## ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB283

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday February 11, 2015

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Baker

One Liner: Allow school districts and educational service units to make emergency expenditures under the

**Emergency Management Act** 

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

Advanced to General File

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 8 Senators Bloomfield, Craighead, Garrett, Groene, Hansen, Larson,

McCoy, Murante

Nay:

Absent:

**Present Not Voting:** 

**Verbal Testimony:** 

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Roy Baker Introducer

Steve Joel Lincoln Public Schools

Jennifer Jorgensen

Nebraska Association of School Boards

Jason Hayes

Nebraska State Education Association

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 283 gives school districts and educational service units the ability, in the event of a disaster, emergency, or civil defense emergency the ability to make emergency expenditures, enter into contracts, and incur obligations for emergency management purposes.

If any such expenditure will be in excess of or in violation of existing statutory limitations, a certificate stating that such action is necessary in the public interest must be issued from the county in which the school district or principal office of the ESU is located. Then the expenditure must be approved by a vote of the governing body of the school district or ESU.

John Murante, Chairperson