

# Disability Rights Nebraska

Protection and Advocacy for People with Disabilities

Dear Senators:

Disability Rights Nebraska is the designated Protection and Advocacy organization for people with disabilities in Nebraska and has taken a neutral position on LB 83.

We would like to remind this body and keep present in the minds of others responsible for implementing, conducting, or arranging meetings subject to LB 83, the need to ensure that the meetings are accessible for people with disabilities. Civic participation cannot be limited to those who do not have disabilities and meetings under LB 83 should be truly “open”. We have no reason to believe that LB 83 compromises the accessibility of open meetings and we do not wish to frustrate or hold up the bill’s progress. We only want to raise awareness of the importance of accessible meetings to persons with disabilities in Nebraska, especially in the context of public, open meetings.

Please contact me if you have any questions or would like further information.

Sincerely,

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