

**MINUTES OF THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

**Eightieth Session  
April 12, 2019**

The Senate Committee on Finance was called to order by Chair Joyce Woodhouse at 11:28 a.m. on Friday, April 12, 2019, in Room 2134 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, 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.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Joyce Woodhouse, Chair  
Senator David R. Parks, Vice Chair  
Senator Moises Denis  
Senator Yvanna D. Cancela  
Senator Chris Brooks  
Senator James A. Settelmeyer  
Senator Ben Kieckhefer  
Senator Pete Goicoechea

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mark Krmpotic, Senate Fiscal Analyst  
Alex Haartz, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst  
Julie Waller, Senior Program Analyst  
Vicki Kemp, Committee Secretary

CHAIR WOODHOUSE:

We will start the Work Session with Senate Bill (S.B.) 101.

**SENATE BILL 101**: Revises provisions relating to the adoption of the equity allocation model used to calculate a basic support guarantee for each school district. (BDR 34-387)

MARK KRMPOTIC (Senate Fiscal Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau):

The S.B. 101 revises provisions relating to the adoption of the equity allocation model. The S.B. 101 amends the *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) 387.122 to revise the date the superintendent of public instruction must present the equity

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allocation model to the Legislative Committee on Education from not later than July 1 to not later than May 1 of each even-numbered year. After consideration of any recommendations of the Legislative Committee on Education, the superintendent shall determine whether to include those recommendations.

The superintendent shall adopt the equity allocation model. The S.B. 101 was introduced by Senator Denis. There were no individuals testifying in support, against or in the neutral position of S.B. 101. There are no amendments to S.B. 101. Senate Bill 101 would become effective October 1, 2019. There were no fiscal notes submitted on S.B. 101.

CHAIR WOODHOUSE:  
I will accept a motion to approve.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO DO PASS S.B. 101.

SENATOR PARKS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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CHAIR WOODHOUSE:  
We will move on to S.B. 214. We will not take any further action on this item.

**SENATE BILL 214**: Authorizes the Nevada System of Higher Education to create a faculty compensation system that includes regular in-rank salary increases. (BDR 34-382)

We will move on to S.B. 485 which revises provisions relating to the education of certain children from Nevada whom are patients or residents of certain hospitals or facilities located outside of this State.

**SENATE BILL 485**: Revises provisions relating to the education of certain children from Nevada who are patients or residents of certain hospitals or facilities located outside of this State. (BDR 34-397)

MR. KRMPOTIC:

Senate Bill 485 was heard in the Senate Finance Committee on April 1, 2019. As introduced, it amends NRS 387.1225 to authorize certain hospitals or other facilities licensed in the District of Columbia (D.C.) or another state or territory of the United States to request reimbursement from the Department of Education (DOE) for the cost of providing educational services to a child who the Department verifies is a patient or resident of the hospital or facility and is a resident of the State. The child must be admitted to a hospital or facility on an order from a physician, because the necessary treatment required of the child is not available in this State.

Section 2 of S.B. 485 authorizes the DOE, county school districts, charter schools and the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) to enter in to a cooperative agreement for the provision of educational services with any state or D.C. meets the requirements of the federal code and provides residential treatment to children and operates an accredited educational program.

The DOE is unable to determine a fiscal impact due to insufficient data regarding the number of students out of state and the districts from which they reside. They indicated out-of-state travel would potentially be required of their audit team due to the current practice for registrar and student record evaluations.

Churchill County submitted a fiscal note of \$12,000 in fiscal year (FY) 2020 and \$15,000 in FY 2021 citing S.B. 485 would take Distributive School Account (DSA) payments away from school districts. They do not receive funding from the DSA for children out of state. Other school districts anticipated no fiscal impact. The Office of the Military, Nevada Charter School Authority, DPBH and the DHHS Division of Child and Family Services indicate no fiscal impact.

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Senate Bill 485 was presented by Chair Woodhouse. Testimony in support of S.B. 485 was presented by Dan Musgrove, Vice President, Strategies 360, Universal Health Services; Michael Lyons, Vice President, Specialty Education, Behavioral Health Division, Universal Health Services, Inc. and Lindsay Anderson, Director, Government Affairs, Washoe County School District.

There are two amendments presented. The proposed conceptual amendment to S.B. 485 version 2 ([Exhibit C](#)) was submitted by the Washoe County School District. The conceptual amendment for S.B. 485 ([Exhibit D](#)) was submitted by the DOE.

CHAIR WOODHOUSE:

I will request the Committee process S.B. 485 with a do pass from the original bill, as introduced. I will ask the DOE and other individuals working on this measure to resolve issues. We have approximately ten days to resolve issues. This is the third session trying to resolve issues. I will accept a motion to due pass S.B. 485 as introduced.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO DO PASS S.B. 485.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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CHAIR WOODHOUSE:

Seeing no further public comment, this Committee meeting is adjourned at  
11:35 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Vicki Kemp,  
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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Senator Joyce Woodhouse, Chair

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

EXHIBIT SUMMARY				
Bill	Exhibit / # of pages		Witness / Entity	Description
	A	1		Agenda
	B	1		Attendance Roster
S.B. 485	C	1	Mark Krmpotic/LCB	Conceptual Amendment for S.B. 485 by Washoe County
S.B. 485	D	1	Mark Krmpotic/LCB	Conceptual Amendment for S.B. 485 by Department of Education