ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 251–ASSEMBLYMEN SMITH, LESLIE, CHOWNING, DE BRAGA, MCCLAIN, ANDERSON, BACHE, BERMAN, CLABORN, COLLINS, FREEMAN, GIBBONS, GIUNCHIGLIANI, KOIVISTO, MANENDO, OCEGUERA AND WILLIAMS

FEBRUARY 28, 2001

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation to Department of Education for teachers to obtain endorsements to teach English as a second language. (BDR S-847)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

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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 Department of Education for grants of money to pay the costs incurred for licensed teachers to obtain endorsements to teach English as a second language; 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 Department of Education the sum of \$120,000 for grants of money to public schools to pay the costs incurred for licensed teachers to obtain endorsements to teach English as a second language.

2. A public school may apply to the Department of Education for a grant of money from the appropriation made by subsection 1 to pay the costs incurred for licensed teachers employed at the school to obtain endorsements to teach English as a second language. The application must include the proposed number of licensed teachers employed at the school who intend to receive education and training to obtain an endorsement to teach English as a second language. If an application is approved by the Department of Education, the department shall, within the limits of money available from the appropriation made by subsection 1, provide a grant of money to the public school in an amount not to exceed \$1,200 for each licensed teacher employed at the school who intends to obtain an endorsement to teach English as a second language.



3. A public school that receives a grant of money pursuant to this section shall use the money to pay the costs for licensed teachers employed at the school to obtain endorsements individually or collectively to teach English as a second language. A public school may contract or otherwise provide for collective education or training at the school for a group of teachers to obtain such endorsements. For each licensed teacher who receives education or training to obtain such an endorsement, the public school shall pay not more than \$1,200 for tuition or registration fees, textbooks, course materials and the salary of a substitute teacher who is hired to fill the position of the licensed teacher while he is receiving the education or training.

- 4. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2003, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.
- **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.



