

LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA  
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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 508**

Introduced by Hilgers, 21.

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to county civil service systems; to amend
- 2 sections 23-2503 and 23-2518, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 3 Supplement, 2016; to change the population threshold for the
- 4 applicability of certain county civil service systems; and to repeal
- 5 the original sections.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 23-2503, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,  
2 2016, is amended to read:

3 23-2503 In any county having a population of four ~~three~~ hundred  
4 thousand inhabitants or more as determined by the most recent federal  
5 decennial census, there shall be a Civil Service Commission which shall  
6 be formed as provided in sections 23-2501 to 23-2516. A county shall  
7 comply with this section within six months after a determination that the  
8 population has reached four ~~three~~ hundred thousand inhabitants or more as  
9 determined by the most recent federal decennial census.

10 Sec. 2. Section 23-2518, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,  
11 2016, is amended to read:

12 23-2518 For purposes of the County Civil Service Act:

13 (1) Appointing authority means elected officials and appointed  
14 department directors authorized to make appointments in the county  
15 service;

16 (2) Board of county commissioners means the board of commissioners  
17 of any county with a population of one hundred fifty thousand or more but  
18 less than four ~~to three~~ hundred thousand inhabitants as determined by the  
19 most recent federal decennial census;

20 (3) Classified service means the positions in the county service to  
21 which the act applies;

22 (4) County personnel officer means the employee designated by the  
23 board of county commissioners to administer the act;

24 (5) Department means a functional unit of the county government  
25 headed by an elected official or established by the board of county  
26 commissioners;

27 (6) Deputy means an individual who serves as the first assistant to  
28 and at the pleasure of an elected official;

29 (7) Elected official means an officer elected by the popular vote of  
30 the people and known as the county attorney, public defender, county  
31 sheriff, county treasurer, clerk of the district court, register of

1 deeds, county clerk, county assessor, and county surveyor;

2 (8) Internal Revenue Code means the Internal Revenue Code as defined  
3 in section 49-801.01;

4 (9) Political subdivision means a village, city of the second class,  
5 city of the first class, city of the primary class, city of the  
6 metropolitan class, county, school district, public power district, or  
7 any other unit of local government including entities created pursuant to  
8 the Interlocal Cooperation Act or the Joint Public Agency Act. Political  
9 subdivision does not include a contractor with the county;

10 (10) State means the State of Nebraska;

11 (11) Straight-time rate of pay means the rate of pay in effect on  
12 the date of transfer of employees stated in the resolution by the county  
13 board requesting the transfer; and

14 (12) Transferred employee means an employee of the state or a  
15 political subdivision transferred to the county pursuant to a request for  
16 such transfer made by the county under section 23-2518.01.

17 Sec. 3. Original sections 23-2503 and 23-2518, Revised Statutes  
18 Cumulative Supplement, 2016, are repealed.