## ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2017 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB483

Hearing Date: Tuesday February 21, 2017

**Committee On:** Transportation and Telecommunications

Introducer: Hilgers

One Liner: Provide a rules of procedure exemption for the Public Service Commission

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Bostelman, Briese, Friesen, Geist, Hilgers, Hughes, Murante,

Smith

Nay:

Absent:

**Present Not Voting:** 

**Verbal Testimony:** 

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Mike Hilgers District 21

Loel Brooks Commission Bar

Tim Schram Nebraska Public Service Commission

Andy Pollock NE Telecommunications Assn; Rural Telecom Coalition

of NE; Northwestern Energy; NE Transportation Assn

Jill Becker Black Hills Energy

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 483 would propose to amend section 75-110. This section provides that the Nebraska Public Service Commission (NPSC) shall adopt and promulgate the rules and regulations for the governance of its proceedings, including rules of procedure for notice and hearing.

Section 75-110 is amended by creating a new subsection 2 which provides that for purposes of granting or denying a petition for intervention, the NPSC shall be exempt from the requirements of section 84-912.02. Section 84-912.02 is codified as a part of the Nebraska Administrative Procedures Act.

LB 483 contains the emergency clause.

Curt Friesen, Chairperson