

**ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB488**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 26, 2009  
**Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Introducer:** Gloor  
**One Liner:** Change provisions relating to veterans' homes

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 8 Senators Avery, Giese, Janssen, Karpisek, Pahls, Pirsch, Price, Sullivan  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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<b>Proponents:</b> Senator Mike Gloor John Hilgert  Mike Coatney	<b>Representing:</b> Introducer Department of Veterans' Affairs, and Department of Health and Human Services Department of Veterans' Affairs
<b>Opponents:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>
<b>Neutral:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>

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

LB 488 allows all persons who served in the armed forces of the United States and who were discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions) to be eligible to be a resident at a Nebraska veterans' home. Currently, only veterans who have served during times of war are allowed to be residents.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

The committee amendment adds language clarifying that veterans who served on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, other than active duty for training, are eligible for admission to a Nebraska veterans' home.

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Bill Avery, Chairperson