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**Assembly Committee on Education**

This measure may be considered for action during today's work session.

**ASSEMBLY BILL 497**

**Revises provisions relating to education. (BDR 34-706)**

**Sponsored By:** Assemblywoman Bilbray-Axelrod  
**Date Heard:** May 16, 2023  
**Fiscal Notes:** Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.  
Effect on the State: No.  
  
CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE

Assembly Bill 497 authorizes a pupil to attend a public school outside the zone of attendance the pupil would otherwise be required to attend, if that school is not at capacity in the grade or classes required by the pupil. The bill further requires the superintendent of each school district to establish an application process to enable such pupil transfers and outlines certain details of the process. Finally, the bill specifies that a board of trustees that furnishes certain pupil transportation may elect not to provide transportation to pupils who attend a public school outside the pupil's zone of attendance.

**Amendments:** Two amendments were proposed for this measure.

1. Assemblywoman Bilbray-Axelrod submitted an amendment clarifying that the State Board of Education will oversee the application and open enrollment plans established by the school district.
2. Assemblywoman Bilbray-Axelrod proposed an amendment specifying that school districts may accept gifts and grants to carry out the provisions of this bill. Additionally, the proposed amendment adds Assemblywoman Mosca as a cosponsor.

## **AB 497**

### **Proposed Conceptual Amendment Language**

Clarify “Department” in Sec. 2 (3)(c) refers to the Nevada Department of Education.

ADD: Sec. 2 (3) a requirement for the State Board of Education to establish regulations providing further parameters for open enrollment plans established by the school district.