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## Office of the Governor

June 16, 2011

The Honorable Ross Miller  
Secretary of State  
Capitol Building  
101 South Carson Street  
Carson City, NV 89701

**RE: Assembly Bill 137 of the 76<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session**

Dear Secretary Miller:

I am herewith forwarding to you, for filing within the constitutional time limit and without my approval, Assembly Bill 137, which is entitled:

AN ACT relating to education; requiring the implementation of a school breakfast program at certain public schools; requiring the Department of Education to report on the school breakfast program for each public school; requiring school districts to report on school nutrition programs; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assembly Bill 137 requires the implementation of a school breakfast program at any public school, including a charter school, that is eligible to operate a program of nutrition in accordance with federal regulations. Where a school breakfast program is implemented, the school must serve breakfast free of charge to all students and must serve breakfast after the school day starts in the following order of priority: (1) the classroom; (2) a transportable manner; or (3) the cafeteria. The bill also requires the Department of Education and board of trustees of each school district, on a biennial basis, to prepare written reports related to the school breakfast program and other nutrition programs.

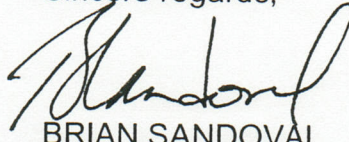
The importance of providing nourishment to students who arrive at school without breakfast cannot be overlooked. To that end, the boards of trustees of school districts and governing boards of charter schools are authorized under existing law to operate or provide for the operation of nutrition programs in their schools. This includes the type of school breakfast program that Assembly Bill 137 would require at all eligible schools.



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I am confident that school districts and charter schools are currently capable of determining how best to administer nutrition programs for their students. I cannot support Assembly Bill 137. Therefore, I veto it and return it to you without my signature and without my approval.

Sincere regards,



BRIAN SANDOVAL  
Governor

*Enclosure*

cc:     *The Honorable Brian Krolicki, President of the Senate (without enclosure)*  
          *David A. Byerman, Secretary of the Senate (without enclosure)*  
          *Susan Furlong, Chief Clerk of the Assembly (without enclosure)*  
          *Brenda Erdoes, Esq., Legislative Counsel (without enclosure)*