

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
 MINUTES OF MEETING  
 MARCH 12, 1975

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

Senator Floyd R. Lamb was in the Chair.

PRESENT: Senator Floyd R. Lamb, Chairman  
 Senator James I. Gibson, Vice-Chairman  
 Senator B. Mahlon Brown  
 Senator William J. Raggio  
 Senator Warren L. Monroe

ABSENT: Senator Lee E. Walker  
 Senator Clifton Young

OTHERS: Neil Humphrey, University of Nevada System  
 William Rasmussen, University of Nevada System  
 Grant Bastian, Highway Department  
 Gene Phelps, Highway Department  
 Ken Hansen, Department of Education  
  
 Lincoln Liston, Department of Education  
 John Hawkins, Carson City District  
 Marvin Picollo, Washoe County  
 Preston Price, Esmeralda County  
 Wayne Marteney, Esmeralda County School Board  
 Darryl Monahan, Economic Development  
 Howard Barrett, Budget Director

SB 303

Mr. Neil Humphrey said this will be a 50% - 50% matching to grant dollars. Mr. Humphrey said action must be taken by March 31, 1975 in order to receive the \$35,363 (1974 Federal allocation). Mr. William Rasmussen stated the recipients will be chosen on the basis of need. Mr. Humphrey said that this is a model act that has been adopted by forty-three states, and it is a basic Federal criteria that it be managed of a single State agency. Mr. Humphrey remarked that all but \$10,000 in administrative costs will be grant matched. Mr. Rasmussen said the real need for this grant program will be for U.N.L.V. and the Community Colleges.

SB 177

Mr. Grant Bastian said this appropriation will relieve pressure on the secondary road funds, especially for rural counties. Mr. Bastian said the counties contribute on a one dollar to one dollar in kind, basis.

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Mr. Bastian remarked to Senator Brown that the amount of the appropriation reflected the increases in asphalt and steel.

Senator Raggio asked if higher requirements would have to be met, if federal funds were used. Mr. Bastian said, "You would get a lot less miles for a lot more dollars".

Mr. Bastian also discussed the proposed \$3,500,000 for the equipment and maintenance complex at Arden Interchange, Las Vegas. Senator Lamb asked how much the property was worth. Mr. Bastian said \$1.2 million.

SB 15

Mr. Ken Hansen said that Washoe County and Lyon County have traded students without tuitions; and Nye, Lincoln, and Elko County do take tuitions. Mr. Liston said that for Storey County, their taxes are spent before the student transfers, so they can't afford to pay compensation to the receiving county.

Senator Raggio asked why the money is paid by individual, and not by a net figure. Mr. Liston said that this bill would request \$200 in State Aid per pupil, and this would help the Department create an attitude with the districts not to charge in-county tuition. Mr. Liston continued, and said that some counties have some pretty high requests, and this will mean that no districts will pay any tuition at all.

Senator Raggio asked if the State would also pay transportation. Mr. Liston said the State pays 75%.

Mr. John Hawkins said that the total ADA funding to Carson City District (no capital outlay), is \$216.50 per student, and that Carson City has denied pupils from Lyon, Douglas, and Washoe Counties. Mr. Marvin Picollo said that this bill would relieve some of the inequities in the system. Mr. Preston Price said that Esmeralda County does not receive ADA, but still pays tuition and transportation. Mr. Price also said that an alternative would be to allocate ADA funds to the counties, and let them make the negotiations. Mr. Liston said ADA is given to the receiving district.

SB 151

Mr. Howard Barrett said this appropriation should be to the State Department of Education for the purchase of equipment,

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i.e., buses; and will not be used for operation or salary expenditures. Mr. Hansen said the Department supports this bill, because this allows the districts to make their own determinations.

SB 237

Mr. Preston Price said that this will mean a 17% decrease for Esmeralda County, because the district picked up fifty-five pupils and by following the formula based on enrollment count, this will mean a loss in basic support monies. Mr. Price asked that they leave Esmeralda District the way it is.

