

| Chairperson:     | Greg Adams        |
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| Committee:       | Education         |
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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

The purpose of LB 1082 is to address the funding formula for community colleges. First LB 1082 would set the amount each college gets for fiscal year 2009/2010 in statute. Then it provides a formula for distribution aid for 2010/2011 that shall be based on full time equivalent students and starting in 2011/2012 after the 2010 census data is available LB 1082 states the aid shall be distributed based on allocating 80% of the aid based on the population each community college is expected to serve, and divides the remaining 20% of state aid evenly among the community colleges as foundation aid.

LB 1082 also adjusts the role and mission of community colleges based on recent recommendations from the coordinating commission for postsecondary education, clarifies some reporting requirements and the role of state agencies as necessary, and strikes mandatory participation in an association.

Finally LB 1082 renames the act

**Principal Introducer:** 

**Senator Abbie Cornett**