

Amendment No. 1165

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 553	(BDR S-427)
Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Ways and Means	
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) *green bold italic underlining* is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) **green bold** is newly added transitory language.

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A.B. No. 553—Makes appropriations relating to education. (BDR S-427)



ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 553—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION)

MARCH 26, 2007

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes appropriations relating to education. (BDR S-427)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in
Executive Budget.

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

AN ACT making appropriations relating to education; and providing other matters
properly relating thereto.

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

1 Delete existing sections 1 through 10 of this bill and replace with the following
2 new sections 1 through 10:
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4 *Section 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General*
5 *Fund to the Department of Education the sum of \$800,000 for gifted and*
6 *talented programs. After the allocation pursuant to subsection 2, the*
7 *Department shall allocate the money based upon the number of pupils enrolled*
8 *in each school district. The money must be used by a school district for gifted*
9 *and talented programs that directly impact gifted and talented pupils.*

10 2. Of the amount appropriated by subsection 1, the Department of
11 Education shall use \$55,293 in Fiscal Year 2007-2008 and \$74,535 in Fiscal
12 Year 2008-2009 for a parent involvement coordinator position in the
13 Department of Education.

14 3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1
15 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to
16 which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the
17 appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any
18 portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any
19 purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
20 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or
21 transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before
22 September 18, 2009.

23 *Sec. 2. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to*
24 *the Department of Education for pilot programs for alternative programs of*

1 education for disruptive pupils established pursuant to this section the sum of
2 \$915,000.

3 2. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall prescribe:

4 (a) The form for an application to establish a pilot program for an
5 alternative program of education for disruptive pupils; and

6 (b) Criteria for the selection of schools to establish such a pilot program.

7 3. A public school in this State may submit an application to the
8 Department to establish a pilot program pursuant to this section. Such an
9 application must include an estimate of the costs of establishing a program. If
10 a school is selected to establish a pilot program, the school will receive a grant
11 of money from the appropriation made by subsection 1 to carry out a program
12 in an amount based upon the estimated costs of establishing the program.

13 4. A pilot program established pursuant to this section must:

14 (a) Comply with NRS 392.4642 to 392.4648, inclusive;

15 (b) Be provided in a setting outside the regular classroom of the pupil;

16 (c) Ensure that pupils who are participating in the program are separated
17 from pupils who are not participating in the program;

18 (d) Provide supervision of and counseling to pupils who participate in the
19 program;

20 (e) Provide and emphasize instruction in English language arts,
21 mathematics, science and history, as appropriate to the grade level of the
22 pupils participating in the program;

23 (f) Provide and emphasize training in self-discipline;

24 (g) Provide for a transitional stage between in-school or in-home
25 suspension and regular school activities; and

26 (h) Include an evaluation phase based on the collection of data to measure
27 the effectiveness of the program.

28 5. A pilot program established pursuant to this section may:

29 (a) Be located on the grounds of the school or at another location.

30 (b) Include programs that:

31 (1) Use innovative instructional, counseling or disciplinary concepts.

32 (2) Encourage the effective involvement of the parents and legal
33 guardians of pupils who are participating in the program.

34 (c) Provide instructional and other services to pupils through the existing
35 staff at a public school or from other personnel, or any combination thereof.

36 6. On or before October 1, 2008, the schools that establish a pilot
37 program pursuant to this section shall submit a report to the Department for
38 the period ending September 1, 2008, that includes:

39 (a) The manner in which the pilot program was carried out;

40 (b) The number of pupils who participated in the program;

41 (c) The expenditures made by the school for the program;

42 (d) The number of disciplinary referrals, suspensions and expulsions that
43 occurred at the school before and after the establishment of the program; and

44 (e) An analysis of the academic achievement and performance of the
45 pupils before and after the pupils participated in the program.

46 7. The Department shall evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot programs
47 established pursuant to this section based on the reports submitted by the
48 schools pursuant to subsection 6. In addition, the Department shall solicit and
49 analyze data from schools that did not establish pilot programs pursuant to
50 this section but have established alternative programs of education for
51 disruptive pupils. The Department may spend not more than \$10,000 of the
52 amount appropriated by subsection 1 during the Fiscal Years 2007-2009 to
53 hire a contractor to assist with the evaluation.

