

**EXECUTIVE AGENCY
FISCAL NOTE**

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: March 30, 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
Total	0	0	0	0

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

If enacted, it appears the proposed legislation would have a fiscal impact on the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) and its institutions; however, it is not possible to quantify the fiscal impact.

Currently, the use or possession of marijuana by employees or students at NSHE campuses is illegal under federal law and prohibited under Board of Regents' policy. Board policy is responsive to the fact no exception exists in federal law for the use or possession of marijuana for medical or personal use. Additionally, violation of existing federal laws pertaining to the possession or use of marijuana (by NSHE employees or students) could result in the loss of federal funds and financial aid, as well as possible criminal prosecution.

If enacted, this legislation could result in the Board of Regents revising existing Board policy to ensure compliance with the statutory revisions, as well as requiring select NSHE employees to attend the proposed training program (provided by the Division of Public and Behavioral Health) and university police departments to purchase required saliva testing materials. Each of these activities has costs associated with implementation. It is not clear how the training will be offered or how much the training program may cost for participants. Additionally, it is not clear how much the required testing kits will cost.

An additional cost may be incurred through the loss of revenue from a reduction or elimination of federal funds, due to discontinuation of federal grants and financial aid.

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FINANCE COMMENTS

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The agency's response appears reasonable.

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