

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2024
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB1092

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 21, 2024
Committee On: Judiciary
Introducer: Murman
One Liner: Adopt the Online Age Verification Liability Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Bosn, DeBoer, DeKay, Holdcroft, Ibach, Wayne
Nay:	1	Senator Blood
Absent:		
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator McKinney

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Dave Murman
Joseph Kohm
Michael Toscano
Josephine (Vincent) Litwinowicz
Nate Grasz
Marion Miner
Caroline Epp
Marilyn Asher
Leonard Stohlmann

Representing:

Opening Presenter
Family Policy Alliance
Institute for Family Studies
Higher Power Church
Nebraska Family Alliance
Nebraska Catholic Conference
Self
Nebraska for Founders Values
Self

Opponents:

Korby Gilbertson
Jane Seu

Representing:

Media of Nebraska, Inc.
American Civil Liberties Union of Nebraska

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Section 1: Creates the Online Age Verification Liability Act.

Section 2: Defines the following terms: commercial entity, digitized identification card, distribute, internet utility, material harmful to minors, minor, news-gathering organization, publish, reasonable age verification method, substantial portion, and transactional data.

Section 3: Prohibits commercial entities from publishing or distributing material harmful to minors on a website unless it verifies the age of every individual attempting to access the material. Such entities are prohibited from retaining the



identifying information after access has been granted to the material.

Section 4: Allows for lawsuits against commercial entities that violate this Act. Allows for “appropriate relief” and damages.

Section 5: This Act does not apply to news-gathering organizations. An Internet utility does not violate this Act solely by providing internet connection.

Explanation of amendments:

AM2585 changes the definitions of “material harmful to minors” and “reasonable age

Justin Wayne, Chairperson

