

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 211

Introduced by Kolowski, 31.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study and define the need for increased access to, and the costs of, quality expanded learning opportunities for K-12 children in Nebraska, focusing primarily on at-risk children. In conducting this study, the study committee shall consult with the Nebraska Children and Families Foundation, the Nebraska Association of School Boards, individual school districts, community learning centers, community-based organizations, the State Department of Education, teachers, parents, children, and any other interested organization or individual. This study shall include, but not be limited to, an assessment of the following:

- (1) The definition of quality expanded learning opportunities;
- (2) The effectiveness of expanded learning opportunities on student achievement;
- (3) The definition and number of at-risk students in Nebraska;
- (4) The use of data to identify at-risk students at every grade level;
- (5) Best practices by current expanded learning opportunity programs both in Nebraska and other states;
- (6) An estimate of the costs for Nebraska to adopt these best practices statewide;

(7) An examination of funding sources to maintain and support a statewide expansion of expanded learning opportunities; and

(8) Any other issues related to expanded learning opportunities that the study committee deems important.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Appropriations Committee and Education Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct a joint interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committees shall upon the conclusion of their study make a report of their findings, together with their recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.