## ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2018 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB742

**Hearing Date:** Tuesday January 23, 2018

Committee On: Banking, Commerce and Insurance

Introducer: Lindstrom

One Liner: Change provisions relating to noncompete agreements under the Franchise Practices Act

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

Advanced to General File

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 7 Senators Baker, Brewer, Kolterman, Lindstrom, McCollister,

Schumacher, Williams

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting: 1 Senator Harr

**Verbal Testimony:** 

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Brett Lindstrom Introducer

Jim Otto NE Retail Federation/NE Restaurant Assn.

Matt Boever State Chamber/Greater Omaha Chamber/International

Franchise Assn.

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill would amend section 87-404 of the Franchise Practices Act to clarify that provisions regarding reformation and enforcement by a judge or arbitrator of an unreasonable noncompete agreement apply to a noncompete agreement entered into by a franchisor headquartered in the state of Nebraska, notwithstanding section 87-403 of the Franchise Practices Act. Section 87-403 provides that, among other things, the act applies only to a franchise the performance of which contemplates or requires the franchisee to establish or maintain a place of business within the state of Nebraska.

The bill carries the emergency clause.

Brett Lindstrom, Chairperson