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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB589

Chairperson: Senator Dave Murman

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: February 11, 2025

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

LB 589 requires school districts to provide four days of professional leave per year for special education staff, supported by reimbursable substitute service costs, to focus on critical administrative work. This measure ensures that special education personnel have the necessary time and resources to complete essential documentation required for managing and supporting students with special needs.

This initiative aims to enhance compliance, improve the quality of individualized education plans (IEPS), and alleviate the administrative burden on special education personnel, ultimately supporting the effectiveness and sustainability of special education programs.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Danielle Conrad