NRS 354.6421

NRS 354.6241 Contents of statement provided by local government to auditor; expenditure of excess reserves in certain funds; restrictions on use of budgeted ending fund balance in certain circumstances. [Effective July 1, 2021.]

- 1. The statement required by paragraph (a) of subsection 5 of <u>NRS 354.624</u> must indicate for each fund set forth in that paragraph:
 - (a) Whether the fund is being used in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.
 - (b) Whether the fund is being administered in accordance with generally accepted accounting procedures.
- (c) Whether the reserve in the fund is limited to an amount that is reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of the fund.
 - (d) The sources of revenues available for the fund during the fiscal year, including transfers from any other funds.
 - (e) The statutory and regulatory requirements applicable to the fund.
 - (f) The balance and retained earnings of the fund.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4 and <u>NRS 354.59891</u> and <u>354.613</u>, to the extent that the reserve in any fund set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 5 of <u>NRS 354.624</u> exceeds the amount that is reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes for which the fund was created, the reserve may be expended by the local government pursuant to the provisions of <u>chapter 288</u> of NRS.
- 3. For any local government other than a school district, for the purposes of <u>chapter 288</u> of NRS, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.67 percent of the total budgeted expenditures, less capital outlay, for a general fund:
 - (a) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization; and
- (b) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits.
- 4. For a school district, for the purposes of <u>chapter 288</u> of NRS, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.6 percent of the total budgeted expenditures for a county school district fund:
 - (a) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization; and
- (b) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits.
- (Added to NRS by <u>1995, 1934</u>; A <u>2001, 387, 1812; 2011, 1690; 2015, 2967; 2019, 3608, 4240</u>, effective July 1, 2021)

R002-20AP (1)

APPROVED REGULATION OF THE

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE

LCB File No. R002-20

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

AUTHORITY: §1-3, NRS 354.107.

A REGULATION relating to local government finance; amