SENATE BILL NO. 98-COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES AND FACILITIES

(ON BEHALF OF WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT)

FEBRUARY 4, 1999

Referred to Committee on Human Resources and Facilities

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing minimum number of school days required for certain school districts. (BDR 34-342)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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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 education; revising the provisions governing the minimum number of school days that are required for certain school districts; 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 388.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 388.090 1. Except as otherwise permitted pursuant to this section,
- 3 boards of trustees of school districts shall schedule and provide a minimum
- 4 of 180 days of free school in the districts under their charge.
- 5 2. The superintendent of public instruction may, upon application by a
- 6 board of trustees, authorize a reduction of not more than [15] 20 school
- 7 days in a particular district to establish or maintain a 12-month school
- 8 program or a program involving alternative scheduling, if the board of
- 9 trustees demonstrates that the proposed schedule for the program provides
- 10 for a greater number of minutes of instruction than would be provided
- under a program consisting of 180 school days. Before authorizing a
- reduction in the number of required school days pursuant to this subsection,
- the superintendent of public instruction must find that the proposed
- schedule will be used to alleviate problems associated with a growth in enrollment or
- overcrowding, or to establish and maintain a program of
- 16 alternative schooling.

- 3. The superintendent of public instruction may, upon application by a board of trustees, authorize the addition of minutes of instruction to [any] a scheduled day of free school if days of free school are lost because of [any] an interscholastic activity. Not more than 5 days of free school so lost may be rescheduled in this manner.
 - 4. Each school district shall schedule at least 3 contingent days of school in addition to the number of days required by this section, which must be used if a natural disaster, inclement weather or an accident necessitates the closing of a majority of the facilities within the district.
- 5. If more than 3 days of free school are lost because a natural disaster, inclement weather or an accident necessitates the closing of a majority of the facilities within a school district, the superintendent of public instruction, upon application by the school district, may permit the additional days lost to be counted as school days in session. The application must be submitted in the manner prescribed by the superintendent of public instruction.
 - 6. The state board [of education] shall adopt regulations providing procedures for changing schedules of instruction to be used if a natural disaster, inclement weather or an accident necessitates the closing of a particular school within a school district.
 - **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 1999.

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