
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 278—ASSEMBLYMEN MUNFORD, DIAZ; ELLIOT ANDERSON, PAUL ANDERSON, BENITEZ-THOMPSON, COHEN, DALY, EISEN, FIORE, HEALEY, HICKEY, HOGAN, KIRKPATRICK, MARTIN, NEAL, OHRENSCHALL, STEWART AND SWANK

MARCH 15, 2013

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS SEGERBLOM, SPEARMAN;
GOICOECHEA, MANENDO, PARKS AND WOODHOUSE

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Enacts provisions related to multicultural education.
(BDR 34-512)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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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; requiring the State Board of Education to adopt a program of multicultural education for certain pupils; requiring certain licensed teachers to complete a course in multicultural education for renewal of their license; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 **Section 1** of this bill requires the State Board of Education to adopt a program
2 of multicultural education and requires the board of trustees of each school district
3 to ensure that the program is provided to pupils enrolled in grades 2 through 12.
4 **Section 2** of this bill requires a licensed teacher who submits an application for
5 renewal of his or her license on or after January 1, 2015, to submit proof of the
6 completion of a course in multicultural education unless the teacher has previously
7 completed such a course. **Section 2** also requires the Commission on Professional
8 Standards in Education to prescribe the contents and credits required for such a
9 course in multicultural education.



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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 389 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 1. *The State Board shall adopt regulations that prescribe a*
4 *program of multicultural education, including, without limitation,*
5 *information relating to the contributions made by men and women*
6 *from various racial and ethnic backgrounds.*

7 2. *The board of trustees of each school district shall ensure*
8 *that the program prescribed pursuant to subsection 1 is provided*
9 *to pupils enrolled in grades 2 to 12, inclusive, with particular*
10 *emphasis for pupils enrolled in elementary school, middle school*
11 *and junior high school.*

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

14 1. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a licensed*
15 *teacher who submits an application for renewal of his or her*
16 *license to teach on or after January 1, 2015, shall submit with the*
17 *application proof of the completion of a course in multicultural*
18 *education.*

19 2. *A licensed teacher is not required to submit proof of the*
20 *completion of a course in multicultural education pursuant to*
21 *subsection 1 if the teacher has previously completed such a course*
22 *and filed proof of the completion with the Superintendent of*
23 *Public Instruction.*

24 3. *The Commission shall adopt regulations:*

25 (a) *That prescribe the required contents of a course in*
26 *multicultural education which must be completed pursuant to this*
27 *section;*

28 (b) *That prescribe the number of credits which must be earned*
29 *by the licensed teacher in a course in multicultural education; and*

30 (c) *As otherwise necessary to carry out the requirements of this*
31 *section.*

32 **Sec. 3.** On or before January 1, 2014, the Commission on
33 Professional Standards in Education shall adopt regulations to carry
34 out the provisions of section 2 of this act.

35 **Sec. 4.** The provisions of section 2 of this act apply to each
36 licensed teacher in this State, regardless of the date on which his or
37 her initial license was issued.

38 **Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

