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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB31

Chairperson: Senator Dave Murman

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: February 04, 2025

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

LB 31 directs the Nebraska State Board of Education to develop a model policy relating to the use of student surveillance, monitoring and tracking technologies and to require each school district to adopt a policy consistent with such model policy.

At a minimum the policy shall require school districts to do the following:

- Create an inventory of the type of surveillance tools or student surveys that gather personal information considered for use or actual use in the school district, including
- name and contact information for each private company, vendor or governmental entity and cost of such technology;
- description of each tool used including privacy protection measures and data sharing;
- whether or not parents may opt their students out of being subject to such tools;
- if and how data from such monitoring is used and shared with law enforcement or what if any implications for punitive actions under the Student Discipline Act.;
- how each school ensures proper accommodation for students with disabilities or IEPs and how biometric or personally identifiable info is stored, shared, or sold with the private companies, vendors, or governmental entities providing such tools ,and
- clearly delineate what remedies are available to students and parents for violations of personal privacy related to such tools, including but not limited to, the Consumer Protection Act, the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims and Act and section 79-2,104.

The inventory and information related to such information considered for use or utilized by the school districts shall be posted on each schools website and will be made available by hard copy by request.

Beginning May 1, 2026, each school board shall adopt a written policy consistent with the model policy.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Danielle Conrad