

NEVADA YOUTH LEGISLATURE: ANNUAL REPORT 2022–2023



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INTRODUCTION

The Nevada Youth Legislature (NYL) was created in 2007, with the passage of Senate Bill 247, to provide the youth of Nevada an opportunity to become engaged in government and inspire them to become involved citizens. Its membership, powers, and duties are codified in *Nevada Revised Statutes* ([NRS 219A.130](#) through [219A.210](#)). Further, [NRS 219A.220](#) authorizes the NYL to submit one bill draft request (BDR) on or before December 1 preceding the commencement of a regular session of the Legislature.

The NYL is comprised of 21 Youth Legislators appointed by their Senators. Each Youth Legislator serves a term of two years. The 2021–2023 Term began on June 1, 2021, and concludes on May 31, 2023.

Pursuant to Section 6 of NRS 219A.210, on or before May 30 of each year, the NYL shall submit a written report to the Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit to Administer the NYL (NYL Board) ([NRS 219A.300](#)) and the Governor describing the activities of the NYL and any recommendations for legislation.

The following is a report on the second year of the 2021–2023 Term. It is submitted by Youth Legislator Patrick Donn Dimasin, Chair of the NYL during 2022–2023, and it was prepared by the Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB). The Research Division provides objective policy analysis, research, and assistance to the Nevada Legislature—its members, committees, and constituents.

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

The second year of the Nevada Youth Legislature's (NYL) 2021–2023 Term concludes on May 31, and these past 12 months have demonstrated a bright future for Nevada. Reviewing this year provides a powerful opportunity for Youth Legislators to appreciate their potential to serve countless communities now and in the future. The Coronavirus Disease of 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic has made this term the most unique experience in the NYL's 16-year history. Youth Legislators, distinctively representing their own Senate districts, were called to public service with the challenge of managing this responsibility, virtually and in person. Even though the pandemic filled this term with uncertainty, without a doubt, the NYL maintained its successful standing.

The midterm training was held in Carson City, from August 3 to 4, 2022, where Youth Legislators learned: legislative skills; bill development, from ideas to drafting (including legislative intent, germaneness, precise language, and fiscal impacts) to advocacy; procedures and protocols for committee hearings and floor sessions; and more.

Prior to the [September 21, 2022](#), meeting, Youth Legislators were asked to submit one bill draft request (BDR) proposal for consideration by the NYL to Senator Valerie Wiener (Ret.), Chair of the Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit to Administer the NYL (NYL Board); their appointing Senator and Assembly Members in their legislative districts; and Tina Ashdown, NYL Program Facilitator, Constituent Services Unit, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB). Of the 21 Youth Legislators, 19 submitted BDR proposals for consideration by the NYL. During the September meeting, each Youth Legislator was tasked with providing a two-minute presentation that advocated for their BDR proposal, followed by a three-minute question-and-answer period with NYL colleagues. The NYL then voted to narrow their possibilities to seven BDR proposals.

At the [October 20, 2022](#), meeting, Youth Legislators were asked to narrow the seven BDR proposals to their top two BDR proposals. The two final BDR proposals included: BDR 4, which would create a pathway for children in the juvenile justice system to attend community college, and BDR 17, which would revise provisions regarding return to play policies for injured student athletes, as well as create newly required provisions regarding return to learn policies for all students who experienced concussions or traumatic brain injuries. Following this selection, Youth Legislators participated in a training on testifying before a public decision-making body, as well as crafting and distributing an outreach recruitment letter or video.

During the [November 15, 2022](#), meeting, Youth Legislators eagerly learned more about the two top BDR choices during a full legislative hearing on each. Three expert witnesses testified on BDR 4. Three expert witness, plus other affected witnesses, testified on BDR 17. After comprehensive consideration and inquiry with the witnesses, the NYL selected BDR 17 for introduction, as the NYL's one statutorily provided bill during the 2023 Session of the Nevada Legislature.

At the [January 19, 2023](#), meeting, the NYL met and worked with the Legal Division of the LCB to review the final draft of their bill. Following a vote of approval for their BDR language, Youth Legislators participated in a training on how to advocate for this measure during the legislative session. Elected Legislators and NYL alumni mentor-trainers provided expertise for this training.

