

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 130—ASSEMBLYMEN CEGAVSKE, ANDERSON,  
BERMAN, BROWN, CLABORN, GOLDWATER, HETTRICK, HUMKE,  
SMITH AND VON TOBEL

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JOINT SPONSOR: SENATOR SHAFFER

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Requires boards of trustees of school districts to offer certain contracts of employment to probationary administrators and principals who are not reemployed in those capacities as postprobationary employees. (BDR 34-1048)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: 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 educational personnel; requiring the boards of trustees of school districts to offer certain contracts of employment to probationary administrators and principals who are not reemployed in those capacities as postprobationary employees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- 1     **Section 1.** NRS 391.3197 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     391.3197 1. A probationary employee is employed on a contract  
3     basis for two 1-year periods and has no right to employment after either of  
4     the two probationary contract years.  
5     2. The board shall notify each probationary employee in writing on or  
6     before May 1 of the first and second school years of his probationary  
7     period, as appropriate, whether he is to be reemployed for the second year  
8     of the probationary period or for the next school year as a postprobationary  
9     employee. The employee must advise the board in writing on or before  
10    May 10 of the first or second year of his probationary period, as  
11    appropriate, of his acceptance of reemployment. If a probationary  
12    employee is assigned to a school that operates all year, the board shall  
13    notify him in writing, in both the first and second years of his probationary  
14    period, no later than 45 days before his last day of work for the year under



1 his contract whether he is to be reemployed for the second year of the  
2 probationary period or for the next school year as a postprobationary  
3 employee. He must advise the board in writing within 10 days after the  
4 date of notification of his acceptance or rejection of reemployment for  
5 another year. Failure to advise the board of his acceptance of  
6 reemployment constitutes rejection of the contract.

7 3. A probationary employee who completes his 2-year probationary  
8 period and receives a notice of reemployment from the school district in  
9 the second year of his probationary period is entitled to be a  
10 postprobationary employee in the ensuing year of employment.

11 4. A probationary employee who receives an unsatisfactory evaluation  
12 may request a supplemental evaluation by another administrator in the  
13 school district selected by him and the superintendent. If a school district  
14 has five or fewer administrators, the supplemental evaluator may be an  
15 administrator from another school district in the state. If a probationary  
16 employee has received during the first school year of his probationary  
17 period three evaluations which state that the employee's overall  
18 performance has been satisfactory, the superintendent of schools of the  
19 school district or his designee shall waive the second year of the  
20 employee's probationary period by expressly providing in writing on the  
21 final evaluation of the employee for the first probationary year that the  
22 second year of his probationary period is waived. Such an employee is  
23 entitled to be a postprobationary employee in the ensuing year of  
24 employment.

25 5. If a probationary employee is notified that he will not be  
26 reemployed for the second year of his probationary period or the ensuing  
27 school year, his employment ends on the last day of the current school  
28 year. The notice that he will not be reemployed must include a statement of  
29 the reasons for that decision.

30 6. A new employee or a postprobationary teacher who is employed as  
31 an administrator shall be deemed to be a probationary employee for the  
32 purposes of this section and must serve a 2-year probationary period as an  
33 administrator in accordance with the provisions of this section. If the  
34 administrator does not receive an unsatisfactory evaluation during the first  
35 year of probation, the superintendent or his designee shall waive the second  
36 year of the administrator's probationary period. Such an administrator is  
37 entitled to be a postprobationary employee in the ensuing year of  
38 employment. If a postprobationary teacher who is an administrator is not  
39 reemployed ~~in that capacity~~ *as an administrator* after either year of his  
40 probationary period, ~~he may accept~~ *the board of trustees of the school*  
41 *district in which the person is employed shall, on or before May 1, offer*  
42 *the person* a contract as a teacher for the ensuing school year. *The person*  
43 *may accept the contract* in writing on or before May 10. If ~~he~~ *the person*  
44 fails to accept the contract as a teacher, ~~he~~ *the person* shall be deemed to  
45 have rejected the offer of a contract as a teacher.

46 7. An administrator who has completed his probationary period  
47 pursuant to subsection 6 and is thereafter promoted to the position of  
48 principal must serve an additional probationary period of 1 year in the  
49 position of principal. If the administrator serving the additional



1 probationary period is not reemployed ~~in that capacity~~ *as a principal*  
2 after the expiration of the additional probationary period, ~~he may accept~~  
3 *the board of trustees of the school district in which the person is*  
4 *employed shall, on or before May 1, offer the person* a contract for the  
5 ensuing school year ~~in writing, on or before May 10,~~ for the  
6 administrative position in which ~~he~~ *the person* attained postprobationary  
7 status. ~~If he~~ *The person may accept the contract in writing on or before*  
8 *May 10. If the person* fails to accept such a contract, ~~he~~ *the person* shall  
9 be deemed to have rejected the offer of employment.  
10 8. Before dismissal, the probationary employee is entitled to a hearing  
11 before a hearing officer which affords due process as set out in NRS  
12 391.311 to 391.3196, inclusive.  
13 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.

