

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2025
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB372

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 28, 2025
Committee On: Agriculture
Introducer: McKeon
One Liner: Eliminate the Nebraska Origin and Premium Quality Grain Cash Fund, the Agricultural Suppliers Lease Protection Act, labeling requirements for honey, a deceptive trade practice and provisions relating to grain inspections, special certificates, fees, and powers and duties of the Department of Agriculture

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

Vote Results:
Aye: 8 Senators DeKay, Hansen, Holdcroft, Ibach, Kauth, McKeon, Storm, Raybould
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents:
Senator Dan McKeon
Sherry Vinton

Representing:
Opening Presenter
Nebraska Department of Agriculture

Opponents:
Rocky Weber
Jeremy Wilhelm
Bill Kutilek

Representing:
Nebraska Cooperative Council
Frontier Cooperative
Crosby Guenzel, LLP

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 372 outright repeals the Agricultural Suppliers Lease Protection Act (secs. 2-5501 to 2-5508), a statute directing the Department of Agriculture to create an identity standard for honey (sec. 81-2,181), and statutes assigning authority to the Department to provide grain quality and origin certification services (secs. 2-3813 and 2-3814).

Section-by-section summary:

Sec. 1: Amends sec. 75-190 to strike what becomes an obsolete reference to the Agricultural Suppliers Lease Protection Act due to that Act's outright repeal by section 3 of the bill.



Sec. 2: Repealer

Sec. 3: Outright repeals the following statutes: secs. 2-3813 and 2-3814, 2-5501 to 2-5508, and 81-2-181.

Explanation of amendments:

The Committee amendment (AM81) omits sections of the Agricultural Suppliers Lease Protection Act (secs. 2-5501 to 2-5508) from the listing of outright repealed sections in section 3 as introduced. Since these sections are no longer repealed by the bill, original sections 1 and 2 become obsolete and are also omitted from the bill as amended.

Barry DeKay, Chairperson