1 8. On or before December 1, 2008, the Department shall submit a report
2 of its findings to the Legislative Committee on Education.

3 9. On or before February 1, 2009, the Department shall submit a final
4 report of its findings to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for
5 transmission to the 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature.

6 10. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1
7 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to
8 which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the
9 appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any
10 portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any
11 purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
12 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or
13 transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before
14 September 18, 2009.

15 *Sec. 3.* 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to
16 the Department of Education the sum of \$100,000 for distribution to school
17 districts that establish pilot programs in accordance with this section. The
18 Department shall:

19 (a) Prescribe the form for an application to establish a pilot program to
20 teach the English language to children who have limited proficiency in the
21 English language during the summer before they attend kindergarten;

22 (b) Prescribe the criteria for the selection of school districts to establish a
23 pilot program; and

24 (c) Develop a uniform method for evaluation of the pilot programs that
25 provides a longitudinal analysis of statistical data.

26 2. A school district that wishes to establish a pilot program to teach the
27 English language to children who have limited proficiency in the English
28 language during the summer before they attend kindergarten shall:

29 (a) On or before October 1, 2007, submit to the Department of Education
30 an application on the form provided by the Department pursuant to
31 subsection 1;

32 (b) Submit proof to the Department that the school district has obtained
33 matching money from a private source to combine with the money provided by
34 the Department; and

35 (c) Agree to participate in the longitudinal evaluation of the pilot
36 programs developed by the Department pursuant to subsection 1.

37 3. An application submitted pursuant to subsection 2 must contain a plan
38 for a pilot program. Such a plan must:

39 (a) Contain an estimate of the number of children who will be enrolled in
40 the program.

41 (b) Set forth the manner in which the children will be screened for
42 participation in the pilot program. For each student that will participate in the
43 pilot program, all prekindergarten children who are determined to have
44 limited proficiency in the English language, who speak a common language
45 and who will be enrolled in kindergarten at the school in the fall of 2008, must
46 be enrolled in the same class for the pilot program, unless fewer than 10 such
47 children speak a common language.

48 (c) Ensure that each class taught in the pilot program includes at least one
49 teacher and one paraprofessional, at least one of whom must speak, read and
50 write both the English language and the primary language of the children
51 enrolled in the class.

1 4. The Department of Education shall not approve an application
2 submitted pursuant to subsection 2 if the applicant has not received matching
3 money from a private source.

4 5. On or before December 1, 2007, the Department of Education shall
5 make grants of money from the appropriation made by subsection 1 as
6 follows:

7 (a) If the Department approves an application submitted by the Clark
8 County School District, up to \$70,000 to the School District to carry out the
9 pilot program before the beginning of the 2008-2009 school year.

10 (b) If the Department approves an application submitted by the Washoe
11 County School District, up to \$30,000 to the School District to carry out the
12 pilot program before the beginning of the 2008-2009 school year.

13 (c) If the Department approves applications submitted by school districts
14 other than the Clark County School District and the Washoe County School
15 District, the Department shall distribute the amount of money remaining after
16 the distributions to the Clark County School District and the Washoe County
17 School District, if any, to those school districts. The grants of money made to
18 each school district pursuant to this paragraph must be distributed
19 proportionately among the school districts based upon the number of children
20 who are estimated to participate in the pilot program in each school district. A
21 school district that receives a grant of money pursuant to this paragraph shall
22 use the money to carry out the approved pilot program before the beginning of
23 the 2008-2009 school year.

24 6. For each school district whose application is approved, the school
25 district shall distribute \$1,000 to each school that will participate in the pilot
26 program to promote parental involvement with the parents and legal
27 guardians of children enrolled in the program. The money may be used by a
28 school, without limitation, for the purchase of translating materials for the
29 parents and guardians and providing training to the staff and parents and
30 guardians on effective methods to communicate with school personnel and
31 other methods designed to promote effective involvement by parents and
32 guardians in the education of their children.

33 7. A school district that establishes a pilot program:

34 (a) Is responsible for all costs associated with the building, maintenance,
35 utilities, administration and supplies for the pilot program offered at a school
36 within the district.

