

**ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB662**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday January 23, 2014  
**Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Introducer:** Krist  
**One Liner:** Provide and change requirements for voter identification

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Indefinitely postponed

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Avery, Bloomfield, Garrett, Karpisek, Lautenbaugh, Murante, Scheer, Wallman

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Proponents:**

Senator Bob Krist  
John Gale  
Sandra Stelling

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Secretary of State  
Clerks/Register of Deeds/Election Commissioners

**Opponents:**

Adam Morfeld  
Donna Roller  
Sherry Miller  
Beatty Brasch  
Alan Potash  
Rebecca Gonzales  
Amy Miller  
Gavin Geis

**Representing:**

Nebraskans for Civic Reform  
Self  
League of Women Voters of Nebraska  
Center for People in Need  
Anti-Defamation League  
Nebraska Appleseed  
ACLU Nebraska  
Common Cause Nebraska

**Neutral:**

Wayne Bena

**Representing:**

Sarpy County Election Commission

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

LB 662 makes changes regarding identification requirements for certain voters.

Under the bill, a person who registers to vote by mail and has not previously voted in an election within the state is required to present a government document that shows the same name and residence address as the person's registration application.

Government document is defined in the Election Act as an identification document issued by a federal, state, or local government agency that includes the name and address of the voter as they appear on the registration application.

Under current law, first time voters who register by mail are allowed to show photographic identification, utility bills, bank statement, government check, paycheck or other government document dated within 60 days.

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The second change to the bill requires a person who fails to return a confirmation card to the election commissioner or county clerk prior to 6 p.m. on the second Friday before the election and who appears at his or her polling site as it appears on the voter's registration record will present, at the time of voting, a current and valid government document which has a photograph or digital image of the person and includes the same name and residence of the person as shown on the precinct list before receiving a ballot.

Under current law and under LB 662, a person is mailed this confirmation card if the election official receives information the person has moved from the address at which he or she is registered to vote.

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Bill Avery, Chairperson