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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB511

Chairperson: Senator Kate Sullivan

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: March 19, 2013

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 511 would provide funds from the Education Innovation Fund to go to the Educational Technology Center for fiscal years 2016-17 through fiscal year 2019-20. The Educational Technology Center would create a plan with various partners for use of such funds. Partners would include the Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council, the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission, Network Nebraska, and representatives from the school districts. The plan would include the development of an educational content or learning object repository system, learning management system deployment or enhancement, professional development and educational content development, and directory services to allow common access to such systems. Systems would be hosted on Network Nebraska and made available to Network Nebraska participants.

At least one-half of the funds in the Education Innovation Fund would be reserved for a local technology grant to enhance school district technology adoption and integration. The State Department of Education would be charged with developing the grants.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Jim Scheer