

**ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB36**

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**Hearing Date:** Tuesday March 03, 2015  
**Committee On:** Education  
**Introducer:** Bolz  
**One Liner:** Adopt the Community College Gap Assistance Program Act

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Indefinitely postponed

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Sullivan, Pansing Brooks, Morfeld, Kolowski, Groene, Cook, Baker
<b>Nay:</b>	1	Senator Schnoor
<b>Absent:</b>		
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Kate Bolz  
Tracy Kruse  
Charlie Radatz  
  
Dwayne Probyn  
  
Dennis Baack  
  
Mike Baumgartner  
Joan Anderson  
Angela Morales  
Rebecca Cromer

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Northeast Community College  
Falls City Economic Development and Growth Enterprise  
Nebraska Advanced Manufacturing Coalition and Dream It Do It Foundation  
Nebraska Community College Association and the Nebraska State Chamber  
Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education  
Lancaster County Medical Society  
self  
Falls City Economic Development and Growth Enterprise

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 36 creates the Gap Tuition Assistance Program to provide funding to community colleges to award community college gap assistance to students in eligible non-credit accumulating programs. The Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education (CCPE) will administer the program and create the application, rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of this act. LB 36 calls for \$1.5 million be provided for the issuance of assistance funds.

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Kate Sullivan, Chairperson