

BDR 34-88 AB 150(R1)

UNSOLICITED EXECUTIVE AGENCY FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

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Agency Submitting: Nevada System of Higher Education

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2022-23	Fiscal Year 2023-24	Fiscal Year 2024-25	Effect on Future Biennia
WNC (Revenue Loss) (Revenue)		(\$195,624)	(\$195,624)	(\$391,248)
GBC (Revenue Loss) (Revenue)		(\$207,045)	(\$343,928)	(\$598,136)
GBC - Personnel (Expense)		\$38,325	\$38,325	\$78,000
GBC - Operating (Expense)		\$500	\$500	\$1,000
TMCC (Revenue Loss) (Revenue)		(\$27,030)	(\$27,030)	(\$54,060)
UNLV (Revenue Loss) (Revenue)		(\$1,181,250)	(\$1,203,750)	(\$2,407,500)
NSC (Revenue Loss) (Revenue)		(\$69,726)	(\$130,312)	(\$329,650)
NSC - Personnel (Expense)		\$33,750	\$36,450	\$72,900
NSC - Operating (Expense)		\$500	\$500	\$1,000
Total	0	(\$1,753,750)	(\$1,976,419)	(\$3,933,494)

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

After review of the proposed bill, the Nevada System of Higher Education has determined that there would be a fiscal impact, primarily in the form of a loss of revenue. Nevada State College, Truckee Meadows Community College, Great Basin College, Western Nevada College, and the University of Nevada, Las Vegas would all be affected. The \$450,000 appropriation provided to NSHE in the bill for each year of the biennium to defray the costs of granting the waivers would only cover roughly 24% of the total anticipated costs over the biennium.

Please see the attached Exhibit for a detailed explanation of the anticipated costs.

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NSHE Exhibit 1 – AB 150 1st Reprint

Explanation/Assumptions Used to Estimate Costs

Western Nevada College

Western Nevada College has reviewed the bill and has determined there will be a fiscal impact. The impact will be a loss of revenue. WNC will lose revenues due to loss of fees for Dual Enrollment and Jumpstart students. Currently there are 228 Native American High School students enrolled in either dual enrollment or jumpstart. The cost per credit is \$85 for students who do not qualify for free/reduced lunches and \$58 per credit for students who do qualify for free/reduced lunches. An average of \$71.50 per credit was used in the calculation. The number of credits taken per student varies depending on school. An estimate of 6 credits per semester was used in the calculation. Calculations below:

228 students x 6 credits per semester = 1,368 credits per semester

1,328 credits per semester x 2 semesters = 2,736 credits per fiscal year

2,736 credits per year x \$71.50 per credit = \$195,624 lost in revenue per fiscal year

Great Basin College

Great Basin College (GBC) has reviewed the bill and has determined there will be a fiscal impact due to a loss of revenue and additional personnel expenses. Assumptions include an increase in dual enrollment, out-of-state, and in-state students with this additional benefit. Calculations assume \$85 per credit with 4 courses per student per year for dual enrollment and 12 credits per semester for non-dual enrollment students. In addition, a part-time position will need to be added in order to track the students who qualify for this waiver, the classes they take, and assist with advising. At this time, if the \$450,000 is provided as an appropriation, the distribution allocation among the institutions is unknown but most likely will be minimal for Great Basin College.

FY 2024

Personnel Costs

Position Name	Annual Salary	Benefits	Percent of Time Required	Cost
Letter of Appointment (.5 FTE)	35,000.00	3,325.00	100%	38,325.00
Total				38,325.00

FY 2024

Operating Costs

Description	Cost
Supplies	500.00
Total	500.00

FY 2025

Personnel Costs

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Total				38,325.00

Operating Costs

Description	Cost
Supplies	500.00
Total	500.00

Truckee Meadows Community College

Truckee Meadows Community College has reviewed the bill and has determined there will be a fiscal impact. The impact will be a loss of revenue. TMCC will lose revenue due to the loss of fees for Dual Enrollment and Jumpstart students. Currently there are 37 Native American students enrolled in either Dual Enrollment or Jumpstart. The cost per credit is \$85. An average of 4.3 credits was used for this calculation.

6,997 Jumps Start Dual Enrollment credits / 1,692 students = 4.3 credits/student

4.3 credits*37 Native American students=159 credits

159 credits*\$85=\$13,515

\$13,515*2 semesters=\$27,030 lost in revenue per fiscal year

At this time, if the \$450,000 is provided as an appropriation, the distribution allocation among the institutions is unknown but most likely will be minimal for Truckee Meadows Community College.

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

The following is a summary of enrollment and cost of the waiver to date (NV eligible only - new waiver effective fall 2021) is as follows:

FY22 (Fall 2021-Spring 2022): 10 Students, \$39,609

FY23 (Fall 2022-Spring 2023): 33 Students, \$113,700*

*preliminary/estimated

Assumptions for additional fee waivers / lost revenue in FY24 and FY25:

100 additional out of state Native Americans would enroll at UNLV and take 30 undergraduate credits per year; all are from Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) states, and the non-resident tuition (WUE) is 50% of the registration fee, also waived. UNLV Board approved per credit undergraduate registration fee is \$262.50 in FY24 and \$267.50 in FY25. Only registration fees and non-resident tuition (WUE) are included in the FY4-FY25 projection, although the bill allows for lab fees and other mandatory fees to also be waived, so these estimates would be low given the assumptions.

The expansion of the Native American fee waiver has the potential to result in millions of dollars per year in lost revenue for UNLV as more students become aware of it, particularly if eligible students enroll in the graduate and professional programs (Law, Dental, and Medical Schools at UNLV), which have higher fees than the undergraduate programs.

Nevada State College

Assumptions included an increase in dual enrollment students as well as subsequent increase in matriculation of those students and out of state students. Calculations assume \$75 fee per course with 4 courses per student per year (for non-dual enrollment) and 20% of dual enrollment students projected to matriculate to Nevada State. Due to the tracking and reporting of courses required by the legislation, NSC anticipates that a part-time position is needed. At this time, the methodology of distribution of the \$450,000 allocation to institutions is unknown and NSC's portion would likely be minimal.

**FY 2024
Personnel
Costs**

Position Name/Title	Annual Salary	Benefits	FTE/ Percent of Time Required	Cost
Liaison (.50 FTE)	50,000.00	17,500.00	50%	33,750.00
Total				33,750.00

**FY 2024
Operating
Costs**

Description	Cost
Supplies, printing	500.00
Total	500.00

**FY 2025
Personnel
Costs**

Position Name	Annual Salary	Benefits	Percent of Time Required	Cost
Liaison (.50 FTE)	54,000.00	18,900.00	50%	36,450.00
Total				36,450.00

**FY 2025
Operating
Costs**

Description	Cost
Supplies, printing	500.00
Total	500.00