

One Hundred Third Legislature - Second Session - 2014

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB682

Chairperson: Senator Kate Sullivan

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: January 28, 2014

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

LB 682 would require all school districts with less than 650 students to join at least three other school districts governed by this act to create an alliance with no less than 1300 students. Every school alliance would then agree to a uniform bell and calendar schedule. LB 682 will enable small school districts to innovate using modern technology to expand course offerings and educational opportunities for students. Currently, variations in schedules prevent many districts from such collaboration. As a result, students in rural schools are often not afforded the same educational opportunities as their peers.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Jim Scheer