

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023
COMMITTEE STATEMENT (CORRECTED)
LB630

Hearing Date: Tuesday February 14, 2023
Committee On: Education
Introducer: McKinney
One Liner: Provide a duty to the State Department of Education and require a school board to adopt a written dress code

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Albrecht, Briese, Conrad, Linehan, Murman, Sanders, Walz
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Wayne
Present Not Voting:		

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Terrell McKinney
Nyomi Thompson
Alice Johnson
Abbi Swatsworth
Norma Jean LeRoy
Kyla StarBoy
Dunixi Guereca
Anahi Salazar
Marian Holstein
Jordan Mason
Rose Godinez
Judi gaiashkibos
Lacy Smith*

Representing:

Introducer
I Be Black Girl
Self
OutNebraska
Self
Self
Stand for Schools
Voices for Children in Nebraska
Nebraska Indian Education Association
Self
ACLU of Nebraska
Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs
Self

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 630 would require each school district to adopt a written dress code and grooming policy that is consistent with the model policy developed by the DOE.

SECTION 1

Within the dates provided the school board of each district shall adopt a written dress and grooming policy that is consistent with the DOE model policy.

The adopted policy shall conform with standards provided in this bill regarding subjects such as remedial measures, missing class time, and enforcement.

SECTION 2

2.1 – Addresses definitions and use of terms such as:

Department

National Origin

Natural and Protective Hairstyles

Race

Religious Attire

Tribal Regalia

2.2 - Instructs the DOE to develop and distribute a model dress code by December 2, 2024. Sub-sections a, b, and c address certain prohibitions in the model dress code.

2.3 – The model policy must include a statement specifying consistency with a school's overall discipline plan.

2.4 – The DOE may, as part of the dress code and grooming policy, adopt a health and safety standard. Such standard and its enforcement must comport with requirements included in subsection 2.4.a through 2.4.f.

Dave Murman, Chairperson