LOCAL GOVERNMENT FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: March 10, 2015

Agency Submitting: Nye County School District

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Effect on Future Biennia
(Expense)		\$2,562		
Total	0	\$2,562	0	0

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

Has Impact

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Fiscal Note on (BDR 34-51) Please see greater explanation and details below.

Category Type	Items of Revenue	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year	Effect on Future Biennia
	Or Expense	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	
	or Both				
Education	Expense		\$2,562,000+	See Note*	See Note*
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Notes/Considerations:

It will be important to have sufficient supports in place when implementing such a law to ensure the safety of all students. This will have a fiscal impact on NCSD. It is nearly impossible to calculate the amount as this will require many more resources than we currently have in place.

<u>Sec.2.1.</u> Clearly data collection and record keeping is essential to implementing any school based intervention and prevention program. This bill provides for the creation of records including a safety plan for the pupil who was subjected to bullying or cyber-bulling. This will require an extra administrator and clerical aide to assist in creating and maintaining these records in every school at a cost of \$122,000 for administrator salary and benefits. The cost for clerical would be \$52,000 for salary and benefits.

Three of our communities do not have housing for personnel. Nye County School District would have to provide the new personnel housing in three communities at a cost of \$100,000 per unit. This cost would cover the purchasing and set up of the modular.

<u>Sec.2.2.</u> Added counseling, intervention or other psychological services will require Nye County to hire personnel at each school at a cost of \$85,000 per counselor or intervention specialist. Seven of the communities served by Nye County School District do not have counseling, intervention or psychological services available through outside agencies. Currently the school district does not have a counselor in every school. We do not have behavior intervention specialist in any schools. Nye County School District would have to provide these services.

Sec.9.7. Providing training a minimum of four times per year requires resources, trainers and time. If done during the school day, it will cost substitute dollars of \$100 per day per sub. If trainings are held before school, after school or Saturdays, the cost would be extra duty time at \$29.00 per hour per person. If these trainings are held during designated staff development days, then instructional trainings for teachers would have to be at other times, costing the district and school money.

This bill provides for very specific actions to be taken for both the bully and victim. It does not provide for remote rural schools' needs. The necessary items as stated above are listed below:

- This will require an extra administrator and clerical aide to assist in creating and maintaining these records in every school at a cost of \$122,000 per administrator, totaling \$1,586,000 for administrator salary and benefits. The cost for clerical would be \$52,000 per person totaling \$676,000 for salary and benefits.
- Nye County School District would have to provide new personnel housing in three communities at a cost of \$100,000 per unit for a total cost of \$300,000.
- Cost of transportation will need to be calculated into this figure for traveling expenses for psychologists and intervention specialists. Nye County covers 18,064 miles. A van would cost \$18,000 with two vehicles totaling \$36,000. The costs for two psychologists to travel to remote rural schools would average \$135 per round trip each time services will be needed.

The following costs would be added throughout the life of the bill, and cost cannot be determined for the monitoring and follow-up of each item based on the law:

- Training sessions for teachers, administrators, counselors and students are difficult to determine as each school would need professional development based on their needs.
- There will be a loss of instruction time for students who are determined to need counseling services in order to meet the monitoring laws, which would require an instructional intervention program to ensure that the student did not lose instruction time.