SENATE BILL NO. 231–SENATORS CANNIZZARO, DONDERO LOOP, LANGE, D. HARRIS, DALY; DONATE, FLORES, NEAL, NGUYEN, OHRENSCHALL, PAZINA, SCHEIBLE AND SPEARMAN

MARCH 8, 2023

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN YEAGER, JAUREGUI, MONROE-MORENO, MARZOLA, C.H. MILLER; ANDERSON, BACKUS, BILBRAY-AXELROD, COHEN, CONSIDINE, D'SILVA, DURAN, GONZÁLEZ, GORELOW, MOSCA, NEWBY, NGUYEN, ORENTLICHER, PETERS, TAYLOR, THOMAS, TORRES AND WATTS

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes an appropriation to the Interim Finance Committee for allocation to school districts that budget salary increases for certain employees. (BDR S-508)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.

Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT making an appropriation to the Interim Finance Committee for allocation to school districts that budget salary increases for certain employees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Section 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Interim Finance Committee the sum of \$250,000,000 for allocation to school districts for the support of public schools.



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- 2. Money appropriated by subsection 1 may only be allocated to a school district upon the determination of the Interim Finance Committee that:
- (a) Sufficient documentation has been submitted to demonstrate that:
- (1) The school district has budgeted for Fiscal Years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 an increase to the salary of teachers, other licensed educational personnel or paraprofessionals employed by the school district from sources other than the appropriation made by subsection 1, which is in addition to any increase in salary for teachers, other licensed educational personnel or paraprofessionals which was planned or bargained for before the effective date of this act; and
- (2) The increase in salary budgeted pursuant to subparagraph (1) does not replace or supplant any other form of compensation which was provided to teachers, other licensed educational personnel or paraprofessionals of the school district before Fiscal Year 2023-2024 or which was bargained for or planned for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 or any succeeding fiscal year before the effective date of this act.
- (b) The school district has submitted to the Committee a statement of the amount and percentage of the budgeted increase in salary for teachers, other licensed educational personnel or paraprofessionals described in subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) and the total cost to the school district to provide the budgeted increase in salary.
- (c) The superintendent of the school district has submitted to the Committee a signed statement certifying that, to the best of his or her knowledge or belief, the information submitted pursuant to paragraph (b) is accurate and that the school district will provide the budgeted salary increases set forth therein.
- 3. The money allocated to a school district pursuant to subsection 2 must not exceed the lesser of:
- (a) The total amount of the budgeted increase to salaries for teachers, other licensed educational personnel and paraprofessionals of the school district for Fiscal Years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 from sources other than the appropriation made by subsection 1, not including any increase in salary which was planned or bargained for before the effective date of this act; or
- (b) An amount which is equal to \$250,000,000 multiplied by a percentage which is the number of teachers, other licensed educational personnel and paraprofessionals employed by the school district on July 1, 2023, expressed as a percentage of the total number of teachers, other licensed educational personnel and





paraprofessionals employed in all of the school districts in this State on July 1, 2023.

- 4. On or before August 1, 2023, each school district in this State shall report to the Department of Education the number of teachers, other licensed educational personnel and paraprofessionals employed by the school district on July 1, 2023. The Department of Education shall compile this information and submit it to the Interim Finance Committee not later than August 15, 2023.
- 5. The money appropriated by subsection 1 must be used to supplement and not supplant or cause to be reduced any other source of funding for the support of public schools or for the salary and compensation of teachers, other licensed educational personnel or paraprofessionals employed by any public school.
- 6. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2025, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 19, 2025, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 19, 2025.
 - As used in this section:
- (a) "Other licensed educational personnel" means a person who is licensed pursuant to chapter 391 of NRS and is not a teacher.
- (b) "Paraprofessional" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 391.008.
 - (c) "Teacher" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 385A.430.
 - **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.





