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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 appropriations to the Interim Finance Committee for allocation to school districts that budget salary increases for certain employees and to the Department of Education for certain personnel costs. (BDR S-508)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted 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; making an appropriation to the Department of Education for certain personnel costs; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

1 **Section 1.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State
2 General Fund to the Interim Finance Committee the sum of



1 \$250,000,000 for allocation to school districts for the support of
2 public schools.

3 2. Money appropriated by subsection 1 may only be allocated
4 to a school district upon the determination of the Interim Finance
5 Committee that:

6 (a) Sufficient documentation has been submitted to demonstrate
7 that:

8 (1) The school district has budgeted for Fiscal Years 2023-
9 2024 and 2024-2025 an increase to the salary of teachers and
10 education support professionals employed by the school district
11 from sources other than the appropriation made by subsection 1,
12 which is in addition to any increase in salary for teachers or
13 education support professionals which was planned or bargained for
14 before the effective date of this act; and

15 (2) The increase in salary budgeted pursuant to subparagraph
16 (1) does not replace or supplant any other form of compensation
17 which was provided to teachers or education support professionals
18 of the school district before Fiscal Year 2023-2024 or which was
19 bargained for or planned for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 or any
20 succeeding fiscal year before the effective date of this act.

21 (b) The school district has submitted to the Committee a
22 statement of the amount and percentage of the budgeted increase in
23 salary for teachers and education support professionals described in
24 subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) and the total cost to the school
25 district to provide the budgeted increase in salary.

26 (c) The superintendent of the school district has submitted to the
27 Committee a signed statement certifying that, to the best of his or
28 her knowledge or belief, the information submitted pursuant to
29 paragraph (b) is accurate and that the school district will provide the
30 budgeted salary increases set forth therein.

31 3. The money allocated to a school district pursuant to
32 subsection 2 must not exceed the lesser of:

33 (a) The total amount of the budgeted increase to salaries for
34 teachers and education support professionals of the school district
35 for Fiscal Years 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 from sources other than
36 the appropriation made by subsection 1, not including any increase
37 in salary which was planned or bargained for before the effective
38 date of this act; or

39 (b) An amount which is equal to \$250,000,000 multiplied by a
40 percentage which is the number of teachers and education support
41 professionals employed by the school district on July 1, 2023,
42 expressed as a percentage of the total number of teachers and
43 education support professionals employed in all of the school
44 districts in this State on July 1, 2023.



1 4. On or before August 1, 2023, each school district in this
2 State shall report to the Department of Education the number of
3 teachers and education support professionals employed by the
4 school district on July 1, 2023. The Department of Education shall
5 compile this information and submit it to the Interim Finance
6 Committee not later than August 15, 2023.

7 5. The money appropriated by subsection 1 must be used to
8 supplement and not supplant or cause to be reduced any other source
9 of funding for the support of public schools or for the salary and
10 compensation of teachers or education support professionals
11 employed by any public school.

12 6. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by
13 subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30,
14 2025, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity
15 to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise
16 transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated
17 money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after
18 September 19, 2025, by either the entity to which the money was
19 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently
20 granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General
21 Fund on or before September 19, 2025.

22 7. As used in this section:

23 (a) "Administrator" has the meaning ascribed to it in
24 NRS 385A.430.

25 (b) "Education support professional" means a person, other than
26 a teacher or administrator, who is employed to work at a public
27 school, including, without limitation:

28 (1) Paraprofessionals;

29 (2) School police officers, school resource officers and other
30 providers of security services at a school;

31 (3) School nurses;

32 (4) School counselors;

33 (5) School psychologists;

34 (6) School social workers;

35 (7) Drivers of school buses;

36 (8) Secretaries;

37 (9) Members of the custodial or maintenance staff; and

38 (10) Workers in food services.

39 (c) "Teacher" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 385A.430.

40 **Sec. 1.5.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State
41 General Fund to the Department of Education the sum of \$41,694
42 for personnel costs to carry out the provisions of section 1 of this
43 act.

44 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by
45 subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30,



1 2024, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity
2 to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise
3 transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated
4 money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after
5 September 20, 2024, by either the entity to which the money was
6 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently
7 granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General
8 Fund on or before September 20, 2024.

9 **Sec. 2.** 1. This section and section 1 of this act become
10 effective upon passage and approval.

11 2. Section 1.5 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.

