

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 385

Introduced by Linehan, 39.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine state standardized testing required in elementary and secondary public schools in Nebraska and the Accountability for a Quality Education System, Today and Tomorrow (AQuESTT) system used to classify schools under the Quality Education Accountability Act.

This study shall include, but need not be limited to:

(1) The benefits and value of Nebraska's standardized assessment system developed by the State Board of Education compared to adopting norm-referenced, nationally accepted, standardized testing requirements;

(2) The history of standardized testing in Nebraska and how Nebraska came to develop and adopt its own standardized assessments; and

(3) How the AQuESTT system was developed for the statewide assessment and reporting system as required pursuant to section 79-760.01, and if classifying schools in the manner outlined in such system is beneficial to Nebraska schools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Education Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.