## ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2012 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB1140

Hearing Date: Committee On: Introducer: One Liner:	Thursday February 23, 2012 Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Mello Provide for licensure instead of registration under the Professional Landscape Architects Act			
Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action: Advanced to General File				
Vote Results: Aye: Nay: Absent:		6	Senators Avery	, Janssen, Karpisek, Price, Seiler, Sullivan
Present Not	Voting:	2	Senators Pahls	, Wallman
<b>Proponents:</b> Senator Heath Me Eileen Bergt	lo			<b>Representing:</b> Introducer Nebraska State Board of Landscape Architects
Opponents:				Representing:
<b>Neutral:</b> Marti Neely				<b>Representing:</b> Association of Professional Landscape Designers

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1140 prohibits any person from engaging in the practice of professional landscape architecture unless he or she is licensed under the Professional Landscape Architect Act. Current law requires a person to be registered under the Act.

Any person holding a certificate of registration under the Act on the effective date of this bill will be deemed to be duly licensed until the expiration of the certificate.

Each applicant for licensure as a professional landscape architect will complete an application that includes:

1. Proof that the applicant has met the eligibility standards set by the State Board of Landscape Architects in rules and regulations in consultation with the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards;

2. Successful passage of a written or electronic examination in landscape architecture; and

3. That the applicant is of good character.

Current requirements, which are eliminated in the bill, include graduation from a four year college in a course of study in landscape architecture and practical experience in the field.

Bill Avery, Chairperson