ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 37—COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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(ON BEHALF OF LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION'S STUDY OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND STUDENT DISCIPLINE)

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Requires communication of certain information to school districts, parents and educational personnel. (BDR 34-322)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Yes.

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to public schools; requiring the superintendent of public instruction to provide certain information concerning statutes and regulations affecting public schools and pupils to the boards of trustees of school districts; requiring the boards of trustees to provide similar information to parents and educational personnel; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 385.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

385.210 1. The superintendent of public instruction shall prescribe a convenient form of school register for the purpose of securing accurate returns from the teachers of public schools.

2. The superintendent shall prepare pamphlet copies of the school

law, codified statutes relating to schools, and shall transmit a copy to each

school, school trustee [,] and other school officer in [the state. When] this

8 state. If additions or amendments are made to [the school law, he] these

9 codified statutes, the superintendent shall have [them] the additions or

amendments printed and transmitted immediately thereafter. Each

pamphlet [shall] *must* be marked "State property—to be turned over to

12 your successor in office." Each school shall maintain a copy of the

13 pamphlet with any additions or amendments in the school library for

14 public reference.

- In addition to the requirements set forth in subsection 2, the superintendent shall provide to the board of trustees of each school district a memorandum that describes each statute newly enacted by the legislature and each regulation newly adopted by the department or the state board which affects the public schools in this state and the pupils who are enrolled in the public schools in this state. Such a memorandum must include, without limitation, a concise plan for carrying out each statute and regulation described in the memorandum, the date on which the statute or regulation becomes effective and the date by which it must be carried into effect by a school district or public school. Each such memorandum, must be made available not later than 30 days after the 12 statute or regulation described in that memorandum becomes effective. Not later than 30 days after receipt of each such memorandum from the 13 superintendent, the board of trustees of a school district shall provide written notice of the information contained in the memorandum to each 15 parent or legal guardian of a pupil who is enrolled in a public school within the school district and all teachers, administrators and other 17 educational personnel who are employed by the board of trustees. If the parent or legal guardian of a pupil cannot understand English, the notice must be provided in a language that the parent or legal guardian can understand or, if necessary, provided orally to the parent or legal 21 guardian in a language that he can understand. 22
 - 4. The superintendent shall, if directed by the state board, prepare and publish a bulletin as the official publication of the department.

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- Sec. 2. NRS 386.360 is hereby amended to read as follows: 386.360 1. The board of trustees of a school district shall ensure that each parent or legal guardian of a pupil who is enrolled in a public school within the school district and all teachers, administrators and other educational personnel who are employed by the board of trustees receive information concerning the statutes and regulations affecting the system of public schools in this state and the pupils who are enrolled in the public schools in this state in accordance with the provisions of subsection 3 of NRS 385.210.
- 2. Each board of trustees may prescribe and enforce rules, not inconsistent with law or rules prescribed by the state board, [of education,] for its own government and the government of public schools under its charge.
- 38 [2.] 3. Each board of trustees shall prescribe rules for the granting of permission to carry or possess a weapon pursuant to NRS 202.265.

- Sec. 3. The superintendent of public instruction and the board of trustees of each school district shall provide information on statutes and regulations in accordance with the amendatory provisions of subsection 3 of section 1 of this act for all statutes and regulations that are effective on or after July 1, 1999.

 Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 1999.