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LEGISLATIVE BILL 629

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Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to counties; to adopt the County Initiative
- 2 and Referendum Act.
- 3 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 **Section 1.** (1) Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall be known and may
2 be cited as the County Initiative and Referendum Act.

3 (2) The powers of initiative and referendum are hereby reserved to
4 the qualified electors of each county in the state. The County Initiative
5 and Referendum Act shall govern the use of initiative to enact and the
6 use of referendum to amend or repeal measures affecting the governance of
7 all counties in the state.

8 **Sec. 2.** For purposes of the County Initiative and Referendum Act:

9 (1) Circulator means any person who solicits signatures for an
10 initiative or referendum petition; and

11 (2) Measure means any ordinance, charter provision, or resolution
12 which is within the legislative authority of the county board of a county
13 to pass and which is not excluded from the operation of referendum by any
14 exception in the County Initiative and Referendum Act. Measure does not
15 include any action permitted by the Nebraska Advantage Transformational
16 Tourism and Redevelopment Act.