

**One Hundred Third Legislature - First Session - 2013**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB143**

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**Chairperson: Senator Kate Sullivan**

**Committee: Education**

**Date of Hearing: March 12, 2013**

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

LB 143 would require the State Department of Education to develop a model child sexual abuse policy for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade, by July 1, 2014, to assist schools in developing their own sexual abuse policies should they choose to do so but it does not require a school to adopt a policy.

A school that adopts a child sexual abuse policy would be required to:

- 1) Publish the policy in any school handbook, manual or similar publication;
- 2) Present the policy to the students in the form of an age-appropriate educational program or school assembly; and
- 3) Provide child sexual abuse training to staff that is deemed appropriate by the school administration.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Dave Bloomfield**