Amendment No. 546

Senate A	(BDR 34-968)						
Proposed by: Senate Committee on Finance							
Amends:	Summary: No	Title: No	Preamble: No	Joint Sponsorship: No	Digest: Yes		

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of <u>green bold underlining</u> is newly added language; (3) red strikethrough is deleted language in the original bill; (4) purple double strikethrough is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) *fuehsia double strikethrough* is new language in the bill proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (6) <u>orange double underlining</u> is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment.

SHORT FORM AMENDMENT

Section 2 of this act is the only section affected by this amendment.

EGO :

S.B. No. 273—Changes the name of the Nevada State College to the Nevada State University. (BDR 34-968)

Date: 5/12/2023

If this amendment is adopted, the Legislative Counsel's Digest will be changed as follows:

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Article 11 of the Nevada Constitution requires the Nevada Legislature to provide for the establishment of a State University that is controlled by a Board of Regents whose duties are prescribed by law. (Nev. Const. Art. 11, § 4) Existing law provides for the establishment of the Nevada System of Higher Education, which consists of the State University and other educational institutions, programs and operations. (NRS 396.020) Assembly Bill No. 220 of the 70th Session of the Nevada Legislature established an advisory committee to examine the issue of locating a 4-year state college in Henderson, Nevada. (Chapter 513, Statutes of Nevada 1999, at page 2625) The advisory committee recommended naming the proposed state college the Nevada State College at Henderson. (Minutes of the Advisory Committee to Examine Locating a 4-Year State College in Henderson, February 4, 2000)

Section 5 of this bill changes the name of the Nevada State College to the Nevada State University and directs the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to take all necessary steps to implement the name change. Sections 1 and 5 of this bill designate Nevada State University as a state college. Sections 2-4 of this bill make conforming changes to replace references in the Nevada Revised Statutes to the Nevada State College with references to Nevada State University. Section 2 also removes a reference to Sierra Nevada College, which was acquired by the University of Nevada, Reno, in 2022. Section 6 of this bill directs the Legislative Counsel, in preparing supplements to the Nevada Administrative Code, to reflect the name change made in section 5.

Section 2 of Senate Bill No. 273 is hereby amended as follows:

- **Sec. 2.** NRS 396.945 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 396.945 1. The Board shall annually award the Memorial Scholarship to:
- (a) Two recipients who are students enrolled at:
- (1) The University of Nevada, Reno, <u>or</u> Great Basin College : [or Sierra Nevada College:]
- (2) A nonprofit university which awards a bachelor's degree in education to residents of northern Nevada; or
- (3) Any other college or university which awards a bachelor's degree in education and which is designated by the Board as an institution representative of northern Nevada; and
 - (b) Two recipients who are students enrolled at:
- (1) The University of Nevada, Las Vegas, or Nevada State [College;] University;
- (2) A nonprofit university which awards a bachelor's degree in education to residents of southern Nevada; or
- (3) Any other college or university which awards a bachelor's degree in education and which is designated by the Board as an institution representative of southern Nevada.
- 2. The Board shall establish additional criteria governing the annual selection of each recipient of the Memorial Scholarship, which must include, without limitation, a requirement that a recipient:
- (a) Be in or entering his or her senior year at an academic institution described in subsection 1;

- (b) Satisfy the eligibility requirements for a Millennium Scholarship set forth in NRS 396.930;
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 396.158, have a college grade point average of not less than 3.5 on a 4.0 grading scale or, if enrolled at an academic institution that does not use a grade point system to measure academic performance, present evidence acceptable to the Board that demonstrates a commensurate level of academic achievement;
 - (d) Have a declared major in elementary education or secondary education;
- (e) Have a stated commitment to teaching in this State following graduation; and
 - (f) Have a record of community service.
- 3. A student who satisfies the criteria established pursuant to this section may apply for a Memorial Scholarship by submitting an application to the Office of the State Treasurer on a form provided on the Internet website of the State Treasurer.
- 4. The State Treasurer shall forward all applications received pursuant to subsection 3 to the Board. The Board shall review and evaluate each application received from the State Treasurer and select each recipient of the Memorial Scholarship in accordance with the criteria established pursuant to this section.
- 5. To the extent of available money in the account established pursuant to NRS 396.940, the annual Memorial Scholarship may be awarded to each selected recipient in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 to pay the educational expenses of the recipient for the school year which are authorized by subsection 6 and which are not otherwise paid for by the Millennium Scholarship awarded to the recipient.
 - 6. A Memorial Scholarship must be used only:
 - (a) For the payment of registration fees and laboratory fees and expenses;
 - (b) To purchase required textbooks and course materials; and
- (c) For other costs related to the attendance of the student at the academic institution in which he or she is enrolled.
- 7. As used in this section, "Board" means the Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada created by NRS 353B.005.