

Assembly Bill No. 216–Assemblymen Tolles, Thompson, Leavitt, Kramer; Assefa, Backus, Bilbray-Axelrod, Carrillo, Duran, Fumo, Gorelow, Hafen, Hardy, Munk, Nguyen and Yeager

Joint Sponsors: Senators Hardy; Pickard
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AN ACT relating to higher education; requiring the State Treasurer to establish a database of information relating to sources of funding for higher education; requiring the Attorney General to establish a program to connect victims of certain crimes with the database; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

The Nevada Constitution requires the State Treasurer to perform such duties as may be prescribed by law. (Nev. Const. Art. 5, § 22) This bill requires the State Treasurer to establish a statewide database containing information relating to sources of funding for higher education. This bill requires the database to include certain information about each source of funding listed in the database. This bill further requires the State Treasurer to make the database publicly available on its Internet website and to establish certain means of communication to disseminate and explain the information in the database. This bill also requires the Attorney General to establish a program to connect victims of domestic violence and human trafficking with the information contained in the database. Finally, this bill authorizes both the State Treasurer and the Attorney General to accept any gift, donation, bequest, grant or other source of money to establish and maintain the database and program.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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

Section 1. Chapter 226 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The State Treasurer shall create and maintain a statewide database of sources of financial assistance for persons pursuing higher education.

2. The database must include, without limitation:

(a) A list of any program, scholarship, grant, student loan or other form of financial assistance for individuals seeking to pursue higher education.

(b) The contact information of each person or entity responsible for the administration of each program, scholarship,



grant, student loan or other form of financial assistance listed in the database; and

(c) The demographic requirements, if any, including, without limitation, age, race and ethnicity, household size, employment status or household income, for participation in each program, scholarship, grant, student loan or other form of financial assistance listed in the database.

3. The State Treasurer:

(a) Shall make the database publicly available on an Internet website maintained by the State Treasurer.

(b) Shall establish a toll-free telephone number and a means of electronic communication via the Internet website to assist in the dissemination and explanation of the information contained in the database and any other information regarding sources of financial assistance for pursuing higher education.

(c) May employ such staff as the State Treasurer deems necessary to maintain, support and promote the use of the database.

(d) May accept any gift, donation, bequest, grant or other source of money for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this section.

4. The Attorney General shall establish a program to market and conduct outreach to victims of domestic violence or human trafficking to connect such victims with the information contained in the database maintained by the State Treasurer pursuant to this section. The Attorney General may accept any gift, donation, bequest, grant or other source of money for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.

