

One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB575

Chairperson: Senator John Murante

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: February 05, 2015

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Legislative Bill 575 provides for 9 changes to election law, including the following:

1. Clarifies vacancies for all offices must be filled within 45 days.
2. Replaces “a majority” with “one-half or more” for vacancies that trigger special election.
3. Replaces “ten days” prior to election with “second Friday” as deadline for write in affidavits.
4. Allows early voting requests to be submitted via e-mail
5. Requires voter history to be completed within 30 days rather than 60 after election.
6. Removes outdated language regarding county commissioners.
7. Close potential for fusion candidates.
8. Removes primary election information from Early Voter return envelopes.
9. Adds language allowing the Nebraska Secretary of State to designate a meeting location within the State Capitol for the State Canvassing Board meetings.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John Murante