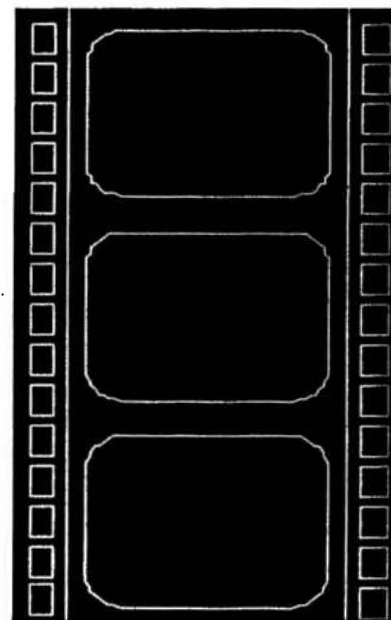
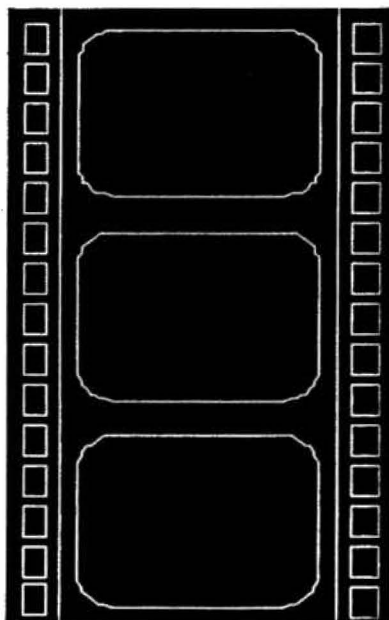
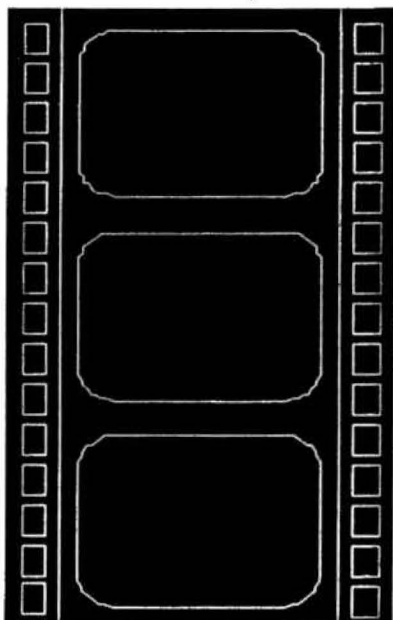


SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

A.B. 371



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Assemblyman John M. Vergiel
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Carson City, Nevada

Dear Mr. Vergiel:

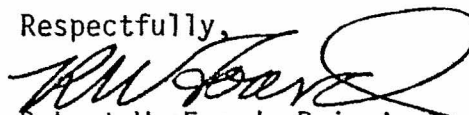
Concern is being expressed by the secondary school administrators of the Reno-Sparks and neighboring districts in regard to A.B. 371 which would restructure the present Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (N.I.A.A.).

The proponent of A.B. 371 states that the changes proposed will place the secondary principal in a better position of providing input to the N.I.A.A. than under the present structure. It should be noted that A.B. 371 establishes a dual set of policy boards, one consisting of a representative of each county and the other apportioned to reflect the approximate student population - the present structure does much the same - but neither of these new policy boards provide any guarantee for the secondary principal, who is "in the middle of the action" and most knowledgeable as to the needs as related to interscholastic activities, to be a part of the policy making/regulatory procedure. The present structure of the N.I.A.A. provides for a Board of Control as one of its two policy/regulatory boards. The membership on this Board of Control is elected by the principals of member schools within the Administrative Districts as established and provides the individual schools throughout the state with direct input to the Board through their elected representatives.

Regardless of certain views that have been publicly expressed by those not fully knowledgeable with the present operation of the N.I.A.A., important positive advancements have been made in the Association since the restructuring that took place following legislative action in 1973 (NRS 386.420). The county school district trustees through the Legislative Commission composed of the seventeen county superintendents, do retain their proper position of policy making, veto power, and appeals.

It would be our hope that the schools and school districts would be able to continue with their interscholastic activity programs based upon the present structure. In our discussions throughout this section of the state we do not find either members of Boards of Trustees or superintendents desiring to become directly involved in the "nitty-gritty" of the management of interscholastic activities but would rather have this handled, within the policies established by them, at the school and principal's level.

Respectfully,



Robert W. Foard, Principal

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