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By way of introduction, Nevada Homeschool Network (NHN) has advocated for Nevada families who have chosen to direct the education of their children since 2002.

Whereas, the mission of NHN is to advocate for the parental right to direct the education of their child, free from governmental oversight; and

Whereas, NHN believes that it is the duty of our government officials to be accountable to tax payers for money spent, and this governmental oversight includes auditing, the purchase of government approved materials, and performance based outcomes that meet state educational standards; and

Whereas, the term "homeschool" is legally defined in Nevada whereby parents take full responsibility for the education of the child, without provision of governmental services or materials; and

Whereas, homeschooling is an alternative to government controlled school choice; and

Whereas, NHN is concerned that alternative education funding programs intending to benefit a student with a government controlled "choice in education" will jeopardize homeschool autonomy from government oversight; now, therefore,

NHN is opposed to adoption of any alternative education program in this state that utilizes taxpayer funding, either directly or indirectly, on behalf of a child who is being homeschooled pursuant to NRS 392.070, including government controlled voucher programs and Education Savings Accounts.

NHN supports Scholarship Organization plans that do not utilize or require governmental funding or control.

Signed,



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What about homeschools and

Vouchers? No, government regulations always accompany vouchers.

http://www.hslda.org/docs/nche/Issues/S/State_Vouchers.asp

Education Savings Accounts? May benefit homeschooling but must follow federal law.

<http://www.hslda.org/docs/news/201003190.asp>

http://www.hslda.org/docs/nche/Issues/T/Tax_Ed_Savings.asp

<http://www.finweb.com/financial-planning/education-savings-accounts-compared-1.html#axzz3P8KZq8DO>

Scholarship Organization? There are favorable Scholarship Organization Laws in a few states.

<http://www.hslda.org/hs/state/nh/201304110.asp>

<http://www.cato.org/blog/another-winn-educational-freedom-new-hampshire>