

SENATE BILL NO. 332—SENATORS ROBERSON,
FORD AND HAMMOND

MARCH 16, 2015

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes an appropriation to the Clark County School District to carry out a program of peer assistance and review of teachers. (BDR S-763)

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 Clark County School District to carry out a program of peer assistance and review of teachers; requiring the Clark County School District to use the money to provide assistance to teachers in meeting the standards of effective teaching; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law requires the State Board of Education to establish a statewide
2 performance evaluation system which includes a process for peer evaluations of
3 teachers by qualified educational personnel which is designed to provide assistance
4 to teachers in meeting the standards of effective teaching. (NRS 391.465) Existing
5 law also requires the board of trustees of each school district to submit a report to
6 the State Board and the Teachers and Leaders Council of Nevada concerning the
7 implementation and effectiveness of the process for peer evaluations of teachers.
8 (NRS 391.470) This bill appropriates money for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 and Fiscal
9 Year 2016-2017 to the Clark County School District to carry out a program of peer
10 assistance and review for teachers. This bill requires the Clark County School
11 District to use the money to provide certain assistance to teachers in the School
12 District in meeting the standards for effective teaching.



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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 Clark County School District to carry out a
3 program of peer assistance and review of teachers the following
4 sums:

5 For the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 \$1,000,000
6 For the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 \$1,000,000

7 2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 of this
8 act remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be
9 committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal
10 years by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity
11 to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise
12 transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated
13 money must not be spent for any purpose after September 16, 2016,
14 and September 15, 2017, respectively, by either the entity to which
15 the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was
16 subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the
17 State General Fund on or before September 16, 2016, and
18 September 15, 2017, respectively.

19 3. Money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1 must be used
20 to provide assistance to teachers in the Clark County School District
21 in meeting the standards for effective teaching, including, without
22 limitation, by:

- 23 (a) Conducting observations and peer assistance and review; and
24 (b) Providing information and resources to teachers about
25 strategies for effective teaching.

26 4. The sums appropriated by subsection 1:

27 (a) Must be accounted for separately from any other money
28 received by the Clark County School District and used only for the
29 purposes specified in this section.

30 (b) May not be used to settle or arbitrate disputes between a
31 recognized organization representing employees of the school
32 district and the school district, or to settle any negotiations.

33 (c) May not be used to adjust the district-wide schedules of
34 salaries and benefits of the employees of the school district.

35 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.