37 (b) Shall submit an evaluation of the pilot program on or before
38 November 1, 2008, to the Department of Education in a format required by the
39 Department.

40 8. On or before February 2, 2009, the Department of Education shall
41 submit a report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for
42 transmission to the 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature. The report must
43 include, without limitation:

44 (a) The name of each school district that received a grant of money
45 pursuant to subsection 5 and the amount of each grant;

46 (b) A compilation of the evaluations submitted by each school district that
47 established a pilot program;

48 (c) An evaluation of the pilot programs, including, without limitation, the
49 effect of the programs on the achievement and proficiency in the English
50 language of the children enrolled in the program; and

51 (d) Any recommendations for legislation relating to the pilot programs.

52 9. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1
53 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to

1 which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the
2 appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any
3 portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any
4 purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
5 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or
6 transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before
7 September 18, 2009.

8 *Sec. 4.* 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to
9 the Communities in Schools of Southern Nevada, Inc., the sum of \$709,000 to
10 coordinate the provision of student and family services to youth in Clark
11 County.

12 2. Upon acceptance of the money appropriated by subsection 1, the
13 Communities in Schools of Southern Nevada shall:

14 (a) Prepare and transmit a report to the Interim Finance Committee on or
15 before December 15, 2008, that describes each expenditure made from the
16 money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was
17 received by the Communities in Schools of Southern Nevada through
18 December 1, 2008;

19 (b) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance Committee
20 on or before September 18, 2009, that describes each expenditure made from
21 the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money
22 was received by the Communities in Schools of Southern Nevada through
23 June 30, 2009; and

24 (c) Upon request of the Legislative Commission, make available to the
25 Legislative Auditor any of the books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers or
26 other records of information, confidential or otherwise, of the Communities in
27 Schools of Southern Nevada, regardless of their form or location, that the
28 Legislative Auditor deems necessary to conduct an audit of the use of the
29 money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1.

30 3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1
31 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to
32 which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the
33 appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any
34 portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any
35 purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
36 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or
37 transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before
38 September 18, 2009.

39 *Sec. 5.* 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to
40 the Greater Las Vegas After-School All-Stars the sum of \$709,000 for the
41 implementation and operation of after-school programs in certain at-risk
42 schools within the Clark County School District.

43 2. The Greater Las Vegas After-School All-Stars shall work in
44 cooperation with the Clark County School District to identify the at-risk
45 schools within the School District in which the after-school programs will be
46 provided.

47 3. The Greater Las Vegas After-School All-Stars shall use the money
48 appropriated by subsection 1 to implement and operate an after-school
49 program at each school identified pursuant to subsection 2, including, without
50 limitation:

51 (a) Personnel for the program;

52 (b) Equipment and supplies for the program, including, without
53 limitation, educational and instructional materials and sports equipment;

1 (c) Incentives for children who participate in the program, including,
2 without limitation, shirts and medals;

3 (d) Transportation for educational field trips; and

4 (e) The provision of healthy snacks for children who participate in the
5 program.

6 4. Upon acceptance of the money appropriated by subsection 1, the
7 Greater Las Vegas After-School All-Stars shall:

8 (a) Prepare and transmit a report to the Interim Finance Committee on or
9 before December 15, 2008, that describes each expenditure made from the
10 money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was
11 received by the Greater Las Vegas After-School All-Stars through
12 December 1, 2008;

13 (b) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance Committee
14 on or before September 18, 2009, that describes each expenditure made from
15 the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money
16 was received by the Greater Las Vegas After-School All-Stars through
17 June 30, 2009; and

18 (c) Upon request of the Legislative Commission, make available to the
19 Legislative Auditor any of the books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers or
20 other records of information, confidential or otherwise, of the Greater Las
21 Vegas After-School All-Stars, regardless of their form or location, that the
22 Legislative Auditor deems necessary to conduct an audit of the use of the
23 money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1.

24 5. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1
25 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to
26 which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the
27 appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any
28 portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any
29 purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
30 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or
31 transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before
32 September 18, 2009.

33 *Sec. 6.* 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to
34 the Department of Education the sum of \$709,000 for allocation to Save the
35 Children for in-school and after-school literacy programs.

