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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Kate Sullivan

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: February 10, 2014

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

Legislative Bill 1077 is being introduced to generate discussion on issues surrounding the support of students as they prepare to enter postsecondary education or careers and as they pursue postsecondary education with the hope of improving the success of our citizens.

The proposal would create the Shared Responsibility for Access and Success Act. The act would be administered jointly by the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education and the State Department of Education to provide funding beginning July 1, 2016 for:

- 1. Postsecondary education students pursuant to a Postsecondary Program;
- 2. Dual enrollment course tuition and mandatory fees under an Early College Experience Program;
- 3. College entrance exams pursuant to a College Entrance Program;
- 4. College placement exams and academic remediation pursuant to a College Ready Program; and
- 5. Trade certifications pursuant to a Career Ready Program.

The Postsecondary Program would replace the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act and the Early College Experience Program would replace the Access College Early Scholarship Program beginning July 1, 2016.

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