

# ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015

## COMMITTEE STATEMENT

### LB95

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**Hearing Date:** Tuesday January 20, 2015  
**Committee On:** Transportation and Telecommunications  
**Introducer:** Smith  
**One Liner:** Provide for operation and regulation of electric-powered bicycles

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 7 Senators Brasch, Davis, Friesen, Garrett, Murante, Seiler, Smith  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:** 1 Senator McCoy  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Proponents:**

Senator Jim Smith  
Bill Moore  
Peggy Adair  
Barbara Fraser  
Kenneth Winston  
David Cary  
Jim Thompson  
John Winkler  
Julie Harris

**Representing:**

Introducer  
EVWorld.com  
Self  
Lincoln Pedestrian/Bicycle Advisory Committee  
Nebraska Sierra Club  
Lincoln-Lancaster County Planning Department  
Papio Missouri River NRD  
Nebraska Association of Resource Districts  
Live Well Omaha

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

The bill amends provisions of law related to bicycles.

Section 10 of the bill amends section 60-611, the definition of the term "bicycle". Bicycle is currently defined as: "every device propelled solely by human power, upon which any person may ride, having two tandem wheels either of which is more than fourteen inches in diameter".

The definition of bicycle is amended and expanded to include devices with 2 or 3 wheels, operative pedals and an electric motor not exceeding 750 watts producing no more than one horsepower which is able to propel the bicycle at no more than 20 miles per hour.

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