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LEGISLATIVE BILL 526

Introduced by Sullivan, 41.

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Committee: Education

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-101, Reissue
- 2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define a term; and to repeal the
- 3 original section.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 79-101, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 79-101 For purposes of Chapter 79:
- 4 (1) School district means the territory under the jurisdiction of a
- 5 single school board authorized by Chapter 79;
- 6 (2) School means a school under the jurisdiction of a school board
- 7 authorized by Chapter 79;
- 8 (3) Legal voter means a registered voter as defined in section
- 9 32-115 who is domiciled in a precinct or ward in which he or she is
- 10 registered to vote and which precinct or ward lies in whole or in part
- 11 within the boundaries of a school district for which the registered voter
- 12 chooses to exercise his or her right to vote at a school district
- 13 election or at an annual or special meeting of a Class I school district;
- 14 (4) Prekindergarten programs means all early childhood programs
- 15 provided for children who have not reached the age of five by the date
- 16 provided in section 79-214 for kindergarten entrance;
- 17 (5) Elementary grades means grades kindergarten through eight,
- 18 inclusive;
- 19 (6) High school grades means all grades above the eighth grade;
- 20 (7) School year means (a) for elementary grades other than
- 21 kindergarten, the time equivalent to at least one thousand thirty-two
- 22 instructional hours and (b) for high school grades, the time equivalent
- 23 to at least one thousand eighty instructional hours;
- 24 (8) Instructional hour means a period of time, at least sixty
- 25 minutes, which is actually used for the instruction of students;
- 26 (9) Teacher means any certified employee who is regularly employed
- 27 for the instruction of pupils in the public schools;
- 28 (10) Administrator means any certified employee such as
- 29 superintendent, assistant superintendent, principal, assistant principal,
- 30 school nurse, or other supervisory or administrative personnel who do not
- 31 have as a primary duty the instruction of pupils in the public schools;

- 1 (11) School board means the governing body of any school district.
- 2 Board of education has the same meaning as school board;
- 3 (12) Teach means and includes, but is not limited to, the following
- 4 responsibilities: (a) The organization and management of the classroom or
- 5 the physical area in which the learning experiences of pupils take place;
- 6 (b) the assessment and diagnosis of the individual educational needs of
- 7 the pupils; (c) the planning, selecting, organizing, prescribing, and
- 8 directing of the learning experiences of pupils; (d) the planning of
- 9 teaching strategies and the selection of available materials and
- 10 equipment to be used; and (e) the evaluation and reporting of student
- 11 progress;
- 12 (13) Permanent school fund means the fund described in section
- 13 79-1035.01;
- 14 (14) Temporary school fund means the fund described in section
- 15 79-1035.02;—and
- 16 (15) School lands means the lands described in section 79-1035.03.
- 17 Educational lands has the same meaning as school lands; and -
- 18 (16) Certificate, certificated, or certified, when referring to an
- 19 individual holding a certificate to teach, administer, or provide special
- 20 <u>services</u>, also includes an individual who holds a permit issued by the
- 21 Commissioner of Education pursuant to sections 79-806 through 79-815.
- 22 The State Board of Education may adopt and promulgate rules and
- 23 regulations to define school day and other appropriate units of the
- 24 school calendar.
- 25 Sec. 2. Original section 79-101, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 26 Nebraska, is repealed.