Senate Bill No. 328–Senators Settelmeyer; Goicoechea and Gustavson

Joint Sponsors: Assemblymen Grady, Hickey and Kirkpatrick

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to education; requiring the Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education to appoint a person to oversee programs of career and technical education; setting forth limitations on the use of state money for leadership and training activities relating to programs of career and technical education; setting forth the methods by which the state money must be distributed to programs of and pupil organizations for career and technical education; making various other changes relating to programs of career and technical education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law establishes the State Board for Career and Technical Education to oversee programs of career and technical education in the public schools of this State. (NRS 388.330-388.370) Existing law also requires the board of trustees of each school district in a county whose population is 100,000 or more (currently Clark and Washoe Counties), and authorizes the board of trustees of any other school district, to establish and maintain a program of career and technical education to provide instruction in subjects approved by the Board. (NRS 388.380) This bill specifies the manner in which certain federal and state money may be allocated and for what purposes the money may be used.

Section 3 of this bill provides that not more than 7.5 percent of any state money appropriated for use in a fiscal year may be used by the Board to provide leadership and training activities. Section 3 also provides that, before the allocation of any state money to provide leadership and training activities: (1) 30 percent of the state money must be distributed through the grant process set forth in section 4 of this bill; and (2) 5 percent of the state money must be distributed to pupil organizations for career and technical education through the grant process set forth in section 4.5 of this bill. The remainder of the state money must be distributed through the grant process set forth in section 5 of this bill.

Section 3 requires the Board to request that each industry sector council established pursuant to NRS 232.935 name one representative to make recommendations to the Executive Officer of the Board on the awarding of grants through the process set forth in section 4.

Section 7 of this bill provides that any state money that is not distributed pursuant to sections 3-5 does not revert to the State General Fund.

Section 2 of this bill requires the Executive Officer to appoint a person to oversee programs of career and technical education.

Section 8 of this bill requires the program professional designated by the Board to evaluate the effectiveness of the programs of career and technical education that received a grant and report that information to the Board.



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 388 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 2. The Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall appoint a person to oversee programs of career and technical education.

Sec. 3. 1. Of state money appropriated for use in a fiscal year for programs of career and technical education, the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall not use more than 7.5 percent to provide leadership and training activities in that fiscal year.

2. Before allocating state money, if any, to provide leadership and training activities, the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall:

(a) Distribute 30 percent of the state money in the manner set forth in section 4 of this act; and

(b) Distribute 5 percent of the state money to pupil organizations for career and technical education in the manner set forth in section 4.5 of this act.

3. After distributing the state money pursuant to subsection 2 and allocating state money, if any, to provide leadership and training activities, the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall distribute the remainder of state money in the manner set forth in section 5 of this act.

4. The State Board for Career and Technical Education shall request that each industry sector council established pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 232.935 name one representative to provide recommendations to the Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education on the awarding of grants pursuant to section 4 of this act.

5. As used in this section, "leadership and training activities" means:

(a) Activities by or for pupil organizations for career and technical education;

(b) Training activities for teachers of classes or programs of career and technical education;

(c) Activities at or for a conference of teachers of classes or programs of career and technical education;



(d) Promotion and marketing of classes or programs of career and technical education; and

(e) The development of standards and assessments of career and technical education for the purposes of leadership and training.

Sec. 4. 1. The board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school may apply to the State Board for Career and Technical Education for a grant for a program of career and technical education, to be paid for with money distributed pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of section 3 of this act, by submitting an application to the person appointed pursuant to section 2 of this act.

2. Upon receipt of an application for a grant, the person shall forward the application to each representative of an industry sector council named pursuant to subsection 4 of section 3 of this act to review the application.

3. The Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall review the recommendations of the representatives of the industry sector councils and award grants for the purposes of developing new programs of career and technical education or expanding existing programs of career and technical education. The awarding of grants must be based on the following criteria of the program of career and technical education:

- (a) Standards and instruction.
- (b) Leadership development.
- (c) Practical application of occupational skills.
- (d) Quality and competence of personnel.
- (e) Facilities, equipment and materials.
- (f) Community, business and industry involvement.
- (g) Career guidance.
- (h) Program promotion.
- (i) Program accountability and planning.
- (j) Pupil-teacher ratio.

(k) Whether the program will lead to a national credential or certification.

Sec. 4.5. 1. A pupil organization for career and technical education may apply to the State Board for Career and Technical Education for a grant to support the activities of the organization, to be paid for with the money distributed pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of section 3 of this act.



2. The State Board for Career and Technical Education shall review all applications submitted pursuant to subsection 1 and award grants to pupil organizations on a fair and equitable basis.

Sec. 5. 1. The board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school may apply to the State Board for Career and Technical Education for a grant for a program of career and technical education, to be paid for from the remainder of state money described in subsection 3 of section 3 of this act.

2. The State Board for Career and Technical Education shall review all applications submitted pursuant to subsection 1 and award grants based on the following criteria of the program of career and technical education:

(a) Standards and instruction.

(b) Leadership development.

(c) Practical application of occupational skills.

(d) Quality and competence of personnel.

(e) Facilities, equipment and materials.

(f) Community, business and industry involvement.

(g) Career guidance.

(h) Program promotion.

(i) Program accountability and planning.

(j) Pupil-teacher ratio.

(k) Whether the program will lead to a national credential or certification.

3. The proportion of the total amount awarded pursuant to subsection 2 to a school district or charter school during a fiscal year must not exceed the proportion of the duplicated enrollment of pupils in programs of career and technical education in the school district or charter school during the previous fiscal year, as compared to the duplicated enrollments of pupils in programs of career and technical education throughout the State during the previous fiscal year. For the purposes of determining the duplicated enrollment of pupils in a program of career and technical education, each pupil must be counted once for each program of career and technical education in which he or she is enrolled.

Sec. 6. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 7. Any state money that is not distributed or allocated pursuant to sections 3 to 5, inclusive of this act by the end of the fiscal year does not revert to the State General Fund and must be carried forward for distribution in the following fiscal year.



Sec. 8. For each grant of money awarded pursuant to section 4, 4.5 or 5 of this act, the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall designate a program professional to:

1. Evaluate the manner in which the money was expended and the effectiveness of the program for career and technical education for which the money was granted; and

2. Report the results of the review to the State Board for Career and Technical Education.

Sec. 9. NRS 388.340 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.340 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall serve as Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education.

2. The Executive Officer shall:

(a) [Employ] Except as otherwise provided in section 2 of this act, employ personnel for such positions as are approved by the State Board for Career and Technical Education and necessary to carry out properly the provisions of this title relating to career and technical education.

(b) Carry into effect the regulations of the State Board for Career and Technical Education.

(c) Maintain an office for the Board.

(d) Keep all records of the Board in the office of the Board.

Sec. 10. NRS 388.390 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.390 If the board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school organizes a program of career and technical education in accordance with the regulations adopted by the State Board for Career and Technical Education and the program has been approved by the Executive Officer of the Board, the school district or the charter school is entitled to share in federal and state money available for the promotion of career and technical education in the amount determined by the Executive Officer of the Board, in accordance with *this section and sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act, and* the regulations and policies of the Board.

Sec. 11. NRS 388.400 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.400 1. The money for career and technical education must be provided for and raised in the manner specified in NRS 387.050 and 388.330 to 388.400, inclusive [-], and sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act.

2. The State Treasurer is the custodian of the money and shall make disbursements therefrom on warrants of the State Controller issued upon the order of the Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education.



Sec. 12. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

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