

**ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB36**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday January 26, 2011  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services  
**Introducer:** Harms  
**One Liner:** Provide for a vote regarding adding fluoride to the drinking water supply

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

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 5 Senators Howard, Krist, Wallman, Bloomfield, Campbell  
**Nay:** 2 Senators Cook, Gloor  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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<b>Proponents:</b> Senator John N. Harms Kent Greenwalt	<b>Representing:</b> District #48 City of Terrytown
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<b>Opponents:</b> David O'Doharty	<b>Representing:</b> Nebraska Dental Association
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<b>Neutral:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>
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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 36 provides a process to vote on the fluoridation of the drinking water supply for a city or village that reaches the population of one thousand or more inhabitants after June 1, 2010.

Current law, under Section 71-3305, requires cities and villages of one thousand or more inhabitants to fluoride their drinking water by June 1, 2010. It allowed villages and cities the opportunity to vote, after April 18, 2008 (the effective date of the legislation) and before June 1, 2010, on an ordinance to prohibit the addition of fluoride. LB 36 allows cities and villages who attain one thousand or more inhabitants after June 1, 2010 the ability to vote on fluoridation.

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Kathy Campbell, Chairperson