[Senate Bill 80](#) was prefiled on January 26, 2023. After the introduction of SB 80, the NYL heard from a variety of interested parties, who offered suggestions for refining the language of the bill. However, the NYL did not have the opportunity to meet as a body to discuss or vote on anything beyond what was included in the original bill.

Prior to NYL Day at the Nevada Legislature on March 15, 2023, Youth Legislators were asked to submit written testimony supporting the NYL bill to Senator Wiener, their appointing Senator and Assembly Members in their legislative districts, and Tina Ashdown. During NYL Day, Youth Legislator Stella Thornton, the original proponent of the NYL measure, and I testified before the Senate Committee on Education. I presented the history and perspective of how the NYL processed SB 80. Youth Legislator Thornton explained SB 80, including its legislative intent, its impact on Nevada students, and benefits of its passage. We both clarified that we were not in the position to speak on behalf of the NYL regarding any proposed changes, though we could provide our own testimonies, as individual Youth Legislators, in support of SB 80. Lastly, we answered questions and shared input as individual Youth Legislators. Six additional Youth Legislators offered profound support for SB 80 through written testimony submitted to the Committee. Senate Bill 80 was passed by the Senate Committee on Education during its meeting on April 5, 2023. The Senate passed SB 80 (14 Yeas, 6 Nays, 1 Excused) on April 17, 2023.

Youth Legislator Thornton testified before the Assembly Committee on Education on May 4, 2023. Following the hearing, Committee members proposed an amendment. The Committee voted unanimously on May 18, 2023, to amend and do pass SB 80 as amended. Senate Bill 80, First Reprint, was then passed by the full Assembly on May 26, 2023. The Senate concurred with the Assembly's amended version of SB 80 on May 30, 2023. Senate Bill 80 was then sent to the Governor for signature.

In addition to the official NYL bill, Youth Legislator Max Grinstein sought a sponsor for his own BDR proposal, which would create a pilot program to provide children free phone calls with an incarcerated parent. Senate Bill 234 was introduced by Senator Melanie Scheible, Chair of the Senate Committee on Judiciary. It was heard by the Senate Committee on Judiciary on March 24, 2023, and passed, as amended, by the Committee on April 5, 2023. After a re-referral to the Senate Committee on Finance, SB 234, as amended, was passed by the Committee on May 25, 2023, and passed by the Senate on that same day (20 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Excused). On May 26, 2023, SB 234 was introduced in the Assembly and referred to the Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor. It was heard by the Committee on May 31, 2023.

Transitioning from an entirely virtual year, 2021–2022, to an in-person year, 2022–2023, contributed to a transformative experience that nobody will forget. Youth Legislators have expressed that the NYL has given them the opportunity to become politically and socially active by communicating with Nevada State Legislators and community members. The NYL program has given Youth Legislators the opportunity to work, hand in hand, with our youngest

constituents. This has allowed Nevada youth to have a voice and make contributions to their own communities, even during a pandemic.

The NYL appreciates and thanks all Senators, Assembly Members, NYL alumni mentor-trainers, LCB staff, NYL Board members, and others who have dedicated their invaluable time to support the NYL. The NYL also greatly appreciates the Broadcast and Production Services, Administrative Division, LCB, for working tirelessly to ensure that the NYL could meet and maximize their virtual meetings and trainings. Lastly, the NYL wants to express great gratitude to the Legal Division for their tireless assistance with the entire bill development process.

Submitted by:

Youth Legislator Patrick Donn Dimasin, Chair
Nevada Youth Legislature, 2022–2023

MEETINGS, TRAININGS, AND ASSIGNMENTS

The NYL held seven meetings and nine trainings during the 2021–2023 Term. In addition, it provided several other optional opportunities for trainings and conversations. Lastly, the NYL required seven mandatory assignments.

