everyone. Ashlei Spivey, District 13, which is northeast and northwest Omaha.

M. CAVANAUGH: Machaela Cavanaugh, District 6: west central Omaha, Douglas County.

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CLEMENTS: Thank you. Assisting the committee today is Cori Bierbaum, our committee clerk. To my left is our fiscal analyst, Shelly Glazer [PHONETIC]-- Glaser, Glaser. Our page today is Demet--

DEMET GEDIK: Gedik.

CLEMENTS: Gedik. If you're planning on testifying today, please fill out a green testifier sheet located in the back of the room and hand it to the page when you come up to testify. Online position comments must be submitted on the Legislature's website by 8:00 am the day of the hearing to be included in the record. If you have submitted a comment online, we ask that you not testify in person today. If you will not be testifying but want to go on record as having a position on a bill being heard today, there are yellow sign-in sheets to my left. These sign-in sheets will become exhibits in the permanent record after today's hearing. To better facilitate today's hearing, I ask that you abide by the following procedures. Please silence your cell phones, move to the front chairs to testify when your bill or agency is up. When hearing bills, the order of testimony will be: introducer, proponents, opponents, neutral and closing. When we hear testimony regarding agencies, we will first hear from a representative of the agency, then we will hear testimony from anyone who wishes to speak about the agency's budget request. When you come to testify, state and spell your first and last name for the record before you testify. Be concise. We request that you would limit your testimony to five minutes or less. When you begin your testimony, the light on the table will be green. When the yellow light comes on, you have one minute remaining. And the red light indicates you need to wrap up your final thought and stop. Questions from the committee may follow. Written material may be distributed to the committee members as exhibits only while testimony is being offered. Hand them to the page for distribution when you come up to testify. If you have written testimony, but do not have 12 copies, please let the page know so they can make copies for you. With that, we will begin today's hearing with Agency 40, Nebraska Motor Vehicle Licens-- Licensing Board. Welcome.

[AGENCY HEARINGS]

CLEMENTS: That concludes Agency 73 and concludes our hearings for the day in an hour and 10 minutes.