

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB332

Hearing Date: Monday March 04, 2013
Committee On: Education
Introducer: Harms
One Liner: Change application provisions relating to the Access College Early Scholarship Program

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Avery, Cook, Davis, Haar, Kolowski, Scheer, Seiler, Sullivan
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Proponents:

Senator John Harms
Marshall Hill

Representing:

Introducer
Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 332 would modify administrative provisions for the Access College Early Scholarship Program, which provides financial assistance to low-income students for postsecondary courses taken while still enrolled in high school.

Section 85-2105 would be amended to allow an official designated by the school to receive applications from students, verify student eligibility, forward applications to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, and receive notification of estimated award amounts from the Commission. Currently, the statute requires that those functions be performed by the guidance counselor. Guidance counselors would continue to be allowed to perform those functions along with other officials designated by the schools.

Kate Sullivan, Chairperson