## ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB20

Hearing Date: Monday January 26, 2009

Committee On: Education Introducer: Harms

One Liner: Change provisions of the Access College Early Scholarship Program Act

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Adams, Ashford, Avery, Cornett, Giese, Haar, Howard,

Sullivan

Nay: Absent:

**Present Not Voting:** 

Proponents: Representing:

Senator John Harms Introducer

Marshall Hill Coodinating Commission for Postsecondary Ed.

James Cavanaugh Creighton University/Assoc. of Indep. Colleges and

Universities

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Marian Borgmann-Ingwersen Nebraska Wesleyan University

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 20 would amend the Access College Early Scholarship Program (ACES).

Section 85-2105 would be amended by allowing the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education to limit the number of scholarships awarded each term. The existing language requires the applications to be accepted until funds are depleted. The measure would also allow the Commission to limit the number of scholarships a student may receive. Currently, there is language specifying that there is not a limit on the number of scholarships a student may receive.

Section 85-2106 would be amended by requiring the Commission to prepare annual, instead of biennial, reports on the program.

The proposal contains an emergency clause.

Greg Adams, Chairperson