

**ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION -  
2008**

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**

**LB1079**

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**Hearing Date:** February 11, 2008

**Committee On:** Education

**Introducer(s):** (Raikes)

**Title:** Exclude a portion of legal expenses from the definition of general fund operating expenditures in the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Placed on General File with Amendments

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**Vote Results:**

6 Yes	Senators Adams, Ashford, Avery, Burling, Howard, Raikes
0 No	
1 Absent	Senator Johnson
1 Present, not voting	Senator Kopplin

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Ron Raikes

**Representing:**  
Introducer

**Opponents:**  
John A. Bonaiuto  
John Lindsay

**Representing:**  
Nebraska Association of School Boards  
Omaha Public Schools

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or change:**

Legislative Bill 1079 would amend § 79-1003 by excluding any legal expenses in excess of 0.15% of the formula need for the school fiscal year in which the expenses occurred from the definition of general fund operating expenditures for the purpose of calculating state aid to schools.

**Explanation of amendments, if any:**

The committee amendments would delay the change in the definition of the general fund operating expenditures until the 2009-10 school fiscal year.

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Senator Ron Raikes, Chairperson