

SENATE BILL NO. 195—SENATORS LANGE, DONDERO LOOP; DENIS, OHRENSCHALL AND SEEVERS GANSERT

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Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to education. (BDR 34-677)

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

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to education; providing that pupils who are awarded a State Seal in any subject may receive credit at a community college, state college or university in that subject; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish
2 various state seals to be awarded to pupils who graduate high school with a high
3 level of proficiency in the subjects of Biliteracy, STEM, Financial Literacy and
4 STEAM. (NRS 388.591, 388.594, 388.596, 388.597) This bill requires the
5 Superintendent of Public Instruction to enter into a cooperative agreement with one
6 or more community colleges, state colleges and universities to grant credit for
7 courses in a subject at the community college, state college or university for which
8 a pupil is awarded a State Seal. This bill also sets forth the requirements for a
9 cooperative agreement.

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

1 Section 1. Chapter 388 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall enter into a
4 cooperative agreement with one or more community colleges, state
5 colleges or universities to grant credit for courses in a subject at
6 the community college, state college or university for which a
7 pupil is awarded a State Seal pursuant to this chapter.



1       2. *Each cooperative agreement entered into pursuant to this*  
2 *section must include, without limitation:*

3       (a) *Provisions specifying the amount of credit to be granted to*  
4 *a pupil who is awarded a State Seal pursuant to this chapter;*

5       (b) *A requirement that any credits earned by a pupil who is*  
6 *awarded a State Seal pursuant to this chapter must be applied*  
7 *toward earning a credential, certificate or degree at the*  
8 *community college, state college or university that grants awards*  
9 *the credit;*

10       (c) *An explanation of the manner in which the tuition for the*  
11 *credit will be paid, including, without limitation, whether:*

12       (1) *The school district, charter school or university school*  
13 *for profoundly gifted pupils in which the pupil was enrolled when*  
14 *the pupil was awarded the State Seal pursuant to this chapter will*  
15 *pay all or a portion of the tuition for the credit;*

16       (2) *The pupil is responsible for paying all or a portion of*  
17 *the tuition for the credit;*

18       (3) *Grants from the Department are available and will be*  
19 *applied to pay all or a portion of the tuition for the credit; and*

20       (4) *Any other funding source, including federal funding*  
21 *sources or sources from private entities, will be applied by the*  
22 *school district, charter school or university school for profoundly*  
23 *gifted pupils to pay all or a portion of the tuition for the credit;*  
24 *and*

25       (d) *Any other financial or other provisions that the school*  
26 *district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted*  
27 *pupils and the community college, state college or university that*  
28 *provides the credit deem appropriate.*

29       3. *A community college, state college or university that grants*  
30 *credit to a pupil who is awarded a State Seal pursuant to this*  
31 *chapter shall provide to the Nevada System of Higher Education*  
32 *and the Department a copy of each cooperative agreement entered*  
33 *into by the community college, state college or university pursuant*  
34 *to subsection 1.*

35       4. *The Nevada System of Higher Education and the*  
36 *Department shall retain a copy of each cooperative agreement*  
37 *entered into pursuant to this section.*

38       **Sec. 2.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and  
39 approval.

40       2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective:

41       (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
42 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
43 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and



1 (b) On July 1, 2021, for all other purposes.

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