

S.B. 388

SENATE BILL NO. 388—SENATORS MATHEWS, HORSFORD,
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Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriations to the Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., and the Nevada Public Education Foundation. (BDR S-1153)

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 appropriations to the Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., and the Nevada Public Education Foundation to support certain programs; 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 Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc.,
- 3 the sum of \$2,000,000 for the establishment and operation of Ready
- 4 for Life through Project Learn programs in this State.
- 5 2. A Boys and Girls Club operating in this State may apply to
- 6 the Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., for a grant of
- 7 money from the appropriation made by subsection 1. The
- 8 application must include proof satisfactory to the Nevada Alliance
- 9 of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., that the applicant has obtained equal
- 10 matching money, other than money from this State, for the
- 11 establishment and operation of a Ready for Life through Project
- 12 Learn program, including, without limitation, money from local
- 13 governmental agencies, community organizations, the private sector
- 14 and the Federal Government. Facilities and office space may not be



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1 used to satisfy the match required by this subsection. In-kind
2 matches must account for not more than 25 percent of the match
3 required by this subsection.

4 3. A Boys and Girls Club that receives a grant shall use the
5 money to establish and operate a Ready for Life through Project
6 Learn program that is designed to provide persons who are 6 to 18
7 years of age and who are from disadvantaged circumstances the
8 education and skills necessary to show proficiency in basic
9 academic skills at each grade level through graduation and the
10 ability to make informed decisions about postsecondary education
11 and training. In addition, the program must include:

12 (a) Homework help and tutoring to enable each young person to
13 develop the daily habit of completing homework and class
14 preparation, with staff and volunteer support for 5 to 6 hours
15 weekly.

16 (b) Learning activities to help each young person apply what
17 they have learned in the classroom to practical, real-life situations.

18 (c) Parental involvement to empower the adults in each young
19 person's life to support his academic development.

20 (d) Collaboration with schools enabling Boys and Girls Clubs to
21 work with teachers to develop individualized plans for each young
22 person to build competency in challenging subjects.

23 (e) Accountability measures to track each young person's
24 performance, such as school report cards or other appropriate
25 measurements.

26 4. A Boys and Girls Club that receives a grant of money from
27 the appropriation made by subsection 1 shall expend not more than
28 15 percent of the money for the costs of developing a Ready for Life
29 through Project Learn program and other costs associated with the
30 start-up of the program. Money provided for start-up costs must not
31 be in addition to the total amount of a grant awarded to an applicant.
32 After the development and start-up of a Ready for Life through
33 Project Learn program, the Boys and Girls Club operating that
34 program shall expend:

35 (a) Not more than 10 percent of the money for the administrative
36 costs associated with operating the program.

37 (b) At least 90 percent of the money for direct services to the
38 young persons who participate in the program.

39 5. If required by law, all personnel and volunteers who assist
40 with a Ready for Life through Project Learn program operated by a
41 Boys and Girls Club shall undergo the appropriate health screening
42 and submit fingerprints for criminal background checks.

43 6. Upon acceptance of the money appropriated by subsection 1,
44 the Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., shall:



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(a) Prepare and transmit a report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before December 15, 2008, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., through December 1, 2008;

(b) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before September 18, 2009, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., through June 30, 2009; and

(c) Upon request of the Legislative Commission, make available to the Legislative Auditor any of the books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers or other records of information, confidential or otherwise, of the Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., regardless of their form or location, that the Legislative Auditor deems necessary to conduct an audit of the use of the money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 2. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Nevada Public Education Foundation the sum of \$300,000 for the establishment and operation of Ready for Life through Project Learn programs in this State.

2. The Nevada Public Education Foundation may use the money appropriated by subsection 1 only if matching money is obtained by the Nevada Public Education Foundation, other than money from this State.

3. The Nevada Public Education Foundation will facilitate between local school districts and Boys and Girls Clubs to develop strong working relationships.

4. A collaborating agency of the Nevada Public Education Foundation operating in this State may apply to the Nevada Public Education Foundation for a grant of money from the appropriation made by subsection 1.

5. Upon acceptance of the money appropriated by subsection 1, the Nevada Public Education Foundation shall:

(a) Prepare and transmit a report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before December 15, 2008, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Nevada Public Education Foundation through December 1, 2008;

(b) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before September 18, 2009, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Nevada Public Education Foundation through June 30, 2009; and



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(c) Upon request of the Legislative Commission, make available to the Legislative Auditor any of the books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers or other records of information, confidential or otherwise, of the Nevada Public Education Foundation, regardless of their form or location, that the Legislative Auditor deems necessary to conduct an audit of the use of the money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 3. The Department of Education shall approve the:

1. Procedures for allocation of grants of money by the Nevada Alliance of Boys and Girls Clubs, Inc., and the Nevada Public Education Foundation, including procedures for the reimbursement of start-up costs of a Ready for Life through Project Learn program.

2. Requirements for evaluation and reporting by each Boys and Girls Club or collaborating agency of the Nevada Public Education Foundation that receives a grant of money.

Sec. 4. Any remaining balance of the appropriations made by sections 1 and 2 of this act must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2009, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which the money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 18, 2009, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 18, 2009.

Sec. 5. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.

