
SENATE BILL NO. 190—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

FEBRUARY 21, 2003

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation for creation of certificate program and provision of stipends to certain teachers. (BDR S-894)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

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

AN ACT relating to education; making an appropriation to the Clark County School District for the creation of a certificate program by the Regional Training Program for the Professional Development of Teachers and Administrators created by that school district and to provide stipends to certain teachers who participate in the certificate 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.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State
2 General Fund to the Clark County School District the following
3 sums for the creation of a certificate program by the Regional
4 Training Program for the Professional Development of Teachers and
5 Administrators created by that school district pursuant to NRS
6 391.512 and to provide stipends to certain middle school and junior
7 high school teachers who participate in the certificate program:
8 For the fiscal year 2003-2004 \$3,700,000
9 For the fiscal year 2004-2005 \$5,780,000
10 2. The Governing Body of the Regional Training Program for
11 the Professional Development of Teachers and Administrators
12 established by the Clark County School District pursuant to NRS



1 391.512 shall create a certificate program through the Regional
2 Training Program for certain middle school and junior high school
3 teachers to receive training in the subject areas of mathematics and
4 science. The certificate program must include, without limitation,
5 training in the standards of content and performance for
6 mathematics and science established by the Council to Establish
7 Academic Standards for Public Schools pursuant to NRS 389.520
8 and on-going training in those subject areas.

9 3. From the appropriation made by subsection 1, the Board of
10 Trustees of the Clark County School District shall spend not more
11 than \$1,700,000 for the fiscal year 2003-2004 and \$1,780,000 for
12 fiscal year 2004-2005 for the creation of a certificate program
13 pursuant to subsection 2, including, without limitation, payment for
14 the course work offered by the certificate program, instructors for
15 the certificate program, administrative training, substitute teachers,
16 and materials and supplies.

17 4. A middle school or junior high school teacher who desires to
18 participate in the certificate program created pursuant to subsection
19 2 may submit an application for a stipend to the Governing Body of
20 the Regional Training Program established by the Clark County
21 School District pursuant to NRS 391.512 if the teacher does not
22 possess an endorsement in mathematics or science. Not more than
23 1,000 teachers may be selected to receive a stipend for the
24 2003-2004 fiscal year. For fiscal year 2004-2005, the Governing
25 Body shall select an additional 1,000 teachers to participate in the
26 certificate program. Within the limits of money available from the
27 appropriation made by subsection 1, the Clark County School
28 District shall pay to each teacher who successfully completes 1 year
29 in the certificate program a stipend of \$2,000. The teachers selected
30 for participation in the certificate program for the 2003-2004 fiscal
31 year who continue with the certificate program for the 2004-2005
32 fiscal year must receive another stipend of \$2,000 for the 2004-2005
33 fiscal year.

34 5. Before receiving a stipend pursuant to subsection 4, a
35 teacher must sign an agreement with the Regional Training Program
36 for the Professional Development of Teachers and Administrators
37 pursuant to which the teacher agrees to:

38 (a) Carry out the training received by the teacher through the
39 certificate program;

40 (b) Participate in on-going training;

41 (c) Authorize the Regional Training Program to observe the
42 teacher in the classroom and participate in post observation
43 meetings to discuss the teacher's instructional strategies and
44 methods to improve pupil achievement; and



1 (d) Authorize the Regional Training Program to review the
2 results of the pupils who receive instruction by the teacher on
3 examinations to the extent that such review does not violate the
4 confidentiality of an individual pupil.

5 6. The Governing Body of the Regional Training Program
6 established by the Clark County School District shall prepare a
7 written report of the certificate program created pursuant to
8 subsection 2. The written report must include, without limitation:

9 (a) The amount of money that was expended to create and
10 maintain the certificate program;

11 (b) The number of teachers who participated in the certificate
12 program;

13 (c) The number of stipends that were paid pursuant to subsection
14 4 and the total amount of money paid for the stipends;

15 (d) The type of training offered through the certificate program;
16 and

17 (e) An evaluation of the success of the certificate program,
18 including, without limitation, an evaluation of whether the
19 certificate program improved the academic achievement of pupils.

20 7. The Governing Body shall submit:

21 (a) On or before February 2, 2004, a draft of the written report to
22 the Legislative Committee on Education created pursuant to NRS
23 218.5352; and

24 (b) On or before February 1, 2005, a final written report to the
25 Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmission to the
26 73rd Session of the Nevada Legislature.

27 **Sec. 2.** Any balance of the sums appropriated by section 1 of
28 this act remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not
29 be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal
30 years and reverts to the State General Fund as soon as all payments
31 of money committed have been made.

32 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.

