ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB434

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 11, 2009

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer: Janssen

One Liner: Change ballot questions regarding township organization

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 6 Senators Giese, Janssen, Karpisek, Pirsch, Price, Sullivan

Nay:

Absent: 2 Senators Avery, Pahls

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Charlie Janssen Introducer

Beth Bazyn Ferrell Nebraska Association of County Officials

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 434 changes the questions on the ballot when voting on township organization.

When a county is deciding whether to adopt the township organization, the questions on the ballot will be: For changing to township organization with a seven member board of supervisors; or Against changing to township organization. Current language states: For township organization or Against township organization.

When a county is deciding whether to discontinue township organization, the questions on the ballot will be: For discontinuance of township organization and creation of a county board of commissioners; or Against changing to a commissioner form of county government. The county votes on whether there will be five or seven county commissioners. The current language states: For continuance of township organization; or For discontinuance of township organization and creation of a county board of commissioners.

Bill Avery, Chairperson