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NEVADA

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Nevada Senate Legislative Building 401 S. Carson St., Carson City, NV 89701

RE: SB 314 - Provides that the right of parents to make choices regarding the upbringing, education and care of their children is a fundamental right. (BDR 11-880)

Dear Senators Atkinson, Brower, Cegavske, Denis, Ford, Goicoechea, Gustavson, Hammond, Hardy, Hutchinson, Jones, Kieckhefer, Kihuen, Mandendo, Parks, Roberson, Segerblom, Settlemeyer, Smith, Spearman, and Woodhouse;

ParentalRights.org/NEVADA is a group of Nevadans dedicated to preserving the fundamental right of parents to make decisions for their children. SB 314, a bill that would codify "the liberty of parents to direct the upbringing, education, and care of their children is a *fundamental* right", received a unanimous Do Pass vote from the Senate Judiciary Committee on April 12th. We are writing today to ask that you vote yes on SB 314.

Currently Nevada parents must rely on the courts, citing federal and state court precedent, to preserve their fundamental right to make decisions for their children. By codifying this fundamental right in state law, courts will be able to decide cases against this solid benchmark instead of having to rely on court ideologies that can shift over time.

SB 314 is a non-partisan issue historically supported by both parties. To provide you with more information on the merits of the bill please review the attached Question & Answer pamphlet, *The Right of Parents to Raise Their Child.* This pamphlet asks and answers 16 important questions. In addition, attached is the written testimony of Scott A. Woodruff, Esq. of ParentalRights.org who testified on behalf of the bill at the hearing (both also available on NELIS).

We appreciate the opportunity to lobby for this bill on behalf of its sponsor, and we will endeavor to answer any questions that you may have. Please feel free to contact any of the ParentalRights.org/ NEVADA Legislative Liaisons should you have further questions. Thank you for your consideration in this matter and again, please **VOTE YES on SB 314.**

Sincerely.

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