

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 211—ASSEMBLYMEN MUNFORD; AIZLEY,
BUCKLEY, CLABORN, DENIS, GOEDHART, HOGAN, HORNE,
KOIVISTO, MASTROLUCA, MORTENSON, PIERCE,
SEGERBLOM, SETTELMEYER AND STEWART

FEBRUARY 23, 2009

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Makes various changes concerning the meetings of
boards of trustees of school districts. (BDR 34-144)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
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 education; requiring the boards of trustees of school districts to carry out certain actions requested by the general public under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 This bill requires the board of trustees of a school district to take action on
2 certain matters submitted by a member of the general public. If the board of trustees
3 does not take action within 60 days after the request is made, the board of trustees
4 is required to issue a written explanation setting forth the reasons for declining to
5 take the requested action and provide the requester with the name and contact
6 information of an employee or office of the school district which is qualified to
7 assist the requester.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 386 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 ***1. A person may request that the board of trustees of a school
4 district consider and take action on a matter within the jurisdiction
5 of the board by submitting the request to the board at a public
6 meeting of the board, including an oral request submitted during a
7 period of the meeting devoted to comments by the general public.***



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1 **2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the board**
2 **of trustees of a school district shall carry out each request for**
3 **action submitted to the board pursuant to subsection 1. If the**
4 **board of trustees declines to carry out a request for action**
5 **submitted pursuant to subsection 1 within 60 days after the request**
6 **is submitted, the board shall:**

7 **(a) Issue a written explanation during a regularly scheduled**
8 **public meeting of the board setting forth the specific reasons for**
9 **declining to take the requested action; and**

10 **(b) Provide the requester with a written notice setting forth the**
11 **specific reasons for declining to take the requested action and**
12 **the name and contact information of an employee or office of the**
13 **school district which is qualified to assist the requester in the topic**
14 **area of his request.**

15 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.

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