

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB688

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 31, 2023
Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications
Introducer: Erdman
One Liner: State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Motor Vehicles

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

Vote Results:
Aye: 6 Senators Bostelman, Brandt, DeKay, Fredrickson, Geist, Moser
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting: 2 Senators Cavanaugh, M., DeBoer

Testimony:

Proponents:
Steve Erdman
Jack Peetz
John Waters
Tim Keigher

Andrew Dunkley

Blair MacDonald

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Trucking Association
Werner Enterprises
Nebraska Petroleum Marketers, Convenience Store
Association of Nebraska
Nebraska Farm Bureau, the rest of Ag Leaders Working
Group
Nebraska Beverage Association, Nebraska Grocery
Industry Association

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Enacts a new provision of law stating that it is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate \$10,000,000 to the Department of Motor Vehicles from the General Fund for the purpose of funding grants to fund commercial driver's license and diesel technology training.

Amends section 84-612; Cash Reserve Fund

The section is amended to provide for a transfer of \$10,000,000 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund.

Adds the Emergency Clause

Explanation of amendments:

The Committee considered and adopted an amendment which accomplishes the following:

The standing committee amendment substitutes for the bill.

Authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to contract with a non-profit entity based in Nebraska to approve training providers to receive grants. The non-profit entity shall receive up to 7% of the funds appropriated to pay for administrative expenses.

A training provider receiving a grant shall, at no cost, provide training to obtain a commercial driver's license or diesel technology education.

Requires that \$5 million be transferred from the Cash Reserve Fund to the General Fund beginning after September 30, 2023.

Suzanne Geist, Chairperson