

**ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB345**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday February 25, 2009  
**Committee On:** Judiciary  
**Introducer:** Gay  
**One Liner:** Change juvenile court jurisdiction to exclude school truancy

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

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Ashford, Christensen, Council, Lathrop, Lautenbaugh, McGill, Rogert
<b>Nay:</b>	1	Senator Coash
<b>Absent:</b>		
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Proponents:**

Lisa Johns  
Todd Landry

**Representing:**

Introducer  
DHHS

**Opponents:**

Lawrence Gendler  
Kim Hawekotte  
Sandra Markley  
Kathy Bigsby Moore  
Dr. Wesley Galusha  
Martin Klein

**Representing:**

Sarpy Co. Separate Juvenile Court  
UNO/BBF Initiative  
Sarpy Co. Attorney's Office  
Voices for Children NE  
Omaha Public Schools  
Grand Island Public Schools

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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

Legislative Bill 345 amends Sec. 43-247 to eliminate habitual truancy from school as a status offence under the Juvenile Code. Under the bill, the juvenile court would no longer have jurisdiction over a juvenile for habitual truancy.

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Brad Ashford, Chairperson