

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB295

Hearing Date: Monday February 08, 2021
Committee On: General Affairs
Introducer: Wishart
One Liner: Repeal prohibition on sale of alcoholic liquor to a person within a motor vehicle

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:
Aye: 6 Senators Arch, Brandt, Briese, Brewer, Cavanaugh, J., Wayne
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting: 2 Senators Lowe, Groene

Oral Testimony:

Proponents: Senator Anna Wishart Mark Whitehead Justin Brady Vanessa Silke Joe Kohout	Representing: Introducer Nebraska Petroleum Marketers and Convenience Stores Nebraska Liquor Wholesalers Craft Brewers Guild Associated Beverage Distributors of Nebraska
Opponents:	Representing:
Neutral: Hobert Rupe	Representing: Executive Director, Nebraska Liquor Control Commission

Submitted Written Testimony:

Proponents:	Representing:
Opponents: Chris Wagner	Representing: Project Extra Mile
Neutral:	Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 295 proposes to strike 53-178.01. This section currently prohibits the sale of alcohol in the original container to those in motor vehicles. This section of statute was a part of Executive Order 20-06. Repealing this statute in its entirety would make it permanent for retail license holders to sell beer and other alcohol in its original package to someone in their vehicle. Proponents of the bill also discussed the possibility of convenience stores with drive-thru windows.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 328 would not repeal this section of statute. Instead, it proposes that the holder of a retail license to sell alcoholic liquor, including beer, for consumption off the premises be required to obtain a motor vehicle endorsement on their retail license, using either a drive-thru window or curbside pickup. The application for the endorsement would cost \$50.00 and would be renewable annually at the time of the annual renewal of the original liquor license issued.

Tom Briese, Chairperson