36 2. Upon acceptance of the money appropriated by subsection 1 and
37 allocated by the Department, Save the Children shall:

38 (a) Prepare and transmit a report to the Interim Finance Committee on or
39 before December 15, 2008, that describes each expenditure made from the
40 money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was
41 received by Save the Children through December 1, 2008;

42 (b) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance Committee
43 on or before September 18, 2009, that describes each expenditure made from
44 the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money
45 was received by Save the Children through June 30, 2009; and

46 (c) Upon request of the Legislative Commission, make available to the
47 Legislative Auditor any of the books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers or
48 other records of information, confidential or otherwise, of Save the Children,
49 regardless of their form or location, that the Legislative Auditor deems
50 necessary to conduct an audit of the use of the money appropriated pursuant
51 to subsection 1.

52 3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1
53 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to

1 which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the
2 appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any
3 portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any
4 purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
5 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or
6 transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before
7 September 18, 2009.

8 **Sec. 7.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to
9 the Department of Education to provide signing bonuses to teachers of
10 students who are deaf or hard of hearing who are newly hired by school
11 districts:

12 For the Fiscal Year 2007-2008.....\$5,000

13 For the Fiscal Year 2008-2009.....\$5,000

14 2. A newly hired teacher of students who are deaf or hard of hearing may
15 not receive a signing bonus pursuant to this section until he has taught for a
16 school district in this State for at least 30 days. A teacher of students who are
17 deaf or hard of hearing may receive this bonus in addition to any other
18 bonuses available for newly hired teachers. A teacher of students who are deaf
19 or hard of hearing who teaches for a school district in this State before July 1,
20 2007, and who subsequently transfers to another school district in this State is
21 not eligible to receive a signing bonus pursuant to this section.

22 3. A school district that wishes to provide signing bonuses to its newly
23 hired teachers of students who are deaf or hard of hearing shall submit
24 information to the Department of Education, in a format prescribed by the
25 Department, concerning the number of newly hired teachers of students who
26 are deaf or hard of hearing for each fiscal year.

27 4. The Department of Education shall use the money appropriated by
28 subsection 1 to provide signing bonuses to newly hired teachers of students
29 who are deaf or hard of hearing for each fiscal year. The Department shall
30 analyze the total number of newly hired teachers of students who are deaf or
31 hard of hearing submitted by school districts pursuant to subsection 3 and
32 determine the total amount of each signing bonus for each fiscal year. The
33 amount of a bonus paid to each teacher must not exceed \$1,000.

34 5. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at
35 the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure
36 after June 30 of the respective fiscal years by the entity to which the
37 appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is
38 granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the
39 appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after
40 September 19, 2008, and September 18, 2009, respectively, by either the entity
41 to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was
42 subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State
43 General Fund on or before September 19, 2008, and September 18, 2009,
44 respectively.

45 **Sec. 8.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to
46 the Department of Education for distribution to school districts for training
47 stipends to teachers of students who are deaf or hard of hearing and
48 interpreters for students who are deaf or hard of hearing who are engaged in
49 college or university course work in the education of students who are deaf or
50 hard of hearing:

51 For the Fiscal Year 2007-2008.....\$37,500

52 For the Fiscal Year 2008-2009.....\$37,500

2. A school district that wishes to provide training stipends to teachers of and interpreters for students who are deaf or hard of hearing shall submit information to the Department of Education, in a format prescribed by the Department, concerning the number of teachers of or interpreters for students who are deaf or hard of hearing who are engaged in college or university course work in the education of students who are deaf or hard of hearing for each fiscal year.

3. The Department of Education shall use the money appropriated by subsection 1 to pay training stipends to teachers of or interpreters for students who are deaf or hard of hearing. The Department shall analyze the total number of teachers of or interpreters for students who are deaf or hard of hearing submitted by school districts pursuant to subsection 2 and determine the total number and amount of training stipends to be awarded each fiscal year. The amount of a stipend paid to each teacher or interpreter must not exceed \$500. The number of teachers who receive stipends pursuant to this section must not exceed 50 for each fiscal year. The number of interpreters who receive stipends pursuant to this section must not exceed 25 for each fiscal year.

4. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal years by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 19, 2008, and September 18, 2009, respectively, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 19, 2008, and September 18, 2009, respectively.

Sec. 9. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair to be held May 8 through 15, 2009, in Reno, the sum of \$200,000.

2. Upon acceptance of the money appropriated by subsection 1, the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair shall:

(a) Prepare and transmit a report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before December 15, 2008, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Fair through December 1, 2008;

(b) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before September 18, 2009, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Fair through June 30, 2009; and

(c) Upon request of the Legislative Commission, make available to the Legislative Auditor any of the books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers or other records of information, confidential or otherwise, of the Fair regardless of their form or location, that the Legislative Auditor deems necessary to conduct an audit of the use of the money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1.

3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any

1 purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
2 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or
3 transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before
4 September 18, 2009.

5 *Sec. 10.* 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund
6 to the Department of Education the sum of \$273,000 for distribution to school
7 districts to establish a pilot program in accordance with this section.

8 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1
9 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to
10 which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the
11 appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any
12 portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any
13 purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was
14 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or
15 transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before
16 September 18, 2009.

17 3. The Department of Education shall:

18 (a) Prescribe the form for an application to develop a magnet or regional
19 elementary school pilot program for students who are deaf or hard of hearing;

20 (b) Prescribe the criteria for selection of a partnership between one or
21 more school districts in counties whose population is less than 100,000 and that
22 do not offer magnet or regional programs at the elementary level for students
23 who are deaf or hard of hearing and a Deaf Studies program at an institution
24 of the Nevada System of Higher Education to establish a pilot program; and

25 (c) Develop a uniform method for evaluation of the pilot program that
26 provides a longitudinal analysis of statistical data.

27 4. A partnership between one or more school districts and the Deaf
28 Studies program at an institution of the Nevada System of Higher Education
29 that wishes to establish a pilot program pursuant to this section shall:

30 (a) On or before October 1, 2007, submit to the Department of Education
31 an application on the form prescribed by the Department pursuant to
32 subsection 3; and

33 (b) Agree to participate in the longitudinal evaluation of the pilot program
34 developed by the Department pursuant to subsection 3.

35 5. An application submitted pursuant to subsection 2 must contain a plan
36 for a pilot program. Such a plan must:

37 (a) Contain a budget for the 2007-2008 school year that expends not more
38 than \$5,000 of the money appropriated by this section to be used for the
39 planning of the program and the surveying of parents and guardians of
40 elementary age children who are deaf or hard of hearing to determine interest
41 in a regional or magnet program.

42 (b) Contain a budget for the 2008-2009 school year with estimated costs
43 for the transportation of students and estimated costs for additional school
44 district personnel to implement the program, limited to not more than one
45 teacher, two interpreters or aides and one speech pathologist.

46 (c) Set forth a plan for identifying the school to host the magnet or
47 regional program and for transporting elementary school students who are
48 deaf or hard of hearing to the host school.

49 (d) Set forth a plan for utilizing faculty and student assistance and any
50 other resources available from the affiliated Deaf Studies program at an
51 institution of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

52 6. If the Department of Education approves an application submitted by
53 a partnership pursuant to subsections 4 and 5 to establish a pilot program, the

1 Department shall provide to the partnership on or before December 1, 2007, a
2 grant from the money appropriated by this section for the implementation of
3 that program based on the budgets submitted pursuant to subsection 5.

4 7. The school districts participating in a pilot program pursuant to this
5 section:

6 (a) Are responsible for all costs associated with the building, maintenance,
7 utilities, administration and supplies for this pilot program.

8 (b) Shall submit an evaluation of the pilot program on or before
9 November 1, 2008, to the Department of Education in a format required by the
10 Department.

11 8. On or before February 1, 2009, the Department of Education shall
12 submit a report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for
13 transmission to the 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature. The report must
14 include, without limitation:

15 (a) An evaluation of the pilot program, including, without limitation, the
16 effect of the program on the academic achievement of the pupils enrolled in
17 the program; and

18 (b) Any recommendations for legislation relating to the pilot program.

19 *Sec. 11.* This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.