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

Under current law, every Nebraska county, with the sole exception of Douglas County, is able to impose a 911 surcharge of up to $1 on landline service users and up to 70 cents on wireless service users. In both categories, landline and wireless, Douglas County is limited to a 50 cent surcharge. The purpose of LB 43 is to equalize 911 surcharges across the state by removing the statutory exception for counties containing a city of the metropolitan class. LB 43 would bring Douglas County into balance with the rest of the Nebraska counties.

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Senator Robert Hilkemann