

**ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB1008**

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**Hearing Date:** Tuesday February 04, 2014  
**Committee On:** Agriculture  
**Introducer:** Haar  
**One Liner:** Change duties of the Climate Assessment Response Committee

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

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Bloomfield, Hansen, Harr, Johnson, Lathrop, Schilz, Wallman
<b>Nay:</b>		
<b>Absent:</b>	1	Senator Chambers
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Proponents:**

Senator Ken Haar  
Kenneth Winston  
John Hansen  
Robert Ogleby  
Cynthia Tiedeman  
Rev. Helen Grees  
John Pollack  
Mark Welsch

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraska Sierra Club  
Nebraska Farmers Union  
Self  
League of Women Voters  
Self  
Self  
Self

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

Richard Koelsch  
Buffalo Bruce McIntosh  
Matt Joeckel

**Representing:**

University of Nebraska  
Self  
UNL

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

Section 2 4902 assigns a series of duties to the Climate Assessment Response Committee. Current statute includes among these duties that Committee act as a resource to the Governor and other parties for information and research regarding the impacts of cyclical climate change. Additionally, the Committee is assigned a duty to prepare a report in two stages

a an initial report by September 1, 2014 on the topic of cyclical climate change including a synthesis and assessment of the state of knowledge on historical and projected climate characteristics and implications for key resources and economic sectors, and

b a final report to the Governor and Legislature that includes the Climate Assessment Response Committee's recommendations and response options

LB 1008 strikes the duty to prepare an initial report due on September 1, 2014, and revises the duty for a report to the

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Governor and Legislature due December 1, 2014 to include a report on cyclical climate change and that includes recommendations of the Committee based on reports and recommendations submitted to the Committee.

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Ken Schilz, Chairperson