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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB313

Chairperson: Senator Greg Adams

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: February 08, 2011

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

It is the intent of the Tobacco-Free Schools Act to promote and protect the health and well-being of all students and staff of all public school districts in the state of Nebraska by prohibiting the use of tobacco products by students, staff, or visitors at any time on school property or at any off-campus school-sponsored event.

LB 313 requires school boards or boards of education to adopt appropriate policies and rules which prohibit tobacco use by students, staff, and visitors on school property and persons attending an off-campus school-sponsored event and which provide for enforcement and notice of such policies and rules.

In addition to penalties established by the school board or board of education, a student under 18 years of age who violates the Tobacco-Free Schools Act is subject to the penalties provided under 28-1418. Also in addition to the penalties established by the school board or board of education, any staff, volunteer, or visitor in violation of the Tobacco-Free Schools Act is subject to the penalties provided in 71-5733.

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