

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB527

Chairperson: Senator Dave Murman

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: March 21, 2023

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

LB527 establishes legislative intent to appropriate twelve million dollars from the General Fund to the State Department of Education to reimburse school districts and Educational Service Units (ESUs) for allowable mental health expenditures. To qualify, school districts or ESUs must designate an employee of the school district or ESU as a community-based mental health resource liaison and provide appropriate training. The intent of LB527 is to provide additional resources to address the mental health needs of students.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John Fredrickson