



Ninety – Sixth Legislature – First Session – 1999
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 272

Chairperson: Senator Ardyce L. Bohlke
Committee: Education
Date of Hearing: 01/25/99

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

LB 272 is a follow-up bill to LB 806 from the 1997 session that eliminates the mandatory office of the county superintendent of public instruction by June 30, 2000. Based upon recommendations of the State Department of Education, LB 272 provides for which of the duties assigned to county superintendents should be eliminated, which of such duties should be retained, and to whom the retained duties should be assigned. The remaining duties are transferred to county clerks, county treasurers or school district officials. The county reorganization duties are transferred to the state reorganization committee.

LB 272 also replaces the office of county superintendent with the optional office of county school administrator. If a county board wishes to continue the functions of a county school administrator, it may contract with a qualified individual to do so. The expenses related to a county school administrator are at the county's expense.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Elaine R. Stuhr