ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB88

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 29, 2013

Committee On: Urban Affairs Introducer: McGill

One Liner: Change zoning provisions for cities of the primary class

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 6 Senators Coash, Karpisek, Krist, Lautenbaugh, McGill, Murante

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator Ashford

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator McGill Self

Fred Hoke City of Lincoln

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Currently cities of the primary class are not permitted to regulate or inspect anything beyond electrical permits on farmsteads that are within the three mile extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction (ETJ) surrounding the corporate limits of the city. A farmstead is defined in statute as property of twenty acres or more which produces one thousand dollars or more of farm products each year.

Section one of this bill amends 15-905 to remove the farmstead exception which would allow a city of the primary class to issue permits and inspect for all of the same items on farmsteads in the ETJ that the city currently issues permits and inspects for inside of the city boundaries, and on property less than 20 acres within the ETJ.

Explanation of amendments:

The amendment replaces the original bill. It retains the farmstead exception but changes the statutory language to allow the city council of a city of the primary class to decide whether buildings, dwellings, and other structures located on the farmsteads and used as residences will be subject to the city's permit requirements. The amendment also retains the definition of farmstead that had been stricken in the original bill.

Amanda McGill, Chairperson