ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB479

Monday February 02, 2009 **Hearing Date:** Committee On: Education Introducer: Rogert One Liner: Change enrollment provisions relating to early childhood education **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:** Indefinitely postponed **Vote Results:** Aye: 8 Senators Adams, Ashford, Avery, Cornett, Giese, Haar, Howard, Sullivan Nay: Absent: **Present Not Voting: Proponents:** Representing: Senator Kent Rogert Introducer Pender Public School Jason Dolliver **Opponents:** Representing: Neutral: Representing: Melody Hobson Nebraska Department of Education Mary Campbell Lincoln Public Schools Summary of purpose and/or changes: Legislative Bill 479 would amend section 79-1102.01 making a one year exception permanent, which would allow children who are of kindergarten age to enroll in an early childhood education program that is established by a school board or an educational service unit (ESU) if the program is not receiving a state grant or state funding through the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act (TEEOSA). Such children could not be enrolled in kindergarten or be of mandatory attendance age, and, with proposed changes, could not have been previously enrolled in an early childhood education program.

Greg Adams, Chairperson