The following is information on the meetings, trainings, and assignments that were scheduled during the second year of the 2021–2023 Term. Each meeting, training, and assignment had a primary focus as follows:

- **Midterm Training: Bill Development and Processing**—August 3 to 4, 2022

The NYL Midterm Training, which was held in Carson City, focused on BDR development and the legislative process. Senator Wiener welcomed the Youth Legislators, and former Youth Legislators presented an overview of the second year of the 2021–2023 NYL Term. Following this, the Youth Legislators attended a luncheon presentation about lobbying, and then the Legal Division informed Youth Legislators about the development of a BDR, answered several significant questions, and provided insights that would help Youth Legislators craft their own BDR proposals as meticulously as possible.

Senator Wiener, Nevada Legislators, and NYL alumni mentor-trainers provided invaluable input about bill ideas, development, and advocacy. Youth Legislators participated in activities to process bill ideas, and they attended and participated in mock hearings involving Legislators. Continuing their education about the legislative process, Youth Legislators fully participated in a mock floor session, seated at their appointing Senator’s desk, during which they discussed and voted on the bills that had been heard in the mock hearings.

- **Assignment Deadline: BDR Proposals**—August 20, 2022

All Youth Legislators were required to submit their BDR proposal by August 20, 2022. Prior to submission, Youth Legislators were also encouraged to contact the Legal Division to ask questions about legality, wording, possible fiscal impact, germaneness, and/or any other concerns regarding their BDRs.

- **Meeting: Presenting and Narrowing BDRs from 19 to 7**—[September 21, 2022](#)

Each Youth Legislator was allocated a total of nine minutes to make their presentation and respond to questions from their NYL colleagues. Youth Legislators presented their BDRs (see Attachment A) and explained how their measures would benefit Nevada’s youth. Due to his excused absence, Youth Legislator Moss’s testimony was read into the record by Chair Dimasin.

After hearing the presentations, Youth Legislators were allowed the opportunity to cosponsor one other measure. The following BDRs received cosponsors:

- BDR 3: Youth Legislators Price and Thornton;
- BDR 4: Youth Legislator Bhatnagar;

- BDR 5: Youth Legislator Krieger;
- BDR 6: Vice Chair Lyle and Youth Legislators Raugust and Seddon;
- BDR 11: Youth Legislators Lara and Miller;
- BDR 12: Youth Legislators Bentham and Kington;
- BDR 14: Youth Legislator Boulware;
- BDR 16: Youth Legislators Grinstein and Wong;
- BDR 17: Youth Legislators Macababbad, Thurgood, and Walker; and
- BDR 18: Chair Dimasin.

Each Youth Legislator voted for three BDRs during roll call. Based on the final tally, BDRs 1, 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, and 17 were selected to proceed to the October 2022 meeting for further NYL consideration. Senator Wiener urged Youth Legislators, whose measures were not selected, to reach out to their Legislators to encourage these elected officials to consider introducing and advocating for their BDR.

- **Meeting: Narrowing BDRs from Seven to Two—[October 20, 2022](#)**

Youth Legislators participated in a second round of presentations and question-and-answer discussions for the seven BDRs selected in September. Each Youth Legislator voted for one BDR among the seven. Bill Draft Request 4, submitted by Youth Legislator Emmalee Craver, and BDR 17, submitted by Youth Legislator Thornton, received the most votes to be considered at the November NYL meeting.

Again, Senator Wiener urged Youth Legislators whose bills were not selected as one of the two finalist BDRs to reach out to their Legislators and encourage these elected officials to consider introducing and advocating for their BDR.

- **Training: Public Testimony and Outreach Recruitment—October 20, 2022**

Following the selection of the top two BDRs, Senator Wiener provided training and complementary materials designed to assist Youth Legislators with their upcoming testimony before a public decision-making body.

- **Meeting: Selection of the 2023 NYL BDR—[November 15, 2022](#)**

Youth Legislator Craver gave her presentation on BDR 4, which would provide a pathway for youth in juvenile justice facilities to participate in community college education. In addition to Youth Legislator Craver, the following witnesses provided testimony:

- Maria Alvarez, Chief of Staff for California Assembly Member Kevin McCarty;
- Brandon Fellows, former student, Re-Emerging Scholars Program, Sacramento City College; and
- Brigid Duffy, Assistant District Attorney, Juvenile Division, Office of the Clark County District Attorney.

