

SENATE BILL NO. 119—SENATOR FORD

PREFILED FEBRUARY 13, 2017

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Provides immunity from civil liability to certain volunteers who serve on an organizational team established by the principal of a public school as part of the reorganization of the school district. (BDR 34-322)

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; providing immunity from civil liability to certain volunteers who serve on an organizational team established by the principal of a public school as part of the reorganization of the school district; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Existing law provides certain immunity from civil liability to the officers and  
2 employees of this State and its agencies and political subdivisions, including,  
3 without limitation, school districts and charter schools. (NRS 41.032, 41.0335)  
4 Existing law further provides immunity from civil liability to certain volunteers.  
5 (NRS 41.485, 41.507) This bill provides immunity from civil liability to a volunteer  
6 member of an organizational team established by the principal of a public school as  
7 part of the reorganization of a school district for any damages caused by certain  
8 acts or omissions of the volunteer member of the organizational team, another  
9 volunteer member or the organizational team itself. **Section 2** of this bill makes this  
10 immunity apply retroactively.

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

1       **Section 1.** Chapter 386 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3       1. *If the principal of a public school establishes an*  
4 *organizational team as part of the reorganization of the school*  
5 *district in which the public school is located to assist in the*  
6 *development of a plan of operation for the public school or to*  
7 *provide other assistance and advice relating to the school, except*  
8 *as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the organizational team and*  
9 *its volunteer members are immune from liability for civil damages*  
10 *as a result of an act or omission in performing the following*  
11 *duties:*

12       (a) *Providing assistance and advice to the principal of the*  
13 *school regarding the development of the plan of operation for the*  
14 *school;*

15       (b) *Providing continued assistance and advice to the principal*  
16 *of the school in carrying out the plan of operation for the school;*

17       (c) *Establishing a list of qualifications for the principal of the*  
18 *school and assisting with the selection of the next principal if a*  
19 *vacancy occurs;*

20       (d) *Providing input regarding the principal to the*  
21 *superintendent or his or her designee;*

22       (e) *Recommending candidates for the position of principal to*  
23 *the superintendent;*

24       (f) *Reviewing the plan of operation for the school and making*  
25 *recommendations for revisions to the plan; and*

26       (g) *Requesting the superintendent or his or her designee to*  
27 *revise the plan of operation for the school submitted by the*  
28 *principal.*

29       2. *This section does not restrict the liability of a public school*  
30 *or a school district for an act or omission of an organizational*  
31 *team or its volunteer members in performing the duties described*  
32 *in subsection 1.*

33       **Sec. 2.** The provisions of this act apply to any act or omission  
34 that occurs before, on or after the effective date of this act.

35       **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

