

ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2026
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB883

Hearing Date: Friday January 30, 2026
Committee On: Revenue
Introducer: Andersen
One Liner: Change provisions relating to the Civic and Community Center Financing Act and the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Grant Program

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators von Gillern, Bostar, Dungan, Ibach, Kauth, Jacobson, Murman, Sorrentino
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Bob Andersen
Michael Sothan
Lynn Rex

Representing:

Opening Presenter
Nebraska State Historical Society
League of Nebraska Municipalities

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 883 adds demolition to the uses of the Civic and Community Center Financing Fund; and adds requirements and other permissions for the State Historic Preservation Officer in conducting their duties regarding grants for substandard and abandoned property.

Section 1. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-2703 to amend the definition of "historic building or district" to change the word building to property; adds a determination by the State Historic Preservation Officer to include a property on the National Register of Historic Places; and adds a requirement for an ordinance or a resolution by a local political subdivision.

Section 2. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-2704.01 to include demolition to the permissible reimbursement uses for the Civic and Community Center Financing Fund; and substitutes property for "substandard and abandoned buildings" for permissible use of the Fund as well.



Section 3. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 13-2705 to include demolition to the permissible application causes and adding documentation as a requirement indicating preservation-based mitigation strategies were agreed upon by the applicant and the State Historic Preservation Officer.

Section 4. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 19-1201 to replace "dilapidated commercial property" with "substandard and abandoned commercial property".

Section 5. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 19-1202 to replace dilapidated with "substandard and abandoned" to harmonize with a change made in Section 4 of this bill; adds a provision that the requirements of new subsection (2) are met if the property is listed on the National Register of Historic Places; adds new subsection (2) creating a new requirement if property is on the National Register of Historic Places of determination of substandard and abandoned and mitigation strategies agreed to; adds new subsection (3) to provide, for this section, definitions for certified building professional, and substandard and abandoned commercial property.

Section 6. Amends Neb. Rev. Stat. § 19-1204 to add necessary and reasonable costs for the State Historic Preservation Officer to carry out his or her duties to permissible uses for the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Fund.

Section 7. Repealer.

R. Brad von Gillern, Chairperson

