

Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007 Committee Statement LB 490

Hearing Date: January 30, 2007 Committee On: Education

Introducer(s): (Harms, 48)

Title: Repeal the Seamless Delivery System Pilot Project

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Advanced to General File with Amendments

X Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

7 Yes Senators Adams, Avery, Burling, Howard, Johnson, Kopplin, and

Raikes

0 No

0 Present, not voting

1 Absent Senator Ashford

Proponents: Representing: Senator John Harms Introducer

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 490 would repeal the Seamless Delivery System Pilot Project by outright repealing sections 79-11,136 to 79-11,141. The Seamless Delivery Pilot Project was to be located at Western Nebraska Community College and Scottsbluff Schools to provide a seamless delivery system for educational continuity between secondary education, postsecondary education, and business. The four year project began with the 1997-98 school year and a report by the Department of Education and the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education was due on November 30, 2001.

The project was required to initiate a valid and reliable instructional program between community colleges and public high schools. Students in the project were to receive dual credits and for graduating students to possess a work-skill competency portfolio. The project also provided for the establishment of a multimedia development center at the high school, an

expansion of the community college's current operations, a distance learning system, a cable channel delivery system, video conferencing computer classroom, and acquisition of instructional equipment. The intended outcomes are stated as joint purchasing activities, common academic calendar scheduling, maximizing available resources, joint through-put advising on the student's program of study, increased student retention, and detailed program development guidelines for replication statewide.

Explanation of amendments, if any:	
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	Senator Ron Raikes, Chairperson