

EXECUTIVE AGENCY
FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: February 7, 2017

Agency Submitting: Nevada System of Higher Education

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Fiscal Year 2017-18	Fiscal Year 2018-19	Effect on Future Biennia
Salaries (Expense)		\$379,655	\$394,377	\$754,565
Fringe (Expense)		\$156,956	\$160,065	\$296,629
Operating (Expense)		\$19,000	\$19,000	\$38,000
Total	0	\$555,611	\$573,442	\$1,089,194

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

If enacted by the Legislature, this bill would require that the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) provide a copy of the material developed by the Director of the Department of Business and Industry (B&I) to each person who applies for admission to an institution. Additionally, the bill would require each NSHE institution to provide each person seeking admission to the institution with information about: the cost of attending the institution, student loans available to those attending the institution, and the amount of indebtedness that may be incurred if student loans are used to finance all of the costs of attendance. It appears that the proposed legislation would have a significant fiscal impact on NSHE institutions. These costs result from the requirements to provide the materials developed by B&I to those seeking admission to each institution, obtaining written acknowledgement of receipt of that information, retaining that acknowledgement for an established period of time, and providing copies of signed acknowledgements upon request to private lending institutions. Costs would also result from the requirement that institutions provide applicants with information on the amount of financial aid available from that institution, which would be unique to each applicant. Additionally, institutions would be required prepare an annual report regarding the average amount of indebtedness incurred from student loans during the preceding calendar year for students attending their institution. The fiscal note includes 1 to 5 additional staff per institution to accommodate the additional workload, including records retention and retrieval requirements, proposed in this legislation. These costs are subject to change based on the material developed by B&I and the ability to utilize electronic signatures to acknowledge receipt of the required information.

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DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS

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The agency's response appears reasonable.

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