ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB85

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 27, 2015

Committee On: Agriculture Introducer: Davis

One Liner: To increase the maximum brand inspection fee amount that may be established by the Nebraska

Brand Committee

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Chambers, Harr, Johnson, Kolterman, Larson, Riepe, Schilz

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting: 1 Senator Bloomfield

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Al Davis Introducer

Jessica Kolterman Nebraska Farm Bureau

Chris Abbott Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska

Joe PongratzNebraska Brand CommitteeShawn HarveyNebraska Brand CommitteeJohn HansenNebraska Farmers Union

Jim Pappas Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska

Mark Blackford

Jerry Kuenning Nebraska Brand Committee

Laura Field Nebraska Cattlemen

Opponents:Representing:Korby GilbertsonTyson Foods, Inc.

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Amends 54-1,108 of the Nebraska Brand Law to increase the maximum brand inspection fee that may be imposed by the Nebraska Brand Committee for inspections performed under that section. Currently, the statutory maximum fee is 75 cents per head. LB85 increases the maximum to \$1.25 per head.

Jerry Johnson, Chairperson