One Hundred Third Legislature - First Session - 2013

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB190

Chairperson: Senator Heath Mello

Committee: Appropriations

Date of Hearing: March 4, 2013

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

LB 190 appropriates \$10,000,000 from the General Fund for the fiscal year FY2013-14 and \$10,000,000 from the General Fund for the fiscal year FY2014-15 to the Early Childhood Education Endowment Cash Fund. The purpose of this legislation is to expand high quality early childhood services to more infants and toddlers across Nebraska who are at risk of failing in school. The dollars invested by the state are matched at the local level and involve a strong partnership approach between the State Department of Education, Health and Human Service, the private sector and local community partners.

LB190 invests early at the front end of the system to achieve the greatest return on taxpayers investment and leverages limited dollars with the private sector and local communities.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John Harms