Youth Legislator Thornton gave her presentation on BDR 17, which would expand school policies relating to procedures, trainings, and practices beyond the current return to play for injured student athletes. This measure, creating a return to learn policy, would embrace all students who experience a concussion or traumatic brain injury.

The following witnesses also provided supportive testimony:

- Nicholas Murray, Ph.D., M.A., Director of the Neuromechanics Laboratory, University of Nevada, Reno;
- Frank Sakelarios, teacher, Carson High School (CHS);
- Adam Hunsaker, head athletic trainer and teacher, CHS;
- Julie Koop, teacher, CHS;
- Sabrina Martin, Nevada resident; and
- Rebecca Martin, Nevada resident.

A roll call vote determined that BDR 17 would be the NYL’s BDR for 2023. Senator Wiener praised Youth Legislators for their profound engagement in the entire process of selecting the NYL’s BDR for 2023.

- **Assignment Deadline: Testimony Before a Public Decision-Making Body Plan**—November 19, 2022

Youth Legislators were required to submit a plan for their own testimony before a public decision-making body to Senator Wiener, their appointing Senator and Assembly Members in their district, and Tina Ashdown.

- **Assignment Deadline: NYL Outreach Recruitment Letter or Video**—December 10, 2022

Youth Legislators submitted an outreach recruitment letter or video, which they created to encourage Nevada youth to apply for appointment to the NYL. Each Youth Legislator provided at least one organization outside their own schools to which the letter or video would be communicated. These letters provide essential endorsements of support for NYL recruitment efforts because Youth Legislators are the most powerful voices for the NYL program.

- **Optional Activity: NYL Gathering and Training, Carson City**—January 11, 2023

This activity was cancelled due to inclement weather conditions.

- **Optional Activity: NYL Gathering and Training, Las Vegas**—January 12, 2023

Approximately 25 people attended the NYL Gathering and Training from 2:30 to 4 p.m. The training activity, “Cultivating Conversation Skills,” energetically engaged Youth Legislators, Legislators, and NYL alumni.

- **Meeting: Finalizing NYL BDR Language and Advocacy Training**—[January 19, 2023](#)

Asher Killian, Chief Deputy Legislative Counsel, Legal Division, LCB, presented the draft language for the NYL bill to be introduced during the 2023 Legislative Session. Youth Legislators voted unanimously to support the language, as presented. They also selected Youth Legislator Moss to consult with the Nevada Association of Student Councils concerning the nomination of a student member to the State Board of Education.

- **Assignment Deadline: Testimony Before a Public Decision-Making Body Report**—February 4, 2023

Youth Legislators submitted a report about their testimony before a public decision-making body to Senator Wiener, their appointing Senator and the Assembly Members in their district, and Tina Ashdown.

- **Optional Activity: Submit Written Testimony Supporting SB 80**—March 4, 2023

Youth Legislators were encouraged to submit written testimony supporting the NYL bill, SB 80, to Senator Wiener, their appointing Senator and the Assembly Members in their district, and Tina Ashdown. Mrs. Ashdown submitted these optional written testimonies, provided by six Youth Legislators, to the Senate Committee on Education for inclusion in the hearing record.

- **Optional Activity: NYL Day at the Legislature**—March 15, 2023

Chair Dimasin, representing the NYL, and Youth Legislator Thornton, the original advocate for the NYL measure, testified before the Senate Committee on Education. Chair Dimasin described details about how the NYL processed 19 BDR proposals to eventually select SB 80 as the NYL bill for introduction. Youth Legislator Thornton explained SB 80 in-depth, focusing on the need for the bill, the intentions of the specific provisions, and the benefits of passage.

In addition to attending the Senate Committee on Education’s hearing on SB 80, Youth Legislators met with 28 Nevada Legislators throughout the day to advocate for SB 80. Youth Legislators also sat with their Senators during floor session and were honored by their Senators and the NYL with blue and silver commencement cords. Concluding the day with an NYL tradition, Youth Legislators enjoyed a carrot cake celebration of their two-year term.

