SENATE BILL NO. 107–COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON CHILD WELFARE AND JUVENILE JUSTICE)

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Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Provides for the award of a categorical grant to agencies which provide child welfare services for providing certain services. (BDR 38-194)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the protection of children; providing for the award of a categorical grant to each agency which provides child welfare services for providing services to children placed in specialized foster homes and to children who remain under the jurisdiction of the court after reaching 18 years of age; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Section 3 of this bill requires the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services to provide a categorical grant to each agency which provides child welfare services for each fiscal year for providing services to children placed in a specialized foster home. **Section 5** of this bill requires the Division to provide a categorical grant to each agency which provides child welfare services for each fiscal year for providing services to children who remain under the jurisdiction of the court after reaching 18 years of age.





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

- **Section 1.** Chapter 424 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.
- Sec. 2. "Agency which provides child welfare services" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432B.030.
- Sec. 3. 1. The Division shall provide a categorical grant to each agency which provides child welfare services for each fiscal year for providing services to children in a specialized foster home to the extent that money has been appropriated to the Division for that purpose. The amount of the grant must be based upon the estimated cost of the projected growth in child welfare services provided to children in a specialized foster home.
- 2. The amount of the grant awarded pursuant to subsection 1 must be determined for 2 years beginning on July 1 of each odd-numbered year and allocated each fiscal year.
- 3. An agency which provides child welfare services that receives a grant pursuant to subsection 1 must use the money allocated only for costs associated with providing child welfare services to children in a specialized foster home. Any money from the grant awarded pursuant to subsection 1 that has not been used or committed for expenditure by the agency which provides child welfare services by the end of the fiscal year reverts to the State General Fund.
 - **Sec. 4.** NRS 424.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 424.010 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 424.012 to 424.018, inclusive, *and section 2 of this act* have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
- **Sec. 5.** Chapter 432B of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 1. The Division of Child and Family Services shall provide a categorical grant to each agency which provides child welfare services for each fiscal year for providing services to children who are over the age of 18 years who remain under the jurisdiction of a court pursuant to NRS 432B.594 to the extent that money has been appropriated to the Division for that purpose. The amount of the grant must be based upon the estimated cost of the projected growth in child welfare services provided to children under the jurisdiction of a court pursuant to NRS 432B.594.
- 2. The amount of the grant awarded pursuant to subsection 1 must be determined for 2 years beginning on July 1 of each odd-numbered year and allocated each fiscal year.





- 3. An agency which provides child welfare services that receives a grant pursuant to subsection 1 must use the money allocated only for costs associated with providing child welfare services to children who are over the age of 18 years who remain under the jurisdiction of the court pursuant to NRS 432B.594. Any money from the grant awarded pursuant to subsection 1 that has not been used or committed for expenditure by the agency which provides child welfare services by the end of the fiscal year reverts to the State General Fund.
- **Sec. 6.** NRS 432B.591 is hereby amended to read as follows: 432B.591 As used in NRS 432B.591 to 432B.595, inclusive, *and section 5 of this act*, "child" means a person who is:
 - 1. Under the age of 18 years; and

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- 2. Over the age of 18 years and who remains under the jurisdiction of the court pursuant to NRS 432B.594.
 - **Sec. 7.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.





