LEGISLATIVE BILL 495

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Committee: Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to provide for a statewide system of data collection on school discipline and law enforcement referrals as prescribed; and to provide duties for the State Board of Education and school districts.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,
Section 1. The State Board of Education shall implement a statewide system for collecting data on school disciplinary measures and law enforcement referrals, including:

(1) The number of students sent to in-school suspension once and more than once;

(2) The number of students sent to out-of-school suspension once and more than once;

(3) The number of students expelled in total;

(4) The number of students expelled under zero-tolerance policies;

(5) The number of school days missed by students due to out-of-school suspension or expulsion and the range of dates missed;

(6) The number of students subject to mandatory reassignment for disciplinary reasons;

(7) The number of students who were referred to a law enforcement agency or official, including school resource officers, for school-related activity;

(8) The number of students who were ticketed or arrested for school-related activity;

(9) The number of students who were ticketed, arrested, or detained at their school or while actively engaged in or attending any school-sponsored activity or athletic event;

(10) The use of restraints in schools, including mechanical restraints such as handcuffs, physical restraint by staff or peace officers, and room confinement or seclusion; and

(11) Whether a sworn law enforcement officer, including a school resource officer or juvenile probation officer, is assigned to the school.

School districts shall provide the state board with individual student data in order to implement the statewide system. Data shall be collected in such a manner that it may be disaggregated by race or ethnicity, gender, grade level, and whether the student has an identified
1 learning or behavioral disability.