would end popular election for two positions

By BRIAN CARLSON Staff Reporter

A legislative proposal to change the selection process for two state executive branch positions was held in committee last week.

LR11CA, sponsored by Sen. the election by popular vote of the trea-

Legislature

and subject to legislative approval.

Warner said the bill was developed by the Constitutional Review Commis-

One of the goals of the commis- posal.

do that," Warner said.

The Government, Military and counts. The positions would be filled Veterans Affairs Committee heard tesby appointment made by the governor timony Wednesday but delayed taking action on the bill until further argu- need for the popular election of offi- a better advocate for the state's interments were heard.

Robert Sittig, a University of Nesion, which was created to search for braska-Lincoln political science pro-Jerome Warner of Waverly, would end ways to improve the state constitution. fessor, testified in support of the pro-

He said an increasing number of ciently well informed about his duties guaranteed interest payments.

tion ballots had swamped voters and by their vote. caused frustration for those not fully informed on smaller issues.

cials to posts involving generally non- ests. He said the fact that he reprepartisan duties such as record-keep- sented citizens, rather than the state

governor, and this bill is designed to candidates and referendums on elec- and deserved the right to fill the post

Heineman also said his backing by Bill proponents also questioned the the people of Nebraska had made him government, enabled him to more ef-But State Treasurer Dave fectively monitor the state's invest-Heineman said citizens were suffi- ments to make sure it received all its





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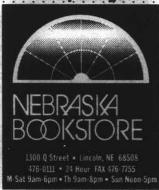
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