



**Ninety-Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2005**  
**Committee Statement**  
**LB 616**

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**Hearing Date:** January 31, 2005  
**Committee On:** Education

**Introducer(s):** (Howard, Cornett, Pahls, Synowiecki)  
**Title:** Change reimbursement provisions under the Special Education Act

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**Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File  
Advanced to General File with Amendments  
X Indefinitely Postponed

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**Vote Results:**

7	Yes	Senators Bourne, Howard, Kopplin, McDonald, Raikes, Schrock, and Stuhr
0	No	
0	Present, not voting	
1	Absent	Senator Byars

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**Proponents:**

Senator Gwen Howard  
Julia K. Allen  
D'Anne Welch  
Korby M. Gilbertson  
Duane Obermier

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Omaha Public Schools  
Guardian for Deirdre Welch  
Girls and Boys Town  
Nebraska State Education Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

Brian L. Halstead

**Representing:**

Nebraska Department of Education

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

Legislative Bill 616 would amend § 79-1142 by adding a statement that special education reimbursement is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of the type of setting in which children are served, whether in regular classrooms, special classes, or separate schools.

**Explanation of amendments, if any:**

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**Senator Ron Raikes, Chairperson**

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