

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 285**

Introduced by Kolowski, 31.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study class size in Nebraska's public schools. The study shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) An analysis of data compiled by the State Department of Education relating to teachers and students assigned to classrooms across the state;

(2) The identification of specific issues leading to overcrowded classrooms;

(3) An examination of class size as it relates to students dealing with issues of poverty, special needs, English language deficiencies, and other needs;

(4) A review of research regarding class size as a factor impacting student achievement;

(5) The best practices in Nebraska and other states to reduce class size; and

(6) Any legislation needed to incentivize best class size practices.

In order to carry out the purposes of this resolution, the committee shall consider input of interested persons including teachers, administrators, school board members, the State Department of Education, and experts on effective education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Education Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.