Hearing Date: Monday January 23, 2017
Committee On: Banking, Commerce and Insurance
Introducer: Lindstrom
One Liner: Change provisions relating to licensee surety bonds under the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File

Vote Results:
Aye: 8  Senators Baker, Brewer, Craighead, Kolterman, Lindstrom, McCollister, Schumacher, Williams
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:
Proponents: Representing:
Senator Brett Lindstrom  Introducer
Director Mark Quandahl  NE Dept. of Banking and Finance

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:
LB186, introduced at the request of the Nebraska Department of Banking and Finance, would amend the surety bond requirements of the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act. The bill would provide, section by section, as follows:

Section 1 would amend section 8-2727 to change the method of calculating the amount of a licensee's surety bond, over the base amount of $100,000, from an amount based on the number of physical locations in Nebraska to an amount based on the licensee's volume of money transmitter transactions in Nebraska. The amendment provides that a bond must be increased by $50,000 for each increase in transaction volume of two million dollars, up to a maximum of a $250,000 bond. The surety bond could also be reduced if there was a corresponding decrease in the volume of transactions. A licensee would be required to increase its surety bond upon thirty days' written notice from the department that the bond is deficient based on the licensee's reported volume of transactions.

Section 2 would provide for repealer of the amendatory section.

Brett Lindstrom, Chairperson