ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 317–ASSEMBLYMEN VON TOBEL, HETTRICK, GIBBONS, CEGAVSKE, GIUNCHIGLIANI, WILLIAMS, BEERS AND HUMKE

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Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Revises provisions regarding payment of merit increases in University and Community College System of Nevada. (BDR 31-806)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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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 state financial administration; prohibiting the University and Community College System of Nevada from using money appropriated or authorized for expenditure by the legislature to provide certain merit increases; prohibiting the University and Community College System of Nevada from including in its base budget money necessary to pay certain related portions of salaries; 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. Chapter 353 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 3 The University and Community College System of Nevada shall not
- 4 use money appropriated or authorized for expenditure by the legislature 5 to provide merit increases not specifically authorized by the legislature.
- 6 **Sec. 2.** NRS 353.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 7 353.150 NRS 353.150 to 353.246, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act* may be cited as the State Budget Act.
- 9 **Sec. 3.** NRS 353.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 10 353.210 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, on or
- before August 15 of each even-numbered year, all departments, institutions
- and other agencies of the executive department of the state government,
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- receiving state money, fees or other money under the authority of the state,
- including those operating on money designated for specific purposes by

- the constitution or otherwise, shall prepare, on blanks furnished them by the chief, and submit to the chief estimates of their expenditure requirements, together with all anticipated income from fees and all other sources, for the next 2 fiscal years compared with the corresponding figures of the last completed fiscal year and the estimated figures for the current fiscal year.
 - 2. The chief shall direct that one copy of the forms submitted pursuant to subsection 1, accompanied by every supporting schedule and any other related material, be delivered directly to the fiscal analysis division of the legislative counsel bureau on or before August 15 of each even-numbered year.

- 3. The budget division of the department of administration shall give advance notice to the fiscal analysis division of the legislative counsel bureau of any conference between the budget division of the department of administration and personnel of other state agencies regarding budget estimates. A fiscal analyst of the legislative counsel bureau or his designated representative may attend any such conference.
- 4. The estimates of expenditure requirements submitted pursuant to subsection 1 must be classified to set forth the data of funds, organizational units, and the character and objects of expenditures, and must include a mission statement and measurement indicators for each program. The organizational units may be subclassified by functions and activities, or in any other manner at the discretion of the chief.
- 5. If any department, institution or other agency of the executive department of the state government, whether its money is derived from state money or from other money collected under the authority of the state, fails or neglects to submit estimates of its expenditure requirements as provided in this section, the chief may, from any data at hand in his office or which he may examine or obtain elsewhere, make and enter a proposed budget for the department, institution or agency in accordance with the data.
- 6. Agencies, bureaus, commissions and officers of the legislative department, the public employees' retirement system, the state industrial insurance system and the judicial department of the state government shall submit to the chief for his information in preparing the proposed executive budget the budgets which they propose to submit to the legislature.
- 7. The base budget of the University and Community College System of Nevada must not include money necessary to pay the portion of the salaries of nonmerit positions resulting from merit increases previously provided from money not appropriated or authorized for expenditure by the legislature.
- 42 8. As used in this section, "nonmerit position" means the position of 43 dean or a higher position, including, without limitation, the positions of:

- 1 (a) Chancellor;
- 2 (b) Vice chancellor;
- (c) Legal counsel to the chancellor;
- 4 (d) President of a university, community college or the desert research institute;
- 6 (e) Vice president of a university, community college or the desert 7 research institute;
 - (f) Director of the university press;
- 9 (g) Director of the computing center;
- 10 (h) Administrator at a community college, if the position is equivalent 11 to the position of dean;
- 12 (i) Administrative head of a center within the desert research institute; 13 and
- 14 (j) Director of an intercollegiate athletic program.
- Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 1999.

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