



**Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008  
Committee Statement  
LB 585**

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**Hearing Date:** March 21, 2007  
**Committee On:** Judiciary

**Introducer(s):** (Preister)

**Title:** Change provisions relating to the dispensing of cigarettes or other tobacco products

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**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:**

5	Yes	Sen. Ashford, Sen. Lathrop, Sen. McGill, Sen. Pirsch, Sen. Schimek
	No	
2	Present, not voting	Sen. McDonald, Sen. Pedersen
1	Absent	Sen. Chambers

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**Proponents:**

Sen. Preister  
Ron Jensen  
Kathy Burson  
Ted Wright

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Altria Corporate Services  
Pride – Omaha  
Ted’s Tabacco

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

Legislative Bill 585 proposes to prohibit self service methods of marketing tobacco products, defined as any method of displaying and dispensing cigarettes which does not require the intervention of another person or employee. Nebraska currently prohibits the sale of cigarettes through vending machines and the intent of this bill is not to change that practice. Senator Preister is offering an amendment to correct the technical flaw in the bill which unintentionally authorizes vending machine sales.

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**Explanation of amendments, if any:**

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**Senator Brad Ashford, Chairperson**