MINUTES OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Seventy-Eighth Session April 16, 2015

The Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on Education was called to order by Chair Becky Harris at 3:31 p.m. on Thursday, April 16, 2015, in Room 2135 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 4412 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. Exhibit A is the Agenda. Exhibit B is the Attendance Roster. All exhibits are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Becky Harris, Chair Senator Scott Hammond, Vice Chair Senator Don Gustavson Senator Joyce Woodhouse Senator Moises (Mo) Denis

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Todd Butterworth, Policy Analyst Jan Brase, Committee Secretary Beth Ann Reykers, Committee Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT:

Daniel Stewart, Assembly Leadership Policy Advisor

Chair Harris:

I will now open the hearing on Assembly Bill (A.B.) 150.

ASSEMBLY BILL 150: Revises provisions governing the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program. (BDR 34-200)

Daniel Stewart (Assembly Leadership Policy Advisor):

I am representing Assemblyman Lynn D. Stewart this afternoon. I will now read from his written remarks (<u>Exhibit C</u>). He has also provided a handout to the Committee (<u>Exhibit D</u>).

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Senator Hammond:

How many more students will receive the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship funds through A.B. 150? Will it affect the amount of money available to students currently receiving the Scholarship? I like the idea of encouraging the "late bloomers" outlined in the bill.

Mr. Stewart:

I do not know, but I will provide the information to the Committee.

Chair Harris:

Is it anticipated that students will take the qualifying test during their senior year of high school? Does <u>A.B. 150</u> include a time line for students taking the entrance exam? Can anybody who graduates high school take the college entrance exam at any time and qualify for the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship?

Mr. Stewart:

I think the intent and goal would be for high school juniors and seniors to take a college placement test. Those scores would be used for Millennium Scholarship qualification under $\underline{A.B.}$ 150.

Chair Harris:

Would a person who did not qualify for a Millennium Scholarship when he or she graduated from high school, who then took a college exam later and achieved the requisite score, qualify for Millennium Scholarship money?

Mr. Stewart:

I do not see anything in the language that would limit it. I will get an answer for you.

Chair Harris:

The information would help clarify the intent of A.B. 150 and the sponsor's intent.

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Chair Harris:

The hearing on <u>A.B. 150</u> will be continued in the Senate Committee on Education, which will convene momentarily. The Senate Subcommittee on Education is adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:	
	Beth Ann Reykers, Committee Secretary	
APPROVED BY:		
Senator Becky Harris, Chair		
DATE:		

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY					
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A.B. 150	D	2	Daniel Stewart	Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Data Sheet	