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Senator John Wightman
District 36
Executive Board of the Legislative Council
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

RE: Nonprofit Association of the Midlands supports LB 613

Dear Senator Wightman:

The Nonprofit Association of the Midlands offers its support for LB 613 that would create a commission tasked with looking at our current state tax system and developing recommendations on how to change the system to meet our state's current needs.

Tax reform is needed in Nebraska, but should not be rushed. An examination of the current system and how it impacts all Nebraska businesses, both private and nonprofit, is an important component of any comprehensive solution. We encourage the Executive Board of the Legislative Council to move this bill forward and take a full-picture approach in any examination of tax revenues and their relationship to expenditures that benefit our citizens.

Nonprofits belong in the debate about Nebraska's future. We not only work each day to improve Nebraskans' quality of life, we're also a major economic engine in our state, employing one in eleven Nebraska workers.

The Nonprofit Association of the Midlands is a statewide membership organization that represents nonprofit organizations of every type. We are a member of the National Council of Nonprofits with established internal processes to determine our public policy agenda which is approved by our board of directors. We have been and will continue to help educate nonprofits, board members and donors on how this bill would impact our community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Anne Hindery
Chief Executive Officer