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SECOND SESSION  
**LEGISLATIVE BILL 682**

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Committee:

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to require formation of allied

2 systems as prescribed.

3 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1. On or before July 1, 2015, any school district  
2 in Nebraska with fewer than six hundred fifty students enrolled in  
3 grades kindergarten through twelve for at least two consecutive  
4 school years shall form an allied system with at least three other  
5 school districts with fewer than six hundred fifty students enrolled  
6 in grades kindergarten through twelve for at least two consecutive  
7 school years so that the minimum number of students in such allied  
8 system is one thousand three hundred students. If a school district  
9 required to form an allied system under this section has not done so  
10 by such date, the Commissioner of Education shall form an allied  
11 system which includes such district. The commissioner shall consider  
12 the number of students in each allied system in forming allied  
13 systems under this section, with the goal of keeping the student  
14 population of the allied systems as nearly equal as possible. A  
15 school district with an enrollment of six hundred fifty students or  
16 more may but is not required to join an allied system. Each allied  
17 system shall file with the State Department of Education a list of  
18 its member school districts on or before July 1 of each year  
19 beginning in 2015.

20           Sec. 2. The member school districts of an allied system  
21 formed pursuant to section 1 of this act shall participate in an  
22 interlocal agreement under the Interlocal Cooperation Act which shall  
23 include, but need not be limited to, the following terms:

24           (1) The superintendent of each school district in the  
25 allied system is deemed the representative of his or her district to

1 the allied system;

2 (2) Each district in the allied system shall have the  
3 same yearly calendar and daily schedule, except that this subdivision  
4 does not require that such districts have the same yearly calendar  
5 and daily schedule for extracurricular activities;

6 (3) All employees of each school district shall remain  
7 employees of such district and their contracts shall be negotiated  
8 through such district; and

9 (4) No district in an allied system may move into another  
10 allied system if such change would reduce the student population in  
11 its original allied system below one thousand three hundred students  
12 in grades kindergarten through twelve.

13 Sec. 3. Within one year after July 1, 2015, the  
14 representatives of the school districts in an allied system shall  
15 meet and create a common calendar and schedule which shall be  
16 implemented beginning with school year 2016.

17 Sec. 4. Nothing in sections 1 to 3 of this act requires  
18 the school districts in an allied system to combine or coordinate  
19 revenue, spending, taxation, state aid, or any other elements  
20 relating to finances.