ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2019 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB660

Hearing Date: Tuesday February 05, 2019 **Committee On:** Agriculture Introducer: **Brewer** One Liner: Change provisions relating to the executive director and chief investigator of the Nebraska Brand Committee **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:** Advanced to General File **Vote Results:** Aye: 6 Senators Blood, Brandt, Halloran, Hansen, B., Lathrop, Moser Nay: Absent: 2 Senators Chambers, Slama **Present Not Voting: Oral Testimony: Proponents:** Representing: Senator Tom Brewer self Dave Horton Nebraska Brand Committee John Widdowson Nebraska Brand Committee Mike Drinnin Nebraska Cattlemen **Opponents:** Representing: **Neutral:** Representing: Summary of purpose and/or changes: LB 660 amends section 54-192 of the Nebraska Brand Act by removing statutory prescription in subsection (2) that the executive director assumes the titles of chief investigator and chief inspector, and eliminates that the executive director have or obtain law enforcement credentials necessary to assume assignment of an investigator position. LB 660 further inserts a new subsection (3) which directs the Brand Committee to create and employ the position of chief investigator and describes the duties and qualifications for the position.

Steve Halloran, Chairperson