ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 404—ASSEMBLYMEN HARDY, GIBBONS, GEDDES, ANDONOV, BEERS, CHRISTENSEN, CONKLIN, GOICOECHEA, GRADY, GRIFFIN, HETTRICK, KOIVISTO, MABEY, MANENDO, PIERCE AND WEBER

MARCH 17, 2003

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes appropriations to increase access to obstetrical and gynecological services. (BDR S-812)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included

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EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to access to health care; making appropriations to increase access to obstetrical and gynecological services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- **Section 1.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Interim Finance Committee the sum of \$500,000 to pay a portion of the operational costs of the federally qualified community health centers in this state that provide primary health care to uninsured residents of this state at reduced rates based upon the income of the resident. The money must be used to ensure that there is adequate access to obstetrical and gynecological services in this state.
- 2. A federally qualified community health center in this state may submit a request to the Interim Finance Committee to receive funding from the money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1. The request must include a proposed budget for the expenditure of the money requested.
- 3. The Interim Finance Committee shall allocate the amount it approves for expenditure to the federally qualified community



health centers in this state in approximately the same proportion as the number of patient encounters of each federally qualified community health center for which the Committee approves funding bears to the total number of patient encounters of all federally qualified community health centers for which funding is approved. The number of patient encounters used to calculate the allocation must be the number reported in the Uniform Data Set for such period as is determined appropriate by the Interim Finance Committee.

- 4. The Interim Finance Committee is not required to approve any request submitted pursuant to this section. The Committee may require such documentation and reporting by the federally qualified community health centers that receive funding as it deems necessary to ensure the productive use of the money appropriated.
- 5. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2005, and reverts to the State General Fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.
- **Sec. 2.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Nevada Health Service Corps created pursuant to NRS 396.900 the sum of \$250,000 to be used as matching money for money available from the Federal Government to repay loans on behalf of obstetricians who agree to practice in this state.
- 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2005, and reverts to the State General Fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.
 - **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.

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