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**NEVADA STATE TREASURER CALLS ON GOVERNOR TO ADD ESA FUNDING
TO SPECIAL SESSION AGENDA**

Carson City, NV – Responding to the Nevada Supreme Court’s decision in the ESA cases, Nevada State Treasurer Dan Schwartz said, “we are very pleased that the Court decided the ESA statute is not an impermissible use of public funds for sectarian purposes; and, is consistent with the Constitution’s broad grant of authority to the Legislature to maintain a uniform public school system.”

“But, the Treasurer’s Office would stop short of calling the ruling a ‘landmark decision’. It is clearly a step in the right direction for Nevada families. However, if our Office can’t distribute funds to the 8,000 applicants, then all the discussion on ESA’s constitutionality is for naught. Assuming the Court is sincere in its ruling that the ESA program is constitutional and that the only obstacle is the legislation’s failure to address the funding source, the problem is clearly fixable. Accordingly, we will ask the Governor to add ESA funding to the agenda for the upcoming special session.”

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