



Ninety-Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2001
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 269

Chairperson: Senator Kermit A. Brashear
Committee: Judiciary
Date of Hearing: January 19, 2001

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 269 amends sections 25-2706 and 30-2488, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 24-517, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2000, to extend the concurrent jurisdiction of the county courts to civil actions when the amount in controversy does not exceed \$100,000.

Current law provides for concurrent jurisdiction when the amount in controversy does not exceed \$15,000.

An award of the county court that exceeds \$100,000, under the terms of LB 269, is not void or unenforceable. If an award does exceed such an amount, the county court shall tax as additional costs the difference between the filing fee in district court and the filing fee in county court.

LB 269 requires the county court to certify the proceedings to the district court if the amount in controversy exceeds \$100,000 and a party to the action requests the transfer.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Jim D. Cudaback