

**ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2022**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB791**

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**Hearing Date:** Friday January 28, 2022  
**Committee On:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Introducer:** Lowe  
**One Liner:** Change a population requirement relating to county surveyors, engineers, and highway superintendents

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

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 8 Senators Blood, Brewer, Halloran, Hansen, M., Hunt, Lowe, McCollister, Sanders

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Present Not Voting:**

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**Oral Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator John Lowe  
Pamela Lancaster  
Scott Peters  
Jon Cannon

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Hall County Board of Commissioners  
Hall County  
Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO)

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

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The qualifications and role of the county surveyor are set in part based on the population of the county that they serve. The county surveyor serves in multiple roles in most Nebraska counties, including that of surveyor, county engineer, and county highway superintendent. The largest counties break out these same responsibilities across several county offices. County surveyors in the largest counties must also possess more specific qualifications relating to their position. This bill would increase the population threshold at which the first tranche of qualifications requirements is applied from 60,000 to 100,000.

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Tom Brewer, Chairperson