SENATE BILL NO. 110–COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(ON BEHALF OF SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION)

FEBRUARY 4, 1999

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation to Department of Education for alternative programs for education of pupils at risk of dropping out of high school. (BDR S-472)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

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

AN ACT making an appropriation from the state general fund to the Department of Education for alternative programs for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of high school; 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. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the Department of Education for alternative programs for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of high school:

For the fiscal year 1999-2000 .... $3,000,000
For the fiscal year 2000-2001 .... $3,000,000

2. The board of trustees of a school district that operates an alternative program for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of high school in accordance with the provisions of NRS 388.537 may submit an application to the Superintendent of Public Instruction for an allocation from the appropriation made by subsection 1. Such an application must:

(a) Be on a form provided by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(b) Include a written description of the program operated by the board of trustees.

3. Upon receipt of such an application, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall review the application to determine whether the program operated by the board of trustees complies with NRS 388.537. If the

Superintendent of Public Instruction determines that the program complies with NRS 388.537, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall approve the application.

4. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall apportion the money available for each fiscal year among the school districts whose applications have been approved. If applications from each school district have been approved, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall distribute to each school district a percentage of the money available which is equal to the number obtained by dividing the total count of pupils enrolled in the school district by the total count of pupils enrolled in every school district in this state. If applications from fewer than all of the school districts have been approved, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall distribute to each of the participating school districts a percentage of the money available which is equal to the number obtained by dividing the total count of pupils enrolled in the participating school district by the total count of pupils enrolled in every participating school district.

5. The board of trustees of a school district that receives an allocation of money pursuant to subsection 4 shall use the money to operate an alternative program for the education of pupils at risk of dropping out of high school in accordance with the provisions of NRS 388.537.

6. The board of trustees of a school district that receives an allocation of money pursuant to subsection 4 shall not use the money to:

(a) Settle or arbitrate disputes or negotiate settlements between an organization that represents licensed employees of the school district and the school district.

(b) Adjust the schedules of salaries and benefits of the employees of the school district.

7. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 for:

(a) The fiscal year 1999-2000 must be transferred and added to the money appropriated for the fiscal year 2000-2001.

(b) The fiscal year 2000-2001, including any money added thereto pursuant to paragraph (a), must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

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