

**ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2020**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT (CORRECTED)**  
**LB752**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 27, 2020  
**Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Introducer:** Blood  
**One Liner:** Provide duties and programs relating to veterans

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

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Blood, Brewer, Hansen, M., Hilgers, Kolowski, La Grone, Lowe
<b>Nay:</b>		
<b>Absent:</b>	1	Senator Hunt
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Oral Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Carol Blood  
Martin Dempsey  
John McNally

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Department of Defense  
Nebraska Department of Veterans Affairs

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

As originally introduced, this bill proposes a Veterans Bill of Rights. It would require license requirement review across numerous areas subject to occupational licensure. It would create an exception to the Nebraska licensure requirements for drivers with military motor vehicle experience and related duties for the Department of Motor Vehicles. The bill would also mandate data collection and reporting by state agencies relating to veterans' mental health, suicide, and homelessness.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

AM 2727 eliminates the original sections of the bill and consists of a single section, derived from Section 19, sec. 1, para. 2 of the original bill. That language would direct the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services and the Department of Veterans' Affairs to work jointly to encourage service providers in state and local agencies and departments to regularly enquire about personal or family military service history in intake forms and interviews.

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Tom Brewer, Chairperson