- **Optional Activity: Virtual Conversation to Share Reflections of the 2021–2023 NYL Term**—April 19, 2023

Youth Legislators discussed their experiences during the 2023 Legislative Session, including the status of the NYL’s 2023 bill. They also discussed possible content for the *Nevada Youth Legislature: Annual Report, 2022–2023*, to be submitted to the Governor by Chair Dimasin. Youth Legislators were also encouraged to reflect on their entire two-year terms, including their experiences in meetings and trainings, town hall meetings, public testimonies, and other activities or opportunities.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Senate Bill 80

As discussed, the NYL chose its one legislative measure to submit to the 82nd Legislative Session through the BDR-narrowing process.

Bill Draft Request 34-549 was prefiled on January 26, 2023, and was introduced as [SB 80](#). It was sponsored by the Senate Committee on Education on behalf of the NYL. Senate Bill 80 proposed to revise provisions relating to the prevention and treatment of injuries to the head.

Senate Bill 80 was heard in the Senate Committee on Education on March 15, 2023. Chair Dimasin, representing the NYL, and Youth Legislator Thornton, the original advocate for the NYL measure, testified before the Committee. Chair Dimasin described details about how the NYL selected SB 80 as their bill for introduction. Youth Legislator Thornton explained SB 80 in-depth, focusing on the need for the bill, the intentions of the specific provisions, and the benefits of passage.

Senate Bill 80 was passed by the Senate Committee on Education during its April 6, 2023, meeting and was referred to the Nevada Senate. The full Senate passed SB 80 (14 Yeas, 6 Nays, 1 Excused) on April 17, 2023.

On May 4, 2023, Tina Ashdown and Youth Legislator Thornton testified before the Assembly Committee on Education. Mrs. Ashdown provided the Committee with background information about how the NYL selected its one statutorily provided bill. Youth Legislator Thornton gave a presentation and answered in-depth questions posed by the Assembly Members. Following the hearing, Committee Members created an amendment.

On May 18, 2023, the Committee voted unanimously to amend and do pass SB 80 as amended. Senate Bill 80, First Reprint, was then passed by the full Assembly (40 Yeas, 0 Nays, 2 Excused) on May 26, 2023. The Senate concurred in the Assembly amendment to the bill on May 30, 2023.

Senate Bill 234

In addition to the official NYL bill, Youth Legislator Grinstein sought a sponsor for his own BDR proposal, which would create a pilot program to provide children free phone calls with an incarcerated parent. Bill Draft Request S-810 was prefiled on March 8, 2023, and was introduced by Senator Melanie Scheible, Chair of the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

[Senate Bill 234](#) was heard by the Senate Committee on Judiciary on March 24, 2023, and passed, as amended, on April 5, 2023. After a re-referral to the Senate Committee on Finance, SB 234, as amended, was passed by the Committee on May 25, 2023, and passed by the Senate on that same day (20 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Excused).

On May 26, 2023, SB 234 was introduced in the Assembly and referred to the Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor. Senate Bill 234 was heard by the Committee on May 31, 2023.

ATTACHMENT A

Bill Draft Request Proposals for the Nevada Youth Legislature 2022

Bill Draft Request Proposals for the
Nevada Youth Legislature
2022



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September 14, 2022

BDR No. Requester

BDR 1 Youth Legislator Jackson Bentham

This bill would prohibit the school day for high schools from starting before 8:30 a.m. and for middle schools from starting before 8:00 a.m.

BDR 2 Youth Legislator Devika Bhatnagar

This bill would require updated versions of online textbooks in all public school classrooms.

BDR 3 Youth Legislator Oniana Boulware

(some overlap with BDR 14)

Existing law requires the appointment of a pupil member of the State Board of Education. This bill would add a nonvoting pupil member to the board of trustees of each school district and give course credit to each such pupil.

BDR 4 Youth Legislator Emmalee Craver

This bill would create a pathway for children in the juvenile justice system to attend community college.

BDR 5 Youth Legislator Patrick Donn Dimasin

Existing law: (1) requires the board of trustees of each school district to establish a course or unit of a course concerning factual instruction on the human immunodeficiency virus, human reproductive system, related communicable diseases and sexual responsibility; and (2) allows a pupil to attend such a course or unit only with written parental consent, commonly known as “opt-in.” This bill would: (1) allow a pupil to attend such a course or unit unless the pupil’s parent refuses to consent, commonly known as “opt-out;” and (2) require the curriculum of such a course or unit to be updated and include, without information, information relating to LGBT+ issues and prevention methods other than abstinence.

BDR 6 Youth Legislator Max Grinstein

Existing law requires the Director of the Department of Corrections to: (1) deduct money from an offender’s account to repay the Department for costs relating to telephone calls made by the offender; and (2) with certain exceptions, allow an offender to maintain contact with his or her child. This bill would create a 1-year pilot program that requires the Department to allow an offender to have at least one free call of at least 30 minutes in length with each child of the offender each week.

BDR 7 Youth Legislator Dylan James Keene

This bill would require each school in a large school district to install at least 1 water refilling station for each 150 pupils enrolled in the school.

BDR 8 Youth Legislator N. Grant Kington

This bill would require each person applying for a license that authorizes the person to provide therapy to perform at least 100 supervised hours providing therapy virtually to pupils in high school.

BDR 9 Youth Legislator Madeline Krieger

(some overlap with BDRs 11, 12)

This bill would: (1) require the State Board of Education to establish a binding, minimum counselor-to-pupil ratio in public schools; (2) require a school counselor to complete at least 500 hours of a practicum, internship or field experience in school counseling; and (3) require payment of a starting bonus of 20 percent of annual income to a school counselor who contracts to remain employed as a counselor in a public school for at least 3 years.

BDR 10 Youth Legislator Michael Lara

This bill would require each public school to provide mental health services to pupils without cost to the pupil during the school day and for a reasonable period of time after the end of the school day.

BDR 11 Youth Legislator Samantha Lyle

(some overlap with BDRs 9, 12)

This bill would establish a binding, minimum ratio for school psychologists in each school district of not less than 1 school psychologist for each 1,000 pupils.

BDR 12 Youth Legislator Nicole Miller

(some overlap with BDRs 9, 11)

Existing law requires each public school to provide a plan of action based on restorative justice before expelling a pupil from school. This bill would: (1) require the State Board of Education to establish a binding, minimum number of counselors in public schools; and (2) require the referral of a pupil to a counselor when appropriate as part of such a plan of action.

BDR 13 Youth Legislator Dillon Moss

Existing law requires each school district and charter school to establish a program for dual credit. This bill would provide funding to offset the costs of dual credit courses and establish requirements relating to such funding.

BDR 14 Youth Legislator Zion Price

(some overlap with BDR 3)

Existing law requires the appointment of a pupil member of the State Board of Education. This bill would add a nonvoting pupil member to the board of trustees of each school district with a term of 2 years.

BDR 15 Youth Legislator Evan Raugust

This bill would give an employee of an employer with 10 or more employees the right to not view, respond or engage with work outside of paid hours, including, without limitation, by email, phone call, video call or text message.

BDR 16 Youth Legislator Joseph Seddon

Existing law created the Nevada Ready 21 Program to provide each pupil at a participating school with 24-hour access to a personal, portable technology device connected wirelessly to the Internet. This bill would require every public school in Nevada to provide each pupil with such a portable technology device and with reliable wireless access to the Internet.

BDR 17 Youth Legislator Stella Thornton

Existing law requires the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association and the board of trustees of each school district to adopt a policy concerning the prevention and treatment of injuries to the head which may occur during a pupil's participation in sports which includes, without limitation, provisions regarding when a pupil must be removed from the activity and may return to the activity. This bill would revise such provisions and additionally require the inclusion of provisions regarding the return of such a pupil to the classroom environment and any necessary educational supports for such a pupil, commonly known as "return to learn" policies.

BDR 18 Youth Legislator Kristal Walker

This bill would require medically accurate, age-suitable education in mental health from a trained teacher to be provided to all pupils in public school.

BDR 19 Youth Legislator Lauren Wong

This bill would require each school district to create a program to engage in partnerships with organizations to encourage the participation in STEM of pupils from underrepresented groups. Such a program could include, without limitation, providing online workshops, mentoring opportunities, internships or outreach programs to pupils from underrepresented groups.