

**ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2012**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB729**

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**Hearing Date:** Tuesday January 17, 2012  
**Committee On:** Urban Affairs  
**Introducer:** Mello  
**One Liner:** Provide powers to an authority and change bond provisions under the Community Development Law

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

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 7 Senators Ashford, Coash, Cook, Krist, Lambert, McGill, Smith  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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<b>Proponents:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>
Senator Mello	Self
R.E. Cunningham	City of Omaha
Amanda Brewer	Habitat for Humanity of Omaha
Lynn Rex	League of NE Municipalities

<b>Opponents:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>
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<b>Neutral:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>
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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 729 updates the Community Development Law by allowing municipalities to utilize community development funds to demolish unsafe or unfit properties, and allowing municipalities to use special assessments for repayment of bonds issued under the Community Development Law.

**Comments/Analysis:**

Section 1 amends Neb.Rev.Stat. 18-2103 to include demolition in the definition of a Redevelopment Project in subsection 12.

Section 2 amends 18-2107 to include a new section that allows demolition of any structure determined by the governing body of the city to be unsafe or unfit for human occupancy in accordance with section 18-1722.01 under the powers granted to a public body corporate and politic, exercising public and essential governmental functions and having all powers necessary to carry out the purposes and provisions of the Community Development Law.

Section 3 amends 18-2124 to allow special assessments levied by a city to be added to the list of sources of revenue to be used to repay bonds issued under the Community Development Law.

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Amanda McGill, Chairperson