

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 184—ASSEMBLYMEN GERHARDT, SMITH,
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ATKINSON, BUCKLEY, CLABORN, CONKLIN,
GIUNCHIGLIANI, HOGAN, KIRKPATRICK, KOIVISTO, LESLIE,
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PARKS, PARNELL, PERKINS, PIERCE, SHERER AND WEBER

MARCH 9, 2005

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Requires development and distribution of parental involvement compacts. (BDR 34-921)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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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; requiring the Department of Education to prescribe a form for a parental involvement compact between schools and parents or legal guardians of pupils; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law requires the State Board of Education to adopt a policy to
2 encourage effective parental involvement in support of the education of children.
3 (NRS 392.457)

4 This bill requires the Department of Education to prescribe a form for a
5 parental involvement compact that complies with the parental involvement policy
6 adopted by the State Board. The form provides various information concerning
7 policies and suggestions, including information on course curriculum, the
8 homework policy of the pupil's teacher or school, directions for finding resource
9 materials, suggestions for parents and legal guardians to assist pupils in their
10 schoolwork and dates of scheduled parent-teacher conferences.

11 This bill further requires each school district to ensure that the form prescribed
12 by the Department, or an expanded version of the form, is used for the parental
13 involvement compact of each school in the district. Each teacher is required to
14 distribute the compact to the parent or legal guardian of each pupil in his class and
15 then collect the compact once it has been signed by the parent or legal guardian.



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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 392 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. The Department shall prescribe a form for parental
4 involvement compacts. The parental involvement compact must
5 comply with the parental involvement policy:*

6 *(a) Required by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001,
7 as set forth in 20 U.S.C. § 6318.*

8 *(b) Adopted by the State Board pursuant to NRS 392.457.*

9 *2. Each parental involvement compact must include, without
10 limitation:*

11 *(a) Information describing how the parent or legal guardian
12 may contact the pupil's teacher and the principal of the school in
13 which the pupil is enrolled;*

14 *(b) The curriculum of the course or grade in which the pupil is
15 enrolled, as applicable, including, without limitation, a calendar
16 that indicates the dates of examinations and the due dates of
17 significant projects;*

18 *(c) The homework policy of the pupil's teacher or school;*

19 *(d) Directions for finding resource materials for the course or
20 grade in which the pupil is enrolled, as applicable;*

21 *(e) Suggestions for parents and legal guardians to assist pupils
22 in their schoolwork at home;*

23 *(f) The dates of scheduled conferences between teachers or
24 administrators and the parents or legal guardians of the pupil;*

25 *(g) The manner in which reports of the pupil's progress will be
26 delivered to the parent or legal guardian and how a parent or legal
27 guardian may request a report of progress;*

28 *(h) The classroom rules and policies;*

29 *(i) The dress code of the school, if any; and*

30 *(j) The availability of assistance to parents who have limited
31 proficiency in the English language.*

32 *3. The board of trustees of each school district shall adopt a
33 policy providing for the development and distribution of a parental
34 involvement compact. The policy adopted by a board of trustees
35 must require each classroom teacher to:*

36 *(a) Distribute the parental involvement compact to the parent
37 or legal guardian of each pupil in his class at the beginning of
38 each school year or upon a pupil's enrollment in the class, as
39 applicable; and*

40 *(b) Collect a signed parental involvement compact from the
41 parent or legal guardian of each pupil in his class.*



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1 **4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the board**
2 **of trustees of each school district shall ensure that the form**
3 **prescribed by the Department is used for the parental involvement**
4 **compact of each school in the school district. The board of trustees**
5 **of a school district may authorize the use of an expanded form**
6 **that contains additions to the form prescribed by the Department if**
7 **the basic information contained in the expanded form complies**
8 **with the form prescribed by the Department.**

9 **5. The Department and the board of trustees of each school**
10 **district shall, at least once each year, review and amend their**
11 **respective parental involvement compacts.**

12 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2005.

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