

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB855

Hearing Date: Monday January 25, 2016
Committee On: Business and Labor
Introducer: Ebke
One Liner: Require rounding a certain dollar amount in the Employment Security Law to the nearest whole dollar amount

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Bloomfield, Crawford, Ebke, Harr, Howard, Johnson
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Chambers
Present Not Voting:		

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents: Laura Ebke John Albin	Representing: Introducer Nebraska Department of Labor
Opponents:	Representing:
Neutral:	Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

To be eligible for unemployment benefits, an individual must earn a total sum of wages, which is adjusted annually equal to the previous amount plus the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index. For new claims filed in 2015, the amount is \$4,094.89. For new claims filed in 2016, the amount is \$4,107.61.

LB 855 allows the adjusted amount to be rounded down to the nearest whole dollar.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 2063 amends LB 855 to allow the adjusted amount to be rounded to the nearest whole dollar, with amounts ending in fifty cents or more being rounded to the next highest whole dollar amount.

Burke Harr, Chairperson