

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB140

Hearing Date: Monday January 23, 2023
Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications
Introducer: Brandt
One Liner: Provide for Czech Heritage license plates

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Bostelman, Brandt, Cavanaugh, M., DeBoer, DeKay, Fredrickson, Geist, Moser

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Tom Brandt
Mila Saskova-Pierce
Layne Pierce
Linda Taborek
Roger L. Chrans
Debbie Spanyers
Don Wesely
Sheryl Kastonek
Marvin A. Kohout
Senator Tom Brewer

Representing:

Introducer
Lincoln Czechs, Honorary Counsel of the Czech Republic
Czech Language Foundation
Czechs of Lincoln, Czech Language Foundation
Saline County, City of Wilber
Self
Self
City of Wilbur
Saline County
LD 44

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accomodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Section 7 and 8 of the bill provides for the creation and issuance of a new license plate for motor vehicles - Czech Heritage Plates.

Plate design shall be done in consultation with the Czech Honorary Counsel of Nebraska and shall reflect Czech heritage in Nebraska. The manufacturing cost shall not exceed the cost of the standard Nebraska license plate. If the cost of manufacture exceeds the cost of standard license plates the excess cost amount shall be transferred from the Department of Motor

Vehicles Cash Fund to the Highway Trust Fund.

Two types of plate shall be issued:

- 1) Alphanumeric, 5 characters with no county designator. The plate requires an additional fee of \$5; and
- 2) Personalized message, with up to 5 characters. The plate requires an additional fee of \$40.

The additional fee charged upon issuance is to be deposited to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

Issuance of the plate will end if the total number of plates issued is less than 500 per year in any consecutive two-year period.

Suzanne Geist, Chairperson