

Amendment No. 155

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 194	(BDR 38-862)
<b>Proposed by:</b> Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services	
<b>Amends:</b> Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes	

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added 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 proposed to be retained in this amendment.





ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 194—ASSEMBLYMEN TOLLES, ROBERTS; CARRILLO, GORELOW, HANSEN, HARDY, KRASNER, LEAVITT, NGUYEN, SPIEGEL, THOMPSON AND TITUS

FEBRUARY 18, 2019

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS SEEVERS GANSERT,  
KIECKHEFER, SPEARMAN; AND PICKARD

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the ~~membership of the~~ Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council. (BDR 38-862)

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.

AN ACT relating to children; revising the membership of the Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council; requiring the Council to annually submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law establishes the Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council and sets forth the minimum membership of the Council, who are required to be appointed by the Governor. The Governor is authorized to appoint such additional members to the Council as the Governor determines are necessary. (NRS 432A.076) ~~[This]~~ Section 1 of this bill requires that the membership of the Council include a member who is a representative of the pediatric mental, physical or behavioral health care industry. Section 1 also requires the Council to annually submit a report to the Governor and to the Legislature, which must include a summary of the activities of the Council and any recommendations for improvements to the early childhood system in this State.

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

**Section 1.** NRS 432A.076 is hereby amended to read as follows:

432A.076 1. The Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council is hereby established as the state advisory council on early childhood education and care required to be established pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 9837b(b)(1)(A)(i). The membership of the Council must be appointed by the Governor and include, without limitation:

1 (a) One member who is a representative of the Division of Public and  
2 Behavioral Health of the Department whose duties include responsibility for child  
3 care;

4 (b) One member who is a representative of the Department of Education;

5 (c) One member who is a representative of the Department of Education whose  
6 duties include responsibilities for programs under section 619 or part C of the  
7 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 et seq.;

8 (d) One member who is a representative of the boards of trustees of the school  
9 districts in this State;

10 (e) One member who is a representative of the Nevada System of Higher  
11 Education;

12 (f) One member who is a representative of local providers of early childhood  
13 education and developmental services;

14 (g) One member who is a representative of Head Start agencies in this State,  
15 including, without limitation, migrant and seasonal Head Start programs and Indian  
16 Head Start programs;

17 (h) One member who is appointed or designated pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §  
18 9837b(a)(3)(A);

19 (i) One member who is a representative of the Aging and Disability Services  
20 Division of the Department;

21 (j) One member who is a representative of a nonprofit organization located in  
22 southern Nevada that provides early childhood education programs;

23 (k) One member who is a representative of a nonprofit organization located in  
24 northern Nevada that provides early childhood education programs; ~~and~~

25 (l) *One member who is a representative of the pediatric mental, physical or*  
26 *behavioral health care industry; and*

27 (m) Such other members as the Governor determines are appropriate.

28 2. The Council shall:

29 (a) Work to strengthen state-level coordination and collaboration among the  
30 various sectors and settings of early childhood education programs.

31 (b) Conduct periodic statewide assessments of needs relating to the quality and  
32 availability of programs and services for children who are in early childhood  
33 education programs.

34 (c) Identify opportunities for and barriers to coordination and collaboration  
35 among early childhood education programs funded in whole or in part by the  
36 Federal Government, the State or a local government.

37 (d) Develop recommendations for:

38 (1) Increasing the participation of children in early childhood education  
39 programs funded in whole or in part by the Federal Government, the State or a local  
40 government, including, without limitation, providing information on such programs  
41 to underrepresented and special populations;

42 (2) The establishment or improvement of core elements of the early  
43 childhood system in this State, including, without limitation, a statewide unified  
44 system for collecting data relating to early childhood education programs;

45 (3) A statewide professional development system for teachers engaged in  
46 early childhood education; and

47 (4) The establishment of statewide standards for early childhood education  
48 programs in this State.

49 (e) Assess the capacity and effectiveness of institutions of higher education in  
50 this State in developing teachers in the field of early childhood education.

51 (f) Establish, in cooperation with the State Board of Education, guidelines for  
52 evaluating the school readiness of children. The guidelines must:

53 (1) Be based on national school readiness indicators;

(2) Address the following components of school readiness:

- (I) Physical and developmental health;
- (II) Social and emotional development;
- (III) Approaches to learning;
- (IV) Language and early literacy development; and
- (V) Cognition and general knowledge.

(g) Develop recommendations for increasing parental involvement and family engagement in early childhood education programs.

(h) Perform such other duties relating to early childhood education programs as designated by the Governor.

3. On or before December 1 of each year, the Council shall submit a report to the Governor and to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislative Committee on Health Care and the Legislative Committee on Education, if the report is received during an odd-numbered year, or to the next session of the Legislature, if the report is received during an even-numbered year. The report must include, without limitation, a summary of the activities of the Council and any recommendations for improvements to the early childhood system in this State.

4. The Council may accept gifts, grants and donations from any source for the support of the Council in carrying out the provisions of this section.

**Sec. 1.5. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.**

**Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.