



January 30, 2017

The Honorable Curt Friesen
Transportation and Telecommunications Committee of the Nebraska Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Chairman Friesen:

Subject: Oppose LB 55

State statute requires Nebraska rural landowners to mow roadsides adjacent to their property. If a landowner does not meet this requirement, a complaint may be filed with the county, and the county has the authority to mow the roadsides. The county may then recoup the cost of mowing from the landowner. Landowners derive no income from roadsides and are required to mow at their own expense.

NeCGA members believe §39-1811 (1) that requires landowners to mow twice each year is burdensome and excessive. Adding another required mowing increases the time and financial burden on Nebraska landowners. No benefit will be gained by requiring a third mowing.

NeCGA members strongly request that the committee Indefinitely Postpone LB 55.

Thank you.