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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 187—ASSEMBLYMEN KASAMA,  
HANSEN AND KOENIG

FEBRUARY 20, 2023

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Prohibits certain instruction in public schools.  
(BDR 34-565)

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.

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AN ACT relating to education; prohibiting a program of instruction using the three-cueing system model of reading for certain public school and charter school pupils; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law creates the State Education Fund for the purpose of supporting the  
2 operation of the public schools in this State and identifies the sources of revenue for  
3 the Fund. (NRS 387.1212) Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public  
4 Instruction, on or before the first day of each month, to apportion the State  
5 Education Fund among the county school districts, charter schools and university  
6 schools for profoundly gifted pupils in amounts approximating one-twelfth of their  
7 respective yearly apportionments less any amount set aside as a reserve or  
8 contained in the Education Stabilization Account. (NRS 387.124) This bill  
9 prohibits a public school district or charter school from using a program of  
10 instruction for pupils in kindergarten through grade 2 that is based in any practice  
11 or intervention program utilizing: (1) the three-cueing system model of reading  
12 based on meaning, structure and syntax and visual; or (2) visual memory as the  
13 primary basis for teaching word recognition. If the Superintendent finds that one or  
14 more classes in a school district or charter school are using such a prohibited  
15 program of instruction, this bill requires the Superintendent to notify the school  
16 district or charter school of the violation. If the school district or charter school fails  
17 to remedy the violation within 60 days, this bill requires the Superintendent, with  
18 the approval of the State Board of Education, to withhold from the monthly  
19 apportionment to the school district or charter school an amount equal to 10 percent  
20 of the apportionment otherwise payable to the school district or charter school. This  
21 bill requires that any amount withheld from a school district or charter school be  
22 retained in the State Education Fund and paid to the school district or charter school  
23 after the violation has been remedied.



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

1       **Section 1.** Chapter 388 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3       1. *A school district or charter school shall not use a program*  
4 *of instruction for pupils in kindergarten or grade 1 or 2 that is*  
5 *based in any practice or intervention program that utilizes:*

6       (a) *The three-cueing system model of reading based on*  
7 *meaning, structure and syntax and visual, which is also known as*  
8 *“MSV”;* or

9       (b) *Visual memory as the primary basis for teaching word*  
10 *recognition.*

11       2. *If the Superintendent of Public Instruction finds that one*  
12 *or more classes in a school district or charter school are being*  
13 *taught in violation of this section, the Superintendent of Public*  
14 *Instruction shall notify the school district or charter school of the*  
15 *violation.*

16       3. *If a school district or charter school fails to remedy the*  
17 *violation within 60 days after receiving the notification pursuant*  
18 *to subsection 2, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall,*  
19 *with the approval of the State Board, withhold from each*  
20 *apportionment made to the school district or charter school*  
21 *pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 of NRS 387.124 an amount equal to*  
22 *10 percent of the total apportionment otherwise payable to the*  
23 *school district or charter school. Any amount withheld pursuant to*  
24 *this subsection must be accounted for separately in the State*  
25 *Education Fund and must be carried forward to the next fiscal*  
26 *year.*

27       4. *If, after an amount is withheld pursuant to subsection 3,*  
28 *the Superintendent of Public Instruction determines that the*  
29 *school district or charter school has remedied any violation*  
30 *pursuant to this section, the Superintendent of Public Instruction*  
31 *shall immediately authorize the payment of the amount withheld*  
32 *to the school district or charter school pursuant to subsection 3.*

33       **Sec. 2.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and  
34 approval.

35       2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective:

36       (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
37 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
38 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

39       (b) On July 1, 2024, for all other purposes.

