ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2017 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LR98

Hearing Date: Wednesday May 17, 2017

Committee On: Education **Introducer:** Wayne

One Liner: Support the call to action of the My Brother's Keeper Initiative and Community Challenge to address

opportunity gaps faced by boys and young men of color nationwide

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Report to the Legislature for further consideration

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Ebke, Erdman, Groene, Kolowski, Linehan, Pansing Brooks,

Walz, Morfeld

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents: Representing: Senator Justin Wayne Introducer

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Resolution 98 states that The Nebraska Legislature supports the call to action by the My Brother's Keeper Initiative and Community Challenge. This initiative, begun in 2014, is a call to action and effort to convene local leaders to work together towards the goal of improving life outcomes for young people in their communities.

The Initiative further identifies milestones that state that all school age children should enter school being prepared to learn, all children should be able to read at grade level by third grade, all high school graduates should have the skills to successfully attend post-secondary education, all persons should receive quality education or training and should be able to find sustainable employment, and all children should be safe from violence, and imprisoned persons should receive the help needed for a second chance.

Mike Groene, Chairperson