

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB203

Hearing Date: Thursday January 24, 2013
Committee On: Natural Resources
Introducer: Scheer
One Liner: Change provisions relating to solid waste under the Environmental Protection Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:
Aye: 7 Senators Brasch, Carlson, Dubas, Haar, Johnson, Schilz, Smith
Nay:
Absent: 1 Senator Kolowski
Present Not Voting:

Proponents:
Senator Jim Scheer
John Kinter

Representing:
Introducer
Nucor Steel

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:
Mike Linder
Andy Pollock

Representing:
Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality
Waste Connections

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 203 would exclude "products" from being considered solid waste under the state's Environmental Protection Act, and would define "products" as materials that are an intended output of a fabrication, manufacturing, or production process, sold and distributed in the stream of commerce for consumption, use or further processing into another desired commodity, managed as an item of value in a controlled manner and not as a discarded material.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment replaces the introduced version of LB 203. AM 334 amends 81-1502, the definitions portion of the Environmental Protection Act, subsection (26), which defines "solid waste". New language adds that solid waste does not include slag, a product that is the result of the steel manufacturing process and is managed as an item of value in a controlled manner and not as a discarded material.

Tom Carlson, Chairperson