ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB686

Hearing Date: Thursday January 30, 2014 Committee On: **Natural Resources** Introducer: Christensen One Liner: Change a certification date relating to nonirrigated acres **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:** Advanced to General File with amendment(s) **Vote Results:** Aye: 8 Senators Brasch, Carlson, Haar, Johnson, Kolowski, Schilz, Smith, Dubas Nay: Absent: **Present Not Voting: Proponents:** Representing: Senator Mark Christensen Introducer **Opponents:** Representing: James Meismer Nebraska Association of Resources Districts; Twin Platte Natural Resources District Neutral: Representing: Summary of purpose and/or changes: LB 686 would amend 2-3226.05, which authorizes the use of the occupation tax for natural resources districts with integrated management plans, by changing the date a record owner must certify the nonirrigated status of his or her acres to avoid being subject to the occupation tax from March 1st to June 1st of each year. **Explanation of amendments:** The committee amendment clarifies that certification of nonirrigated status, done by June 1st of a calendar year, means that the owner certifies that he or she will be nonirrigated for that entire calendar year.

Tom Carlson, Chairperson