

**ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2018**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB784**

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**Hearing Date:** Monday January 22, 2018  
**Committee On:** Business and Labor  
**Introducer:** Vargas  
**One Liner:** Change the Employee Classification Act to prohibit contractors with unpaid fines from contracting with the state or political subdivisions

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

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 7 Senators Albrecht, Chambers, Crawford, Halloran, Hansen, Howard, Lowe

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Tony Vargas  
Matt Scott  
Felicia Hilton  
Steven Howard

**Representing:**

Introducer  
North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters  
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Nebraska State AFL-CIO

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

John Albin

**Representing:**

Commissioner, Nebraska Department of Labor

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

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 48-2907 currently allows the Commissioner of Labor to assess a fine against a contractor who has violated the Employee Classification Act.

Section 1 of LB 784 adds a subsection to § 48-2907. The new subsection prevents contractors who have been assessed a fine for violating the Employee Classification Act, but have not paid the fine, from contracting with the state or a political subdivision of the state until the fine is paid.

Section 2 amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 48-2911 to require the contractor to submit an affidavit attesting that the contractor is not barred from contracting with the state or political subdivision due to unpaid fines from a violation of the Employee Classification Act. This requirement would be in addition to the other attestations a contractor currently has to make.

Section 3 repeals the original sections of Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 48-2907 and 48-2911.

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Joni Albrecht, Chairperson