

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 482—COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

(ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF FINANCE  
IN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR)

MARCH 27, 2017

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to programs of career and technical education. (BDR 34-1093)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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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; revising provisions relating to the use of state money for programs of career and technical education; requiring representatives of industry sector councils to make recommendations on the awarding of certain grants; revising provisions relating to the proportion of the total amount of state money a school district or charter school may receive for programs of career and technical education; requiring the Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education to designate certain program professionals; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law establishes the State Board for Career and Technical Education to oversee programs of career and technical education in the public schools of this State. (NRS 388.330-388.370) Existing law requires the board of trustees of each school district in a county whose population is 100,000 or more (currently Clark and Washoe Counties), and authorizes the board of trustees of any other school district, to establish and maintain a program of career and technical education to provide instruction in subjects approved by the Board. (NRS 388.380) Existing law also: (1) specifies the manner in which certain state money available for career and technical education may be allocated; (2) specifies the purposes for which the money may be used; and (3) requires the Executive Officer of the Board to award grants based on certain criteria. (NRS 388.390-388.395)

**Section 1** of this bill limits the amount of money the Board is authorized to distribute to support the activities of certain pupil organizations for career and



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technical education. **Section 1** also removes a requirement that the Board request that each industry sector council name one representative to make recommendations to the Executive Officer of the Board on the awarding of grants, and instead requires representatives of the councils to provide such recommendations.

**Sections 2 and 3** of this bill remove the requirement that the Executive Officer of the Board award grants based on certain criteria and instead require the awarding of grants to be based upon criteria prescribed by the State Board of Education. **Section 2** authorizes the Executive Officer to award grants for the purposes of improving existing programs of career and technical education, in addition to awarding grants for the purposes of developing new programs or expanding existing programs. **Section 3** revises provisions relating to the proportion of the total amount of certain state money that a school district or charter school may receive for programs of career and technical education.

Existing law requires the Board to designate a program professional to perform certain duties relating to programs of career and technical education that have received grants of money. (NRS 388.396) **Section 4** of this bill requires the Executive Officer of the Board to make this designation.

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

**Section 1.** NRS 388.392 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.392 1. Of state money appropriated for use in a fiscal year for programs of career and technical education, the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall not use more than 7.5 percent to provide leadership and training activities in that fiscal year.

2. Before allocating state money, if any, to provide leadership and training activities, the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall:

(a) Distribute 30 percent of the state money in the manner set forth in NRS 388.393; and

(b) Distribute *not more than* 5 percent of the state money to pupil organizations for career and technical education in the manner set forth in NRS 388.394.

3. After distributing the state money pursuant to subsection 2 and allocating state money, if any, to provide leadership and training activities, the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall distribute the remainder of state money in the manner set forth in NRS 388.395.

4. The State Board for Career and Technical Education shall request that ~~each~~ *representatives of the* industry sector ~~council~~ *councils* established pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 232.935 ~~name one representative to~~ provide recommendations to the Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education on the awarding of grants pursuant to NRS 388.393.



5. As used in this section, "leadership and training activities" means:

(a) Activities by or for pupil organizations for career and technical education;

(b) Training activities for teachers of classes or programs of career and technical education;

(c) Activities at or for a conference of teachers of classes or programs of career and technical education;

(d) Promotion and marketing of classes or programs of career and technical education; and

(e) The development of standards and assessments of career and technical education for the purposes of leadership and training.

**Sec. 2.** NRS 388.393 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.393 1. The board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school may apply to the State Board for Career and Technical Education for a grant for a program of career and technical education, to be paid for with money distributed pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of NRS 388.392, by submitting an application to the person appointed pursuant to NRS 388.342.

~~2. Upon receipt of an application for a grant, the person shall forward the application to each representative of an industry sector council named pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 388.392 to review the application.~~

~~3.~~ The Executive Officer of the State Board for Career and Technical Education shall review the recommendations of the representatives of the industry sector councils and award grants for the purposes of developing new programs of career and technical education or *improving or* expanding existing programs of career and technical education. The awarding of grants must be based on the ~~following criteria of the program of career and technical education:~~

~~(a) Standards and instruction.~~

~~(b) Leadership development.~~

~~(c) Practical application of occupational skills.~~

~~(d) Quality and competence of personnel.~~

~~(e) Facilities, equipment and materials.~~

~~(f) Community, business and industry involvement.~~

~~(g) Career guidance.~~

~~(h) Program promotion.~~

~~(i) Program accountability and planning.~~

~~(j) Pupil teacher ratio.~~

~~(k) Whether the program will lead to a national credential or certification.~~ *criteria established by regulation of the State Board of Education.*



**Sec. 3.** NRS 388.395 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.395 1. The board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school may apply to the State Board for Career and Technical Education for a grant for a program of career and technical education, to be paid for from the remainder of state money described in subsection 3 of NRS 388.392.

2. The State Board for Career and Technical Education shall review all applications submitted pursuant to subsection 1 and award grants based on the ~~following criteria of the program of career and technical education:~~

~~—(a) Standards and instruction.~~

~~—(b) Leadership development.~~

~~—(c) Practical application of occupational skills.~~

~~—(d) Quality and competence of personnel.~~

~~—(e) Facilities, equipment and materials.~~

~~—(f) Community, business and industry involvement.~~

~~—(g) Career guidance.~~

~~—(h) Program promotion.~~

~~—(i) Program accountability and planning.~~

~~—(j) Pupil teacher ratio.~~

~~—(k) Whether the program will lead to a national credential or certification.~~ *criteria established by regulation of the State Board of Education.*

3. The proportion of the total amount awarded pursuant to subsection 2 to a school district or charter school during a fiscal year must not exceed the proportion of the ~~enrollment of~~ pupils in programs of career and technical education in the school district or charter school during the previous fiscal year, as compared to the ~~enrollments of~~ pupils in programs of career and technical education throughout the State during the previous fiscal year. ~~For the purposes of determining the duplicated enrollment of pupils in a program of career and technical education, each pupil must be counted once for each program of career and technical education in which he or she is enrolled.~~

**Sec. 4.** NRS 388.396 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.396 For each grant of money awarded pursuant to NRS 388.393, 388.394 or 388.395, the *Executive Officer of the* State Board for Career and Technical Education shall designate a program professional to:

1. Evaluate the manner in which the money was expended and the effectiveness of the program of career and technical education for which the money was granted; and

2. Report the results of the review to the State Board for Career and Technical Education.



- 1       **Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval
- 2 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other
- 3 administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of
- 4 this act and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.

