

NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION  
LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 55

Introduced by Byars, 30

WHEREAS, school bullying is a major problem in the United States and Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, almost thirty percent of the youth in the United States are estimated to be involved in bullying, either as a bully or as a victim; and

WHEREAS, an estimated one hundred sixty thousand students in kindergarten through twelfth grade miss school every day due to a fear of being bullied; and

WHEREAS, bullying can take many forms, including verbal and physical, and can happen in many places on and off school grounds; and

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Unicameral is addressing bullying in Nebraska through its consideration of a legislative bill requiring schools to adopt anti-bullying policies; and

WHEREAS, it is vitally important for Nebraska students, teachers, and school administrators to be aware of bullying, and to discuss the problem as a school community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the week of September 12-16, 2005, be designated as Nebraska School Bullying Awareness Week, with the intention that

the issue of bullying and its prevention be discussed in Nebraska schools during that time.

2. That the Clerk of the Legislature send a copy of this resolution to Trent Steele and his students who are high ability learners in the Beatrice Middle School.