



**Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Committee Statement
LB 563**

Hearing Date: January 30, 2007
Committee On: Education

Introducer(s): (Adams, 24)
Title: Change provisions relating to learners with high ability

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

- Advanced to General File
 - Advanced to General File with Amendments
 - X Indefinitely Postponed
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Vote Results:

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

Proponents:

Senator Greg L. Adams
Mary Duffy
Janis McKenzie
Sharon Kryger
Tim Burke

Erica Heiden
Jason Glanzer
Dave Burchell
Erica Vannier

Representing:

Introducer
Nebraska Department of Education
Nebraska Association for the Gifted
Nebraska Association for the Gifted
Educational Service Unit #11 / Nebraska Association for the Gifted
Self
Self
Self
Self

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 563 would amend § 79-1108.02 by providing requirements for the approval of accelerated or differentiated curriculum programs. Approved programs would be required to include:

1. Alignment of assessment data to programming options in the areas of giftedness;
2. Structures by which the learners with high ability are served at the different school levels;
3. Support in differentiated instruction and acceleration methods;
4. Affective and guidance support systems;
5. Diverse content options provided for learners with high ability in their areas of strength;
6. The means by which articulation through grade twelve is planned and implemented;
7. Pre-collegiate and pre-advanced placement support;
8. Development and annual review conducted through the collaborative efforts of the teachers, other school personnel, parents, and the student;
9. Postsecondary options available to learners with high ability; and
10. Coordination or supervision of the program by personnel with at least six hours of coursework in gifted education.

Explanation of amendments, if any:

Senator Ron Raikes, Chairperson