

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 60—COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION)

FEBRUARY 16, 2005

Referred to Concurrent Committees on Education
and Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Requires Department of Education to transfer money from State Distributive School Account to provide signing bonuses to newly hired licensed employees of school districts. (BDR 34-477)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
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; requiring the Department of Education to transfer money from the State Distributive School Account to provide signing bonuses to licensed employees who are newly hired by school districts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 This bill provides for the transfer of money from the State Distributive School
- 2 Account to pay signing bonuses to licensed employees who are newly hired by
- 3 school districts during the 2005-2006 school year and the 2006-2007 school year.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** 1. The Department of Education shall transfer
- 2 from the State Distributive School Account the following sums to
- 3 provide signing bonuses to all licensed employees who are newly
- 4 hired by school districts for the 2005-2006 school year and the
- 5 2006-2007 school year.



1 For the Fiscal Year 2005-2006..... \$5,400,000
2 For the Fiscal Year 2006-2007..... \$5,400,000

3 2. A licensed employee who is newly hired may not receive a
4 signing bonus until he has worked for a school district in this State
5 for at least 30 days. A licensed employee may not receive more than
6 one signing bonus pursuant to this act. A licensed employee who is
7 employed by a school district in this State before July 1, 2005, and
8 who subsequently transfers to another school district in this State is
9 not eligible to receive a signing bonus pursuant to this act.

10 3. A school district that wishes to provide signing bonuses to
11 its licensed employees who are newly hired shall submit information
12 to the Department of Education, in a format prescribed by the
13 Department, concerning the number of licensed employees who are
14 newly hired by the school district to work for the 2005-2006 school
15 year and the 2006-2007 school year. A school district shall submit a
16 request for each fiscal year that it wishes to provide signing bonuses
17 pursuant to this act.

18 4. The Department of Education shall use the money
19 transferred pursuant to subsection 1 to provide signing bonuses to
20 licensed employees who are newly hired for the 2005-2006 school
21 year and the 2006-2007 school year. The Department shall analyze
22 the total number of licensed employees who are newly hired for the
23 2005-2006 school year and determine the total amount of money to
24 be allocated for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 in a manner which will
25 ensure that an adequate amount of money is available for signing
26 bonuses for Fiscal Year 2006-2007. If necessary, the Department
27 shall adjust the amount of each signing bonus for Fiscal Year 2005-
28 2006 to ensure that an adequate amount of money is available to
29 provide signing bonuses to licensed employees who are newly hired
30 for Fiscal Year 2006-2007. The amount of a bonus paid to each
31 licensed employee in either fiscal year must not exceed \$2,000.

32 5. No additional money will be appropriated by the Legislature
33 for the purpose of providing signing bonuses for licensed employees
34 for the 2005-2007 biennium.

35 6. The sums transferred pursuant to subsection 1 are available
36 for either fiscal year. Any remaining balance of those sums must not
37 be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2007, and reverts to the
38 State Distributive School Account as soon as all payments of money
39 committed have been made.

40 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2005.

