

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51—SENATOR RAWSON

MAY 31, 2001

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Encourages use of systems to suppress engine compartment fires in school buses. (BDR R-1570)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Encouraging the use of systems to suppress fires in the engine compartments of school buses.

1 WHEREAS, Each year school buses throughout the country experience
2 fire in their engine compartments that are serious enough to require
3 assistance from fire departments; and

4 WHEREAS, A fire in the engine compartment of a school bus can spread
5 rapidly and may result in injury or loss of life, equipment damage, personal
6 injury liability, vehicle downtime for repairs or loss of the vehicle; and

7 WHEREAS, Many of the school buses in use in this state and in the
8 country are used to transport students with physical disabilities; and

9 WHEREAS, Time may not be available for the complete evaluation of the
10 safety of such school buses; and

11 WHEREAS, The technology exists for the installation of a clean agent
12 vehicle thermatic fire extinguisher system in the engine compartment of
13 school buses; and

14 WHEREAS, Such systems can suppress dangerous fires within seconds;
15 now, therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY
17 CONCURRING, That the Nevada Legislature urges the Nevada Department
18 of Education and the State Board of Education to encourage school
19 districts in this state to specify that such systems be included in the
20 specifications for all purchases of new school buses; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the Nevada Department of Education and the State
22 Board of Education are urged to encourage school districts to install such
23 systems in existing school buses that transport disabled students, to the
24 extent financial resources are available; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy
26 of this resolution to the Nevada Department of Education for transmittal to
27 the State Board of Education and to all school districts in this state.

