

SENATE BILL NO. 226—SENATORS FARLEY, HARDY,
WOODHOUSE, HARRIS; AND ATKINSON

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Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to education.
(BDR 34-790)

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 education; authorizing a professional organization of teachers to provide professional development training to teachers and administrators; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law authorizes a board of trustees or a superintendent of schools of a
2 school district to convene educational conferences for professional development for
3 teachers and administrators employed by the school district. (NRS 391.298) This
4 bill authorizes a board of trustees of a school district to enter into an agreement
5 with a professional organization of teachers in this State to provide professional
6 development training to the teachers and administrators employed by the school
7 district, including the training offered at such educational conferences.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 391 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. The board of trustees of a school district may enter into an*
4 *agreement with a professional organization of teachers in this*
5 *State to provide training programs for professional development to*
6 *the teachers and administrators employed by the school district.*

7 *2. Any professional development training that is provided by*
8 *a professional organization pursuant to subsection 1 must:*

9 *(a) Be conducted in consultation with the school district;*



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1 ***(b) Be consistent with the statewide performance evaluation***
2 ***system adopted by the State Board pursuant to NRS 391.465; and***

3 ***(c) Include the activities set forth in 20 U.S.C. § 7801(34), as***
4 ***deemed appropriate by the board of trustees for the type of***
5 ***training offered.***

6 **Sec. 2.** NRS 391.298 is hereby amended to read as follows:

7 391.298 If the board of trustees of a school district or the
8 superintendent of schools of a school district schedules a day or
9 days for the professional development of teachers or administrators
10 employed by the school district:

11 1. The primary focus of that scheduled professional
12 development must be to improve the achievement of the pupils
13 enrolled in the school district, as set forth in the plan to improve the
14 achievement of pupils prepared pursuant to NRS 385.357.

15 2. The scheduled professional development must be structured
16 so that teachers attend professional development that is designed for
17 the specific subject areas or grades taught by those teachers.

18 ***3. The scheduled professional development may be provided***
19 ***by a professional organization of teachers in this State pursuant to***
20 ***section 1 of this act.***

21 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.

