

One Hundred Third Legislature - Second Session - 2014

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB789

Chairperson: Senator Kate Sullivan

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing:

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

LB 789 requires UNL College of Education and Human Sciences to gather information necessary to update the current administrative guidelines on training, supervising, and evaluating paraeducators in the classroom. These guidelines assist in administering paraeducator programs in Nebraska schools.

This bill provides a grant to Project PARA to develop and implement a state-wide survey of the role of paraeducators in Nebraska's classrooms. Project PARA will then collaborate with the Nebraska Department of Education to develop updated administrative guidelines for paraeducators.

LB 789 appropriates \$236,500 from the Education Innovation Fund to the Department for purposes of funding the grant.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Kate Bolz