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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 966

Chairperson: Greg Adams
Committee: Education
Date of Hearing: February 16, 2010

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

LB 966 adopts the Classroom Educational Expenditure Act. The act requires school districts to expend a minimum amount of their resources on direct classroom instruction. Under the bill a school district is required to expend at least 65% of its total operating expenditures on direct classroom instruction within a three-year period.

Direct classroom instruction is defined in the act as the amount of funds expended on regular instructional programs, English language learners' instructional programs, poverty programs, early childhood education programs, and special education instructional programs, combined.

Any district not in compliance is not eligible for accreditation. The bill becomes operative September 1, 2013 and the initial three-year period includes the school fiscal year 2011-12 and 2012-13.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Rich Pahls