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Memorandum

To: Education Committee of the Nebraska Legislature

From: Carna Pfeil, Ph.D.
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Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

Date: January 15, 2014

Subject: LB 781

I request that the following be read into the record:

I submit this memorandum as neutral testimony for LB 781.

The Coordinating Commission, on behalf of the State of Nebraska, annually submits various higher-education data to federal and national entities for use in multiple surveys. The surveys require this data from every state.

The Coordinating Commission obtains some of this data from the annual comprehensive audits submitted by the state's community colleges. It is possible that the Coordinating Commission would, on occasion, require survey data from these audits prior to the revised deadline of Nov. 15 proposed in this bill. In those cases, the Commission would attempt to work with the community colleges to obtain the necessary data prior to the audit submission deadline.

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