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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Greg Adams

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: February 14, 2011

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

To provide forgivable loans to: (1) encourage the recruitment of high school graduates to the teaching profession and to major in a shortage area; (2) to encourage certificated teachers to earn a Masters Degree in a shortage area and to support their subject knowledge and pedagogy mastery. Passage of LB403 would increase the amount of lottery proceeds that flow from the Education Innovation Fund to the Excellence in Teaching Act from \$1.0 million to \$1.5 million for fiscal years 2011-12 through 2015-16.

Principal Introducer:	
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	Senator Brenda Council