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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1116

Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: February 23, 2012

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 1116 replaces the State Court Administrator with the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court as the recognized judicial branch representative on the Nebraska Capitol Commission.

Currently, the executive branch is represented on the Nebraska Capitol Commission by the Governor and the legislative branch is represented by the Speaker of the Legislature. In treating the three branches equally, LB 1116 identifies the head of the judicial branch as the recognized judicial branch representative on the Nebraska Capitol Commission.

Similar to provisions adopted by LB 752 in 2008 to allow the Governor and the Speaker to designate a representative to attend a meeting in his or her absence, LB 1116 allows the Chief Justice to designate the State Court Administrator to attend a meeting in the Chief Justice's absence. The State Court Administrator would have full voting privileges for any meeting he or she attends on behalf of the Chief Justice.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Mike Flood