SENATE BILL NO. 187-COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(ON BEHALF OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT)

FEBRUARY 15, 1999

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Establishes program for financial support of intersession school and summer school for pupils. (BDR 34-698)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes.

Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Contains Appropriation not

included in Executive Budget.

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

AN ACT relating to education; establishing a program for the financial support of intersession school and summer school; authorizing school districts to submit applications for participation in the program; making an appropriation; 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.** Chapter 388 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto
- the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 10, inclusive, of this act.
- Sec. 2. As used in sections 2 to 10, inclusive, of this act, unless the
- context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in sections 3, 4 and 5 of this act have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
- Sec. 3. "Intersession school" means instruction that is provided
- between regularly scheduled sessions of school in a school that operates
- on a vear-round schedule or other alternative schedule.
- Sec. 4. "Program" means the program for the financial support of
- intersession school and summer school.
- Sec. 5. "Summer school" means instruction that is provided during
- 12 the summer months in a school that operates on a regular school
- 13 schedule which is not a year-round schedule or other alternative
- 14 schedule.

- Sec. 6. 1. The program for the financial support of intersession school and summer school is hereby established to assist school districts in providing intersession school and summer school.
 - 2. The department shall adopt regulations that:
- (a) Establish criteria for the eligibility of school districts to participate in the program;
- (b) Prescribe the annual deadline for submission of an application to the department by a school district that desires to participate in the program;
- 10 (c) Provide for the reversion of any unused portion of an annual allocation; and
- 12 (d) Prescribe the deadline for submission of a report to the department 13 pursuant to section 10 of this act.
 - Sec. 7. Annually, the board of trustees of a school district may submit to the department an application, on a form provided by the department, to participate in the program. The application must contain the following information regarding the proposed operation of intersession school or summer school by the board of trustees:
- 19 1. Whether the board of trustees proposes to operate intersession 20 school or summer school, or both;
 - 2. The courses of instruction that will be offered;

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- 3. The projected enrollment of pupils in intersession school or summer school, as applicable, for the year, including the categories of pupils who are expected to participate;
 - 4. The method by which the success of intersession school or summer school, as applicable, will be evaluated;
 - 5. The financial requirements of the school district to operate intersession school or summer school, as applicable; and
 - 6. Such other information as the department requires.
 - Sec. 8. 1. If an application is submitted by the deadline prescribed by the department, the department shall review the application. If the application meets the criteria for eligibility adopted by the department, the department shall approve the application.
- 2. The department shall apportion the money available for the program for that year among the school districts whose applications for participation have been approved. The money available for the program must be apportioned to each school district in proportion to the total number of pupils enrolled in public schools within the school district on the last day of the first month of the school year preceding the school year for which the money is being provided.
- 3. The department shall reallocate any unused allocations to school districts who participate in the program based upon the need of each school district, as determined by the department.

- Sec. 9. 1. If a school district participates in the program, it must provide intersession school or summer school, as applicable, for pupils:
- (a) Who attend schools that have been designated as demonstrating inadequate achievement pursuant to NRS 385.367;
 - (b) Who attend schools that receive pupils who were previously enrolled in schools that have been designated as demonstrating inadequate achievement pursuant to NRS 387.367;
 - (c) Whose primary language is not English and whose proficiency in the English language is below the average proficiency of pupils at the same grade level;
- 11 (d) Who lack sufficient course work or academic credit to advance to 12 the next grade or to graduate from school;
 - (e) Who are from families of low income;

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- (f) Who fail to demonstrate at least adequate achievement on the examinations administered pursuant to NRS 389.015; and
- (g) Who desire to obtain additional academic credit or complete additional course work.
- 2. A school district that participates in the program is not required to furnish transportation for pupils who attend intersession school or summer school.
 - Sec. 10. The board of trustees of a school district that participates in the program shall submit a report to the department on a form provided by the department. The report must contain the following information regarding the operation of intersession school or summer school during the immediately preceding 12 months:
- 1. A list of the schools within the school district that operated intersession school or summer school, or both;
 - 2. A list of the courses of instruction that were offered by each school that operated intersession school or summer school, or both;
 - 3. A statement of the total enrollment of pupils in intersession school or summer school, as applicable, for the year, including, without limitation, an itemized list of the number of pupils in each category described in paragraphs (a) to (g), inclusive, of subsection 1 of section 9 of this act who enrolled in intersession school or summer school;
 - 4. The evaluation of the success of intersession school or summer school in accordance with the method for evaluation set forth by the board of trustees pursuant to subsection 4 of section 7 of this act;
- 5. A statement of the costs incurred by the schools to operate intersession school or summer school;
 - 6. A statement of the financial resources necessary for the schools to continue to operate intersession school or summer school; and
- 7. Such other information as the department requires.

Sec. 11. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to the department of education for the program for the financial support of intersession school and summer school:

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- 2. The department of education shall use not more than 3 percent of the money appropriated by subsection 1 to conduct an evaluation of the success of the program for the financial support of intersession school and summer school. The evaluation must include, without limitation, a review of the annual reports submitted by the board of trustees of the school districts that participate in the program. On or before March 1, 2001, the department of education shall submit a written report that contains the results of the evaluation to the legislative bureau of educational accountability and program evaluation and to the director of the legislative counsel bureau for transmission to the 71st session of the Nevada legislature.
- 16 3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 17 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. 12. 1. This section and section 11 of this act become effective upon passage and approval.
- 2. Section 6 of this act becomes effective upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations and on July 1, 1999, for all other purposes.
- 29 3. Sections 1 to 5, inclusive, and 7 to 10, inclusive, of this act become 30 effective on July 1, 1999.

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