Amendment No. 1022

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Amend sec. 17, page 19, by deleting lines 36 and 37 and inserting: "involvement accords to be used by all public schools in this State. The". Amend sec. 17, page 19, line 38, after "educational" by inserting "involvement".	
Amend sec. 17, page 20, by deleting lines 35 through 41 and inserting:	
"3. Each educational involvement accord must be accompanied by, without limitation:	
(a) Information describing how the parent or legal guardian may contact the pupil's	
teacher and the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled;	
(b) The curriculum of the course or standards for the grade in which the pupil is	
enrolled, as applicable, including, without limitation, a calendar that indicates the dates of	
major examinations and the due dates of significant projects, if those dates are known by	
the teacher at the time that the information is distributed;	

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- (c) The homework and grading policies of the pupil's teacher or school;
- (d) Directions for finding resource materials for the course or grade in which the pupil is enrolled, as applicable;
- (e) Suggestions for parents and legal guardians to assist pupils in their schoolwork at home;
- (f) The dates of scheduled conferences between teachers or administrators and the parents or legal guardians of the pupil;
- (g) The manner in which reports of the pupil's progress will be delivered to the parent or legal guardian and how a parent or legal guardian may request a report of progress;
 - (h) The classroom rules and policies;
 - (i) The dress code of the school, if any;
- (j) The availability of assistance to parents who have limited proficiency in the English language;
- (k) Information describing the availability of free and reduced-price meals, including, without limitation, information regarding school breakfast, school lunch and summer meal programs;
- (l) Opportunities for parents and legal guardians to become involved in the education of their children and to volunteer for the school or class; and
- (m) The code of honor relating to cheating prescribed pursuant to section 17.5 of this act.

- 4. The board of trustees of each school district shall adopt a policy providing for the development and distribution of the educational involvement accord. The policy adopted by a board of trustees must require each classroom teacher to:
- (a) Distribute the educational involvement accord to the parent or legal guardian of each pupil in his class at the beginning of each school year or upon a pupil's enrollment in the class, as applicable; and
- (b) Provide the parent or legal guardian with a reasonable opportunity to sign the educational involvement accord.".

Amend sec. 17, page 20, line 42, by deleting "4." and inserting "5.".

Amend sec. 17, pages 20 and 21, by deleting line 45 on page 20 and line 1 on page 21 and inserting:

"involvement accord of each public school in the school district. The board of trustees of a".

Amend sec. 17, page 21, line 6, by deleting "5." and inserting "6.".

Amend the bill as a whole by adding a new section designated sec. 17.5, following sec. 17, to read as follows:

"Sec. 17.5. 1. The Department shall prescribe by regulation a written policy that establishes a code of honor for pupils relating to cheating on examinations and course work. The policy must be developed in consultation with the boards of trustees of school districts, the governing bodies of charter schools, educational personnel employed by school districts and charter schools, and local associations and organizations of parents whose children are enrolled in public schools throughout this State.

- 2. The policy must include, without limitation, a definition of cheating that clearly and concisely informs pupils which acts constitute cheating for purposes of the code of honor.
 - 3. On or before July 1 of each year, the Department shall:
- (a) Provide a copy of the code of honor to the board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each charter school.
 - (b) Review and amend the code of honor as necessary.
- 4. Copies of the code of honor must be made available for inspection at each public school located within a school district, including, without limitation, each charter school, in an area on the grounds of the school that is open to the public.".

Amend the title of the bill by deleting the fifth through eighth lines and inserting: "accountability; requiring the Department of Education to prescribe an educational involvement accord for use in all public schools; requiring the Department of Education to prescribe a code of honor relating to cheating; and providing other matters properly relating".

If this amendment is adopted, the Legislative

Counsel's Digest will be changed to read as follows:

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law establishes the statewide system of accountability for public education in this State. (NRS 385.3455-385.391)

This bill requires the Department of Education to establish a monitoring system for the statewide system of accountability. The monitoring system must be capable of identifying any inconsistencies in the results of the examinations that are administered for a comparison to a national reference group of pupils with the results of the examinations that measure progress on the State's academic standards.

Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to provide to the board of trustees of each school district a memorandum every year that describes the newly enacted legislation that affects the public schools and pupils. (NRS 385.210)

This bill requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to distribute the memorandum to the governing body of each charter school as well as the board of trustees of each school district.

This bill requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to prepare an addendum to the memorandum when any statute that affects the public schools and pupils is enacted during a special session of the Legislature that concludes after July 1.

Existing law requires the State Board of Education, the board of trustees of each school district and the principal of each public school to prepare an annual plan to improve the achievement of pupils. (NRS 385.34691, 385.348, 385.357)

This bill requires each plan for improvement to describe the curriculum that will be used to improve pupil achievement as well as a budget of the overall cost for carrying out the plan. In addition, the plan for improvement prepared by a school district must include an identification of programs, practices and strategies that have proven effective in improving pupil achievement.

Existing law establishes four regional training programs for the professional development of teachers and administrators and prescribes the governance and duties of the training programs. (NRS 391.500-391.556) The governing body of each regional training program is required to appoint a coordinator for the program. (NRS 391.532)

This bill requires the governing body of each regional training program to employ or otherwise contract with a coordinator for the program and to establish his compensation.

Existing law requires the State Board of Education to adopt a policy to encourage effective parental involvement in support of the education of children. (NRS 392.457)

This bill requires the Department of Education to prescribe a form for an educational involvement accord that complies with the parental involvement policy adopted by the State Board for use in all public schools in this State.

This bill also requires the Department of Education to prescribe a code of honor relating to cheating.