



Ninety-Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2006
Committee Statement
LB 872

Hearing Date: January 20, 2006
Committee On: Natural Resources

Introducer(s): (Schrock)

Title: Provide for emissions trading programs under the Environmental Protection Act

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

- X Advanced to General File
 - Advanced to General File with Amendments
 - Indefinitely Postponed
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Vote Results:

6	Yes	Senators Huddkins, Kopplin, McDonald, Schrock, Smith, Stuhr
0	No	
0	Present, not voting	
2	Absent	Senators Kremer, Louden

Proponents:

Jody Gittins
Shelley Kaderly
Joseph Citta

Representing:

Introducer
Department of Environmental Quality
Nebraska Public Power District; Nebraska Power
Association

Opponents:

Ken Winston

Representing:

Nebraska Chapter, Sierra Club

Neutral:

None

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 872 does the following:

Section 1 (12) (j) Requires the Environmental Quality Council to adopt and promulgate rules and regulations for air pollution control to include provisions for implementation of emissions trading programs. Such programs shall be consistent with the federal Clean Air Act and administered through the operating permit program.

- Section 2 (2)(b)(viii) Adds the development and implementation of an emissions trading program to be part of the calculation in determining the annual emission fee, which is calculated by the Department of Environmental Quality.
- Section 3 Repealer.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

None

Senator Ed Schrock, Chairperson