

**Amendment No. 621**

Senate Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 498

(BDR 34-1174)

**Proposed by:** Senate Committee on Education**Amends:** Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

ASSEMBLY ACTION		Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION		Initial and Date
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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 underlining*** is newly added transitory language.

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Date: 5/18/2011

A.B. No. 498—Eliminates the requirement for the administration of norm-referenced examinations in public schools. (BDR 34-1174)

## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 498—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(ON BEHALF OF THE DIVISION OF BUDGET AND PLANNING)

MARCH 28, 2011

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

**SUMMARY**—~~Eliminates~~ Suspends temporarily the requirement for the administration of norm-referenced examinations in public schools. (BDR 34-1174)

**FISCAL NOTE:** Effect on Local Government: No.  
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.

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AN ACT relating to education; eliminating suspending temporarily the requirement for the administration of norm-referenced examinations in public schools; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law requires the board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each charter school to administer norm-referenced examinations in grades 4, 7 and 10 which compare the results of pupils enrolled in those grades in public schools in this State to a national reference group of pupils. (NRS 389.015) Senate Bill No. 416 of the 2009 Legislative Session suspended temporarily the administration of the norm-referenced examinations for the 2009-2011 biennium. (Chapter 423, Statutes of Nevada 2009, p. 2340) This bill ~~eliminates the statutory requirement for again suspends temporarily~~ the administration of the norm-referenced examinations ~~and revises existing law to delete references to the norm referenced examinations,~~ for the 2011-2013 biennium.

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

1      **Section 1. (Deleted by amendment.)**

2      Sec. 2. (Deleted by amendment.)

3      Sec. 3. (Deleted by amendment.)

4      Sec. 4. (Deleted by amendment.)

5      Sec. 5. (Deleted by amendment.)

6      Sec. 6. (Deleted by amendment.)

7      Sec. 7. (Deleted by amendment.)

8      Sec. 7.5. Notwithstanding the provisions of NRS 389.015 to the contrary, the norm-referenced examinations required to be administered to pupils enrolled in grades 4, 7 and 10 pursuant to that section must not be administered in the public schools of this State during the 2011-2012 school

1       year and the 2012-2013 school year. Any requirements relating to the  
2       reporting of test scores of pupils on those examinations that would otherwise  
3       be administered during those school years are also suspended.

4       Sec. 8. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

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**TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION**

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389.640 Establishment of statewide program for preparation of pupils to take examinations; compliance with program required of school districts and schools; use of additional materials and information.

1. The Department shall establish a statewide program for use by schools and school districts in their preparation for the examinations that are administered pursuant to NRS 389.015, excluding the high school proficiency examination. The program must:

(a) Be designed to ensure the consistency and uniformity of all materials and other information used in the preparation for the examinations; and

(b) Be designed to ensure that the actual examinations administered pursuant to NRS 389.015 are not included within the materials and other information used for preparation.

2. If a school, including, without limitation, a charter school, or a school district provides preparation for the examinations that are administered pursuant to NRS 389.015, excluding the high school proficiency examination, the school or school district shall comply with the program established pursuant to subsection 1. A school district may use and provide additional materials and information if the materials and information comply with the program established by the Department. A school, including, without limitation, a charter school, shall use only those materials and information that have been approved or provided by the Department or the school district.]