



**Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Committee Statement
LR 8CA**

Hearing Date: January 25, 2007

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (Avery, 28)

Title: Constitutional amendment to change signature requirements for initiative petitions

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 Adams, Aguilar, Avery, Karpisek, Mines, Rogert
1	No	Senator Friend
0	Present, not voting	
1	Absent	Senator Pahls

Proponents:

Senator Bill Avery
Dick Herman
Jack Gould
Lynn Rex

Representing:

Introducer
Self
Common Cause Nebraska
League of Nebraska Municipalities

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LR 8CA changes the signature requirements for initiative petitions.

The number of signatures required for the enactment of a law is decreased from seven to four percent of the registered voters of the state. The number of signatures required to amend the Constitution is increased from ten to fifteen percent of registered voters of the state.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Ray Aguilar, Chairperson