

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB231

Chairperson: Senator Dave Murman

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: February 21, 2023

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

Current law provides that school districts are directed to have a policy regarding excessive absenteeism and a process by which schools are to address excessive absences and requires districts to provide certain services and notice to parents or guardians when children experience absences.

Legislative Bill 231 would direct that districts are to provide written communication to parents or guardians as to excessive absences in order to arrange a collaborative plan to improve attendance and provide certain services in order to do so.

LB 231 would require that such services are to be provided upon twenty days of absence being reached in a school year and shall include, if agreed to by the person who is responsible for making educational decisions on behalf of the child, an educational evaluation to determine whether any intellectual, academic, physical, or social emotional barriers are contributing factors to the lack of attendance.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator George Dungan