

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

LB 754 would adopt the Blind Persons Literacy Rights and Education Act. The bill seeks to increase the Braille literacy of blind and visually impaired children in Nebraska by: 1) establishing instruction in Braille as the default standard for blind and visually impaired children as part of their individualized education program (IEP), and 2) requiring training and certification in Braille for teachers employed by a school district, educational service unit (ESU), or other education agency for the instruction of blind and visually impaired children.

**Principal Introducer:** 

**Senator Robert Giese**