

**One Hundred Sixth Legislature - Second Session - 2020**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB823**

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**Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: January 22, 2020**

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

This bill would require a special election to be held in counties effected by public power's use of eminent domain under a special set of circumstances. In the event 51% or more of a proposed public power project was funded by an out-of-state organization, such as a regional transmission authority, the people of the counties involved would determine whether eminent domain could be used by Nebraska public power organizations on the behalf of said out-of-state third parties.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Tom Brewer