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## AMENDMENTS TO LB 375

Introduced by Judiciary.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following

2 new sections:

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3 Section 1. Section 25-1801, Reissue Revised Statutes of

Nebraska, is amended to read: 4 5 25-1801 Any person, partnership, limited liability 6 company, association, or corporation in this state having a 7 claim which amounts to  $\frac{1}{1}$  thousand dollars or less against 8 any person, partnership, limited liability company, association, or corporation doing business in this state for (1) services 9 10 rendered, (2) labor done, (3) material furnished, (4) overcharges 11 made and collected, (5) lost or damaged personal property, (6) 12 damage resulting from delay in transmission or transportation, (7) 13 livestock killed or injured in transit, or (8) charges covering articles and service affecting the life and well-being of the 14 15 debtor which are adjudged by the court to be necessaries of life may present the same to such person, partnership, limited liability 16 17 company, association, or corporation, or to any agent thereof, 18 for payment in any county where suit may be instituted for the 19 collection of the same. If, at the expiration of ninety days after 20 the presentation of such claim, the same has not been paid or 21 satisfied, he, she, or it may institute suit thereon in the proper

court. If payment is made to the plaintiff by or on behalf of

the defendant after the filing of the suit but before judgment is

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taken, except as otherwise agreed in writing by the plaintiff, the 1 2 plaintiff shall be entitled to receive the costs of suit whether by voluntary payment or judgment. If he, she, or it establishes 3 4 the claim and secures judgment thereon, he, she, or it shall be 5 entitled to recover the full amount of such judgment and all costs of suit thereon, and, in addition thereto, interest on the amount 6 7 of the claim at the rate of six percent per annum from the date of presentation thereof, and, if he, she, or it has an attorney 8 employed in the case, an amount for attorney's fees as provided 9 10 in this section. If the cause is taken to an appellate court 11 and plaintiff shall recover judgment thereon, the appellate court 12 shall tax as costs in the action, to be paid to the plaintiff, an additional amount for attorney's fees in such appellate court 13 14 as provided in this section, except that if the party in interest 15 fails to recover a judgment in excess of the amount that may 16 have been tendered by any person, partnership, limited liability 17 company, association, or corporation liable under this section, then such party in interest shall not recover the attorney's fees 18 19 provided by this section. Attorney's fees shall be assessed by the 20 court in a reasonable amount but shall in no event be less than 21 ten dollars when the judgment is fifty dollars or less and when 22 the judgment is over fifty dollars up to two four thousand dollars 23 the attorney's fee shall be ten dollars plus ten percent of the judgment in excess of fifty dollars. 24

25 Sec. 2. Original section 25-1801, Reissue Revised 26 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.