

SENATE BILL NO. 414—SENATOR SETTELMAYER

MARCH 17, 2015

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Encourages the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to enter into a reciprocal agreement with the State of California to provide full waivers of nonresident tuition to certain residents of the Lake Tahoe Basin. (BDR S-993)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: 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 education; encouraging the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to enter into a reciprocal agreement with the State of California that grants full waivers of nonresident tuition to certain residents of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Existing law authorizes the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to  
2 enter into a reciprocal agreement with another state for the granting of full or partial  
3 waivers of nonresident tuition to residents of the other state who are students at or  
4 are eligible for admission to any branch of the Nevada System of Higher Education  
5 if the other state grants reciprocal waivers to residents of Nevada. (NRS 396.543)  
6 This act encourages the Board of Regents to enter into such an agreement with the  
7 State of California so that: (1) residents of communities located in the Nevada  
8 portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin receive a full waiver of nonresident tuition to  
9 attend Lake Tahoe Community College in South Lake Tahoe, California; and (2)  
10 residents of communities located in the California portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin  
11 receive a full waiver of nonresident tuition to attend Western Nevada College in  
12 Carson City, Nevada.



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

**Section 1.** The Legislature hereby finds and declares:

1. Lake Tahoe Community College in South Lake Tahoe, California, is in a unique location where residents of certain communities located in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin reside in closer proximity to the Community College than to any branch of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

2. Western Nevada College in Carson City, Nevada, is in a unique location where residents of certain communities located in the California portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin reside in closer proximity to the College than to a school in the system of California Community Colleges.

3. The Board of Regents of the University of Nevada has authority pursuant to NRS 396.543 to enter into a reciprocal agreement with the State of California to grant waivers of nonresident tuition for:

(a) Residents of communities located in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin to attend Lake Tahoe Community College; and

(b) Residents of communities located in the California portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin to attend Western Nevada College.

4. Such a reciprocal agreement would provide economic and educational benefits to citizens of this State.

**Sec. 2.** The Nevada Legislature hereby encourages the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to enter into a reciprocal agreement with the State of California to grant full waivers of nonresident tuition to:

1. Residents of communities located in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin to attend Lake Tahoe Community College in South Lake Tahoe, California; and

2. Residents of communities located in the California portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin to attend Western Nevada College in Carson City, Nevada.

**Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

