

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB92

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 26, 2021
Committee On: Education
Introducer: Clements
One Liner: Change residency requirements for college tuition purposes for students from schools that elect not to meet accreditation or approval requirements

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Day, Linehan, McKinney, Murman, Pansing Brooks, Sanders, Walz
Nay:		
Absent:		
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator Morfeld

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Robert Clements
David Lostroh
Cynthia Hayes

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Christian Home Educators Association
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Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 92 amends subsection (9)(a) and (i) of 85-502 adding denominational or parochial standardizing language in statute. In addition subsection (9)(a)(i) and (ii) adds additional clarification language to refer to a diploma of high school equivalency.

In Nebraska we do not have a statute referring to home schools but instead refer to them as exempt schools as per 79-1601 subsections (2) through (6). When a parent files and receives exempt status they are electing not to have their child attend a school that meets state approval and accreditation requirements allowing them to be exempt from mandatory school attendance law in section 79-201.

The addition of language adding students who completes a program of instruction at a high-school in this state that elects not to meet accreditation or approval requirements pursuant to section 79-1601 subsections (2) to (6) would further clarify that an exempt student would be eligible for in-state tuition.

The change in 85-607 would prohibit a publicly funded college or university in Nebraska from discriminating in any manner

against any student who was educated at an exempt school.

Lynne Walz, Chairperson