

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB143

Hearing Date: Tuesday March 12, 2013
Committee On: Education
Introducer: Bloomfield
One Liner: Authorize schools to adopt a child sexual abuse policy as prescribed

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Indefinitely postponed

Vote Results:

Aye:	5	Senators Cook, Haar, Kolowski, Seiler, Sullivan
Nay:	1	Senator Davis
Absent:	1	Senator Scheer
Present Not Voting:	1	Senator Avery

Proponents:

Senator Dave Bloomfield
Marla Fisher-Lempke

Representing:

Introducer
The Arc of Nebraska

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 143 would authorize schools to adopt policies on child sexual abuse. The State Department of Education would be required to develop a model child sexual abuse policy on or before July 1, 2014 to assist schools in developing such policies, if they choose to do so. Schools electing to adopt such a policy would be required to (i) publish the policy in any school handbook, manual, or similar publication that sets forth the rules, procedures, and other policies of the school, (ii) present the policy to students in the form of an age-appropriate educational program or school assembly, and (iii) provide child sexual abuse training to staff deemed appropriate by school administration.

Kate Sullivan, Chairperson