

**ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2022**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB803**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday February 02, 2022

**Committee On:** Natural Resources

**Introducer:** Hughes

**One Liner:** Redefine immediate family for purposes of obtaining limited permits for deer, antelope, wild turkey, or elk

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

Indefinitely postponed

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 7 Senators Aguilar, Bostelman, Cavanaugh, J., Gragert, Hughes, Jacobson, Moser

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:** 1 Senator Wayne

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**Oral Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Dan Hughes

**Representing:**

Introducer

**Opponents:**

Scott Smathers

Chad Podolak

George Cunningham

**Representing:**

Nebraska Sportsmen's Foundation; BGCA

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Nebraska Wildlife Federation

**Neutral:**

Timothy McCoy

**Representing:**

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

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

LB803 amends section 37-455 to expand the definition of immediate family member of a landowner or leaseholder to include grandchildren and step grandchildren and their spouses for the purpose of being eligible for special hunting permits as the immediate family of a qualified landowner. The bill also increases the number of total permits and youth permits that can be issued. As amended, the bill permits eight total permits to be issued, two to adults over 19 years, and up to six for youth. LB803 was amended into LB809.

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Bruce Bostelman, Chairperson