Mr. Hansen and Mr. Liston said that the Department cannot agree to violating the basic Nevada Plan. Mr. Wayne Marteney said that regardless of how the Department feels, it will still mean less money to the district, and some of the programs will have to be cut back.

SB 151

Mr. Picollo said that this appropriation will be used for buses, standby fuel systems, and food programs for the elderly.

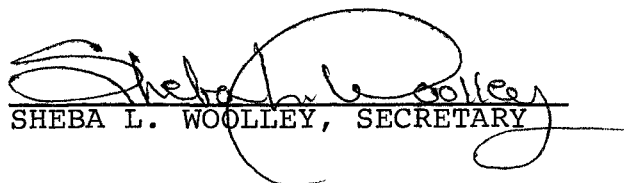
Senator Monroe asked how much Washoe County will receive. Mr. Picollo said 26% to 28% of \$1 million.

SB 180

Mr. Darryl Monahan said this to give incentive for more statewide travel, and that "saturated" advertising will be done in the rural counties.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

  
SHEBA L. WOOLLEY, SECRETARY

APPROVED:

  
FLOYD R. LAMB, CHAIRMAN

S. B. 303

## SENATE BILL NO. 303—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MARCH 5, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Establishes Nevada student incentive grant program and board and makes appropriation. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 34-1099)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to education; establishing Nevada student incentive grant program; providing requirements for the program; creating the Nevada student incentive grant program board; providing for its organization, powers, duties and functions; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 396 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act.  
3 SEC. 2. *As used in sections 3 to 6, inclusive, of this act, unless the*  
4 *context requires otherwise:*  
5 1. "Board" means the Nevada student incentive grant program board.  
6 2. "Federal act" means Title IV, Part A, Subpart 3 of the Higher  
7 Education Act of 1965, as added by P.L. 92-318 (20 U.S.C. §§ 1070c  
8 to 1070c-3, inclusive).  
9 3. "Program" means the Nevada student incentive grant program.  
10 SEC. 3. 1. There is hereby established a Nevada student incentive  
11 grant program board composed of:  
12 (a) Three persons, appointed by the board of regents of the University  
13 of Nevada, who respectively shall represent the:  
14 (1) University of Nevada, Reno;  
15 (2) University of Nevada, Las Vegas; and  
16 (3) Community college division of the University of Nevada System.  
17 (b) One person, appointed by the board of trustees of the Nevada asso-  
18 ciation of private schools, who shall represent the association.  
19 (c) One person, appointed by the governor, who shall represent the  
20 general public.  
21 2. All members shall be appointed for terms of 4 years, except:  
22 (a) The general public representative who shall be appointed for a term  
23 of 2 years.  
24 (b) When appointed to fill unexpired terms.

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**S. B. 177****SENATE BILL NO. 177—SENATOR MONROE**

FEBRUARY 11, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

**SUMMARY**—Makes appropriation from general fund in state treasury to department of highways for continuation of state-county road improvement program. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-793)

**EXPLANATION**—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT making an appropriation to the department of highways for the continuation of the state-county road improvement program; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund in
- 2 the state treasury to the department of highways the sum of \$600,000 for
- 3 the continuation of the state-county road improvement program.
- 4 SEC. 2. After June 30, 1977, the unexpended balance of the appro-
- 5 priation made by section 1 shall not be encumbered or committed for
- 6 expenditure and shall revert to the general fund in the state treasury.
- 7 SEC. 3. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

## S. B. 15

## SENATE BILL NO. 15—COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

JANUARY 22, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Subsidizes school districts that have pupils in their schools systems who reside in other school districts. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 34-240)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to school pupils; providing for the payment of a subsidy to each school district for each pupil in its school system who resides in another school district within this state; prohibiting tuition payments between school districts in Nevada; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 392 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto a new section which shall read as follows:

3 1. *The sum of \$200 shall be paid by the state department of educa-*  
4 *tion to each school district for each pupil attending school in that school*  
5 *district who resides in any other school district within the state. The*  
6 *\$200 shall be paid for each year or major portion thereof in which the*  
7 *pupil attends public school in the school district outside the county of*  
8 *his residence.*

