ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2019 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB360

Hearing Date: Monday March 18, 2019
Committee On: Business and Labor

Introducer: Hansen, M.

One Liner: Provide for settlement of claims of nonresident alien dependents under the Nebraska Workers'

Compensation Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 6 Senators Crawford, Halloran, Hansen, B., Hansen, M., Lathrop, Slama

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator Chambers

Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:
Matt Hansen District 26 Senator

Dan Tayer Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys

Bob Hallstrom National Federation of Independent Business;

Nebraskans For Equity & Fairness

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 360 provides a nonresident alien dependent with the ability to file with the Workers' Compensation Court a power of attorney designating a suitable person residing in the state to act as attorney in-fact in proceedings under the Workers' Compensation Act.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 976 provides further guidance to the Court in appointing a person to act as attorney in fact. The court should consider among other things whether a consular officer's jurisdiction includes Nebraska, and the responsiveness of the consular officer to attempts made by an attorney representing the employee to engage such consular officer in the proceedings.

Matt Hansen, M., Chairperson