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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 682**

Introduced by Education Committee: Murman, 38, Chairperson; Conrad, 46;  
Hughes, 24; Juarez, 5; Lonowski, 33; Meyer, 17; Sanders,  
45.

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Committee: Education

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend section 79-770, Reissue
- 2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to update terminology related to an
- 3 individualized education program for a student for provisions
- 4 regarding a certificate of attendance at a school district or
- 5 participation in high school graduation; and to repeal the original
- 6 section.
- 7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           **Section 1.** Section 79-770, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
2 amended to read:

3           79-770 At the request of a parent or guardian, a school district  
4 shall issue a certificate of attendance to a student who receives special  
5 education services under the Special Education Act, who has reached  
6 seventeen years of age, and who has not completed his or her  
7 individualized education program plan. A school district shall allow a  
8 student who receives a certificate of attendance under this section to  
9 participate in the high school graduation ceremony of such high school  
10 with students receiving high school diplomas. A student may receive only  
11 one certificate of attendance and may participate in only one graduation  
12 ceremony based on such certificate. The receipt of a certificate of  
13 attendance pursuant to this section shall not affect a school district's  
14 obligation to continue to provide special education services to a student  
15 receiving such certificate.

16           This section does not preclude a student from receiving a high  
17 school diploma by meeting the school district's graduation requirements  
18 established pursuant to section 79-729 or in his or her individualized  
19 education program plan or receiving a diploma of high school equivalency  
20 under section 79-730 upon completing the requirements of such section.  
21 The school district may allow a student who has previously participated  
22 in a graduation ceremony based on a certificate of attendance to  
23 participate in an additional graduation ceremony when such student  
24 receives a high school diploma.

25           **Sec. 2.** Original section 79-770, Reissue Revised Statutes of  
26 Nebraska, is repealed.