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AN ACT relating to education; clarifying the rights of pupils at public schools regarding the free exercise of religion and freedom of expression; requiring the governing body of each public school to adopt a policy providing a grievance process for pupils claiming that those rights have been violated; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Section 2 of this bill clarifies that pupils at public schools are entitled to express themselves in a manner consistent with the rights guaranteed by the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution, provided that such expression does not disrupt instruction at a public school, is not used to bully or intimidate any person and is not organized, broadcast or endorsed by the public school. **Section 2** also requires the board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each charter school and university school for profoundly gifted pupils to adopt a grievance policy prescribing procedures for the resolution of a complaint that the rights described in **section 2** have been violated.

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

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

Section 1. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 2. Chapter 388 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. Each pupil of a public school, including, without limitation, each pupil of a university school for profoundly gifted pupils, is entitled to express himself or herself in a manner consistent with the rights guaranteed by the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the United States Constitution.

2. Any expression described in subsection 1 must not be disruptive of instruction at a public school, including, without limitation, a university school for profoundly gifted pupils, must not be used to bully or intimidate any person and must not be organized, broadcast or endorsed by a public school, including, without limitation, a university school for profoundly gifted pupils.

3. The board of trustees of each school district, the governing body of each charter school and the governing body of each university school for profoundly gifted pupils must adopt a policy prescribing procedures for the resolution of a complaint by a pupil of the school district, charter school or university school for



profoundly gifted pupils that the rights of the pupil described in subsection 1 have been violated. The policy required by this subsection may be part of a comprehensive discrimination grievance policy of the school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils or may be a separate policy.

Sec. 3. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.

