

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2026
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB1116

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 18, 2026
Committee On: Revenue
Introducer: Ibach
One Liner: Change provisions relating to the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators von Gillern, Bostar, Dungan, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Murman, Sorrentino

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Teresa Ibach
Anthony Carrow
Craig Wolf
Jeff Weak
Lynn Rex

Representing:

Opening Presenter
Nebraska Elite Volleyball
Wolf Pack Sports Foundation
Wolf Pack Sports Foundation
League of Nebraska Municipalities

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1116 amends sections of the Nebraska Revised Statutes to allow second class cities and villages to use funds under the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act for ten years, up from five years; and changes certain provisions about review of applications and quorum under the Act.

Section-by-Section Summary:

Section 1. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-3103 to increase the number of years of funding a second class city or village is eligible for under the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act from five years to ten years; and harmonizes text.

Section 2. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-3105 to change the review application language from simply holding a



hearing after review of the application, to a thirty day timeframe in which to hold a review after completing the review.

Section 3. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-3106 to change the board application decision deadline to be either 30 days from the hearing or from the effective date of the Act, whichever is later, for applications submitted before the act's effective date, to 30 days from the hearing for applications submitted after the effective date of the act; changes the consideration of fiscal and economic capacity to determine if assistance is in the best interest of the state from being required to being permitted; and changes the quorum requirements for actions of the board from a majority of all board members, one of which must be the Governor, to a majority of board members present at the meeting.

Section 4. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-3108 to harmonize provisions with the changes made in section 1 of this bill.

Section 5. Repealer.

Section 6. Emergency Clause.

R. Brad von Gillern, Chairperson

