
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 139—ASSEMBLYMEMBER TORRES-FOSSETT

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Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes an appropriation to the Department of Education for programs of dual credit. (BDR S-178)

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 making an appropriation to the Department of Education for the purpose of awarding grants of money to school districts or institutions within the Nevada System of Higher Education for programs of dual credit; 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 Department of Education the sum of
3 \$15,000,000 for the purpose of awarding grants of money in
4 accordance with this section to school districts and institutions
5 within the Nevada System of Higher Education for programs of dual
6 credit at public schools in this State.

7 2. The Department shall allocate the money appropriated by
8 subsection 1 to school districts and institutions within the System to
9 cover the cost of student fees and instructional materials for pupils
10 enrolled in new and existing dual credit programs who are able to
11 demonstrate financial or other hardship, including, without
12 limitation:

13 (a) Pupils who, once enrolled in a postsecondary educational
14 institution, will be first-generation college students;

15 (b) Pupils from historically underserved communities; or

16 (c) Pupils who either directly receive or are members of a
17 household that receives public assistance, as defined in



1 NRS 422A.065, or who are eligible for free or reduced-price
2 lunches pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 1751 et seq.

3 3. A school district or institution within the System may
4 expend money allocated pursuant to subsection 2 on behalf of the
5 same pupil more than once, to cover the cost of student fees and
6 instructional materials for multiple classes or semesters, or at
7 multiple institutions.

8 4. In allocating the money appropriated by subsection 1, the
9 Department shall not:

10 (a) Impose geographic limitations on where a program of dual
11 credit may be offered or limit whether instruction is offered at an
12 institution within the System, at a high school or online;

13 (b) Impose limitations on the subject area of courses offered in a
14 program of dual credit; or

15 (c) Interfere with the choice of instructor for a dual credit course
16 made by an institution within the System.

17 5. Upon acceptance of the money appropriated by subsection 1,
18 a school district or institution within the System, as applicable,
19 agrees to:

20 (a) Prepare and transmit a report to the Interim Finance
21 Committee on or before December 18, 2026, that describes, from
22 the date on which the money was received by the school district or
23 institution within the System through December 1, 2026:

24 (1) Each expenditure made from the money appropriated by
25 subsection 1;

26 (2) The number of pupils enrolled in dual credit programs for
27 whom money appropriated by subsection 1 was expended; and

28 (3) For pupils for whom money appropriated by subsection 1
29 was expended, high school graduation rates and rates of
30 matriculation into institutions within the System;

31 (b) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance
32 Committee on or before September 17, 2027, that describes, from
33 the date on which the money was received by the school district or
34 institution within the System through June 30, 2027:

35 (1) Each expenditure made from the money appropriated by
36 subsection 1;

37 (2) The number of pupils enrolled in dual credit programs for
38 whom money appropriated by subsection 1 was expended; and

39 (3) For pupils for whom money appropriated by subsection 1
40 was expended, high school graduation rates and rates of
41 matriculation into institutions within the System; and

42 (c) Prepare the reports required pursuant to this subsection in a
43 manner that complies with the provisions of the Family Educational
44 Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. § 1232g.



1 6. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by
2 subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30,
3 2027, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity
4 to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise
5 transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated
6 money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after
7 September 17, 2027, by either the entity to which the money was
8 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently
9 granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the fund from which
10 it was appropriated on or before September 17, 2027.

11 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.



