

SENATE BILL NO. 135—SENATOR COFFIN

FEBRUARY 12, 2009

Referred to Committee on Health and Education

SUMMARY—Requires pupils enrolled in certain grades in public schools to wear school uniforms. (BDR 34-662)

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 adopt a policy requiring pupils enrolled in kindergarten through grade 3 to wear school uniforms; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 Existing law authorizes the boards of trustees of school districts to establish a
2 policy that requires pupils in all grades to wear school uniforms. (NRS 392.458)
3 This bill requires the boards of trustees to establish and enforce a policy that
4 requires pupils enrolled in kindergarten through grade 3 to wear school uniforms
5 and maintains the authority for the boards of trustees to adopt such a policy for all
6 other grade levels.

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

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 392.458 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 392.458 1. *The board of trustees of each school district*
3 *shall, in consultation with the elementary schools within the*
4 *district, parents and legal guardians of pupils who are enrolled in*
5 *elementary schools in the district, and associations and*
6 *organizations representing licensed educational personnel within*
7 *the district, establish and enforce a policy that requires pupils*
8 *enrolled in kindergarten through grade 3 to wear school uniforms.*
9 2. The board of trustees of a school district may, in
10 consultation with the schools within the district, parents and legal
11 guardians of pupils who are enrolled in the district, and associations



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1 and organizations representing licensed educational personnel
2 within the district, establish *and enforce* a policy that requires
3 pupils *enrolled in any grade level for grades 4 to 12, inclusive*, to
4 wear school uniforms.

5 ~~{2. The}~~

6 3. A policy *established pursuant to this section* must:

7 (a) Describe the uniforms ~~{1}~~, *including, without limitation, the*
8 *permissible variations in the uniforms taking into account the*
9 *variations of weather and temperature in the district;*

10 (b) Designate which pupils must wear the uniforms; and

11 (c) Designate the hours or events during which the uniforms
12 must be worn.

13 ~~{3. If the}~~

14 4. *The* board of trustees of ~~{a}~~ *each* school district ~~{establishes~~
15 ~~a policy that requires pupils to wear school uniforms, the board}~~
16 shall facilitate the acquisition of school uniforms for pupils *who are*
17 *required to wear uniforms pursuant to a policy adopted pursuant*
18 *to this section and* whose parents or legal guardians request
19 financial assistance to purchase the uniforms.

20 ~~{4.}~~ 5. The board of trustees of a school district may establish
21 a dress code enforceable during school hours for the teachers and
22 other personnel employed by the board of trustees.

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

