ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB99

Hearing Date: Friday February 25, 2011

Committee On: Revenue **Introducer:** Coash

One Liner: Adopt the Nebraska Film Advantage Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Adams, Cornett, Fischer, Hadley, Louden, Pirsch, Utter

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator Pankonin

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Sen. Colby CoashIntroducerMichelle SchrageNE Film Assoc.Sally WalkerNE Film Assoc.

Rhett McClure NE Independent Film Projects

Kaylin Boosalis Self

Jake Hull AB Productions

Alice Licht NE Hotel and Motel Assoc.

Dave Nickel Transportation Dept.

Opponents: Representing:

Lynn Rex League of NE Municipalities

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The bill would create the Nebraska Film Advantage Act. The act would allow state administered funding of film production. The money for this new activity would come from the Local Civic, Cultural, and Convention Center Fund. On page 4 of the bill, new language allows the Department of Economic Development to make transfers from the existing fund to this new fund. A definition of eligible film projects is provided. The film receiving funding must be a feature film. No definition of this term is offered by the bill.

Abbie Cornett, Chairperson