



**One Hundred First Legislature - First Session - 2009**  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 73**

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**Chairperson:** Greg Adams  
**Committee:** Education  
**Date of Hearing:** January 20, 2009

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 73 would allow military families to enroll in school when they arrive—and accept their “hand carried” records until the official school records arrive. Provide military families the opportunity to be eligible and participate in athletics and extracurricular programs, even if they arrive in the middle of the school year. Allow children thirty days from the date of enrollment to obtain required immunizations. Allow children who have already started kindergarten or first grade in another school district to continue their schooling, regardless of their age. Provide for additional excused absences for a student whose parent is preparing or returning from deployment. Allow for power of attorney to be acceptable relative to the guardianship of a military child. Allow a student who has transferred in the middle of his senior year and unable to complete the graduation requirements here, to complete his schooling here and receive his high school diploma from his previous school

LB 73 would create a state council or use an existing body to provide for the coordination among its agencies of government, local education agencies and military installations concerning the state’s participation in, and compliance with, this compact and Interstate commission activities.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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