

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2026
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB1058

Hearing Date: Thursday February 19, 2026
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Hallstrom
One Liner: Provide for an additional grant under the Nebraska Visitors Development Act and state intent relating to funding

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

Vote Results:

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| Aye: | 7 | Senators Sanders, Andersen, Cavanaugh, J., Guereca, Lonowski, Meyer, F., Wordekemper |
| Nay: | | |
| Absent: | 1 | Senator Hunt |
| Present Not Voting: | | |

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Bob Hallstrom
Sara Crook
Jeffrey Owusu-Ansah

Representing:

Opening Presenter
Missouri River Basin Lewis & Clark Center
Nebraska Travel Association

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill would amend a section of statute pertaining to the duties of the Nebraska Tourism Commission.

Section 1 would direct the Commission to develop a program to make a grant to an organization promoting tourism that is located along the Missouri River and within five miles of a city of the first class. It also specifies the contents of applications submitted by such an organization for grants. This section also includes language indicating the intent of the Legislature to appropriate one hundred fifty thousand dollars from the General Fund for this purpose.

Section 2 contains the partial repealer.

Section 3 contains the emergency clause.

Explanation of amendments:



AM 2050 changes language relating to intent to appropriate money from the General Fund to instead provide for sourcing such intended appropriation from the State Visitors Promotion Cash Fund.

Rita Sanders, Chairperson

