

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB19

Hearing Date: Wednesday January 19, 2011
Committee On: Judiciary
Introducer: McCoy
One Liner: Prohibit the use of certain drug substances as prescribed

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

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Ashford, Council, Coash, Harr, Larson, Lathrop, Lautenbaugh, McGill
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Proponents:

Corey O'Brien
Christine Gabig
David Partsch
Gary Krumland
Susie Dugan
Zach Dickman
Angela Dickman
Paul Carter
Dave Bydalek
Tami Lang

Representing:

NE Atty. General's Office
Douglas County Sheriff's Office
Otoe County Attorney
League of Nebraska Municipalities
Drug Watch International
Self
Self
Pride-Omaha, Inc.
Family First
Self

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 19 would add the following synthetically produced cannabinoids to the list of Schedule I controlled substances under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act as listed under Neb. Rev. Stat. 28-405:

Tetrahydrocannabinols;
Naphthoylindoles;
Naphthylmethylindoles;
Naphthoylpyrroles;
Naphthylideneindenes;
Phenylacetylindoles;
Cyclohexylphenols;
Benzoylindoles

LB 19 provides that the penalties for possessing, manufacturing or distributing the listed synthetically produced

cannabinoids under this bill, will be the same as the possession, manufacturing or distribution of marijuana.

Penalties for possession of any amount of synthetic cannabinoids & marijuana less than an ounce:

1st Offense: Infraction, receive a citation, \$300 fine and attend a drug and alcohol course at judge's discretion.

2nd Offense: Class IV misdemeanor, receive citation, \$400 fine and a maximum of five days imprisonment.

3rd & Subsequent Off: Class IIIA misdemeanor, receive citation, \$500 fine and a maximum of seven days imprisonment.

Brad Ashford, Chairperson