ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB990

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 24, 2010

Committee On: Judiciary Introducer: Council

One Liner: Change reduction of sentence provisions for a person sentenced to a city or county jail

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Ashford, Christensen, Coash, Council, Lautenbaugh, McGill,

Rogert

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting: 1 Senator Lathrop

Proponents: Representing:

Sen. Brenda Council Introducer
Marty Conboy City of Omaha

Mark Foxall

Joe Kohout

Douglas County Department of Corrections

Lancaster County Department of Corrections

Katie Zulkoski Nebraska State Bar Association

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 990 would change the accumulation of "good time" for individuals sentenced to city or county jail from "seven days for each fourteen consecutive days" to "after the fifteenth day of confinement, term of incarceration will be reduced one day for each day of the sentence, provided the inmate has not breached any terms of discipline or other jail violation."

LB 990 also strikes the provision that provided that reductions of a sentence are calculated at the end of each fourteen days, so the reduction in time would seem to begin after the required 15 day period.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 2183 to LB 990 would make the following change to LB 990:

- On page 2, line 5, after the word "her" insert "remaining" to clarify that the accumulation of "good-time" will not begin until a person has served fifteen days of their sentence.

Brad Ashford, Chairperson