ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6–
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
SUBCOMMITTEE TO STUDY THE EFFECTIVENESS OF
CAREER AND TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOLS)

FEBRUARY 20, 2007

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Urges the boards of trustees of school districts and the Nevada System of Higher Education to expand certain programs of career and technical education. (BDR R-442)

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

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Urging the boards of trustees of the school districts in this State and the Nevada System of Higher Education to expand the availability and scope of programs of career and technical education offered in high schools for which pupils receive college credit.

WHEREAS, Career and technical education represents a significant contribution to the education of pupils enrolled in the public schools in this State by providing the pupils with gains in academic achievement, expanded career choices and the opportunity to start their education at the postsecondary level while in high school; and

WHEREAS, Reports by the Nevada Department of Education indicate that:

1. The percentage of pupils who graduate and receive a high school diploma is higher for pupils who participate in a program of career and technical education than the total percentage of pupils who graduate and receive a high school diploma in the State;

2. The percentage of pupils who drop out of high school is lower for pupils who participate in a program of career and technical education than the total percentage of pupils who drop out of high school in the State; and

3. Approximately 50 percent of pupils attending high school in this State take at least one course of career and technical education; and

WHEREAS, Currently, certain school districts in this State and certain institutions within the Nevada System of Higher Education enter into agreements pursuant to which high schools in the school district offer programs of career and technical education to pupils enrolled in grades 11 and 12 at the high schools, which are taught by teachers at the high schools; and

WHEREAS, A pupil who successfully completes a course in such a program and who receives the minimum grade required by the program receives both high school credit and college credit for the course, which saves the pupil both time and money, and allows the pupil to make significant strides before graduation from high school toward completion of a college degree; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the members of the 74th Session of the Nevada Legislature hereby urge the boards of trustees of the school districts in this State and the institutions within the Nevada System of Higher Education to expand the availability of the programs of career and technical education for which pupils receive college credit at high schools in this State and to expand existing programs to offer more courses of career and technical education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Chairman of the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the president of the board of trustees of each school district in this State.

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