One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB705

Chairperson: Senator Dave Murman

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: February 21, 2023

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

LB 705 would change statutes relating to lottery fund distribution, create funds, adopt the Behavioral Intervention Training and Teacher Support Act, establish a mental health training grant program, provide duties to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education and the Nebraska Department of Education, change provisions related to the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Fund, transfer and chance provisions of the Excellence in Teaching Act, adopt the Door to College Scholarship Act, repeal the Master Teacher Program Act, and appeal several sections.

If adopted as introduced, funds would be distributed as follows:

Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act: \$15,185,406, 62.00%

Community College Gap Assistance Program Fund: \$1,714,481, 7.00%

Door to College Scholarship: \$244,926, 1.00%

Career Readiness and Dual Credit \$489,852, 2.00%

Competitive Innovation Grant \$4,163,740, 17.00%

Mental Health Training: \$367,389, 1.50%

Behavioral Training Cash Fund: \$2,326,796, 9.50%

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Dave Murman