ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB227

Hearing Date: Monday March 02, 2015

Committee On: Education Introducer: Hansen

One Liner: Change provisions relating to educational bridge programs

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Baker, Cook, Groene, Kolowski, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks,

Schnoor, Sullivan

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Matt Hansen Introducer

James GoddardNebraska AppleseedMegan SharpeGoodwill IndustriesBillie BrooksGoodwill Industries

Teresa Piccolo Mid-Plains Community College

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LeeAnn Pancharoen Southeast Community College Pathways to College

self

Lois Price Pathway to Bridges

Dominique Richards

Gwendolen Hines Unitarian Church of Lincoln

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 227 would remove the sunset provision for the bridge programs provided for under 79-1191. Currently the bridge program is set to expire at the end of the 2015 fiscal year. LB 227 would also transfer \$200,000 from the Education Innovation Fund for three years in support of the program provided under this act

LB 227 would also require the Department of Education to file an annual report electronically, regarding the bridge program to the Legislature.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 903 removes the \$200,000 appropriation of Education Innovation Funds that was to be made in support of the Bridge Program.

Kate Sullivan, Chairperson