9 2. *The state department of education shall establish the necessary*  
10 *procedure and forms for control and accountability of all payments*  
11 *made under subsection 1.*

12 SEC. 2. NRS 392.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 392.010 1. The board of trustees of any school district may, with  
14 the approval of the state department of education:

15 (a) Admit to the school or schools of the school district any pupil  
16 or pupils living in [an adjoining school district] *any other school district*  
17 within this state or in an adjoining state when the school district of  
18 residence in the adjoining state adjoins the receiving Nevada school dis-  
19 trict; or

20 (b) Pay tuition for pupils residing in the school district but who  
21 attend school in [an adjoining school district within this state or in] an  
22 adjoining state when the receiving district in the adjoining state adjoins  
23 the school district of Nevada residence.

24 [2. With the approval of the state department of education an  
25 agreement shall be entered into between the board of trustees of the  
26 school district in which the pupil or pupils reside and the board of trus-  
27 tees of the school district in which the pupil or pupils attend school,

**S. B. 151****SENATE BILL NO. 151—SENATOR BRYAN**

FEBRUARY 4, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation to state distributive school fund.  
Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-775)EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is  
material to be omitted.

AN ACT making an appropriation to the state distributive school fund for the purpose of nonrecurring capital outlays, educational projects, lease or purchase of school buses, acquisition of library books, minor construction projects and other necessary items by recipient school district.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund  
2 in the state treasury to the state distributive school fund the sum of  
3 \$1,000,000.  
4 2. The funds appropriated by subsection 1 shall be:  
5 (a) Distributed by the state department of education to the county  
6 school districts on the basis of the ratio that each county school district's  
7 1974-75 enrollment bears to the total statewide 1974-75 enrollment;  
8 and  
9 (b) Expended by the recipient school district for nonrecurring capital  
10 outlays, educational projects, lease or purchase of school buses, acquisition  
11 of library books, minor construction projects and other necessary  
12 items.  
13 3. After June 30, 1976, any unexpended balance of the appropriation  
14 made by subsection 1 shall not be encumbered or committed for expendi-  
15 ture and shall revert to the general fund in the state treasury.  
16 SEC. 2. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

**S. B. 237****SENATE BILL NO. 237—SENATOR BLAKEMORE**

FEBRUARY 20, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

**SUMMARY**—Prevents decrease in state basic support guarantee to any school district in next 2 school years. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-963)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [ ] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to state financial aid to public education; requiring that the basic support guarantee to a school district for the school years 1975-76 and 1976-77 not be less than the basic support guarantee received in the school year 1974-75; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

1 WHEREAS, The proper objective of state financial aid to public educa-  
2 tion is to insure each Nevada child a reasonably equal educational oppor-  
3 tunity; and

4 WHEREAS, The state supplements each school district to provide pro-  
5 grams of instruction in both compulsory and elective subjects that offer  
6 full opportunity for every Nevada child to receive the benefit of the pur-  
7 poses for which public schools are maintained; and

8 WHEREAS, The state's financial obligation for such programs is  
9 expressed in a formula partially on a per pupil basis and partially on a  
10 per program basis; and

11 WHEREAS, There are wide variations in wealth and costs per pupil in  
12 the various school districts; and

13 WHEREAS, The total enrollment of the Esmeralda School District has  
14 increased substantially; and

15 WHEREAS, There is a possibility that the recommended basic support  
16 guarantee for the Esmeralda School District may be reduced because of  
17 this increase in enrollment; and

18 WHEREAS, It is estimated that the Esmeralda School District basic sup-  
19 port guarantee will decrease while all other school districts will have an  
20 increase in the basic support guarantee; now, therefore,

21 *The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly,*  
22 *do enact as follows:*

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25 SECTION 1. A school district shall not receive a basic support guar-  
26 antee for the school year beginning July 1, 1975, and ending June 30,