ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023 COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB252

Hearing Date:	Wednesday January 25, 2023
Committee On:	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer:	Brewer
One Liner:	Change provisions relating to veterans' homes and veterans' aid

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results: Aye: Nay: Absent: Present Not Voting:	8	Senators Sanders	Aguilar,	Brewer,	Conrad,	Halloran,	Hunt,	Lowe,	Raybould,	
	Testimony:									
Proponents:				Representing:						
Senator Tom Brewer				Introducer						
John Hilgert	Nel	Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs								
Ryan McIntosh	Nat	National Guard Association of Nebraska								
Opponents:			Re	presentin	g:					

Representing:

Neutral:

* ADA Accomodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

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This bill revises statutes governing the administration of state-run veterans' homes in Nebraska. It updates facility names, rewords ambiguous references to the Director of Veterans' Affairs (DVA), and removes the requirement for DVA to be provided an office inside the State Capitol building. The bill would also delegate some authority to the director's designee in the processing of applications for servicemembers, their spouses, and their children for tuition credits awarded based on service-related death, disability, or classification as missing-in-action or prisoner-of-war.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 153 is adding "Died while on active duty" to the list of eligibility requirements for a tuition waiver for a dependent of a deceased veteran under section 80-411.

Tom Brewer, Chairperson