



**Ninety-Seventh Legislature - Second Session - 2002**  
**Committee Statement**  
**LB 993**

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**Hearing Date:** January 30, 2002  
**Committee On:** Natural Resources

**Introducer(s):** (Schrock, Preister)  
**Title:** Create the Game and Parks Commission Advisory Board

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**Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File  
Advanced to General File with Amendments  
X Indefinitely Postponed

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**Vote Results:**

8	Yes	Senators Bromm, Bruning, Hudkins, Jones, Kremer, Preister, Schrock, Stuhr
0	No	
0	Present, not voting	
0	Absent	

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**Proponents:**

Jody Gittins  
Clyde Anderson

**Representing:**

Introducer  
NE Sierra Club

**Opponents:**

Wes Sheets  
Tom Lanz  
Tom Plummer  
Greg Ruehle  
Gloria Erickson  
Joe Gabig

**Representing:**

NE Division of Izaak Walton League of America  
Self  
Self  
NE Cattlemen  
Self  
Self

**Neutral:**

Joel Sartorie

**Representing:**

Conservative Alliance of the Great Plains

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

LB 993 does the following:

Section 1: Allows the Governor to select from a list of qualified candidates recommended by the Game and Parks Advisory Board to fill any vacancies on the Game and Parks Commission.

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Section 2: Creates the Game and Parks Commission Advisory Board of three members appointed by the Governor within 60 days after the beginning of the Governor's term. The terms of the members of the advisory board shall be four years.

(a) One person actively engaged for at least three years in agriculture, including crop production or livestock production;

(b) One person actively engaged for at least three years in a statewide hunting or fishing organization; and

(c) One person actively engaged for at least three years in a recreational organization, including, but not limited to, statewide camping or trails organization.

Requires the Governor to make sure that the appointments to this advisory board have demonstrated competence, experience and interest in the natural and associated recreational resources of the state.

Requires the advisory board to:

(a) Develop, maintain and publicize a job description for members of the Commission consistent with the statutory requirements;

(b) Identify, recruit and interview qualified candidates for membership on the Commission; and

(c) Submit a list to the Governor of three names at minimum, and no more than five names for each vacancy on the Commission.

Requires the members to select a chairperson, to serve for a period of one year.

Requires the members to meet at least once each year prior to June 30, and attend any additional meetings as required.

Two members of the advisory board shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3: Establishes the operative date of this act as January 1, 2003.

Section 4: Repealer section.

**Explanation of amendments, if any:**

None

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**Senator Ed Schrock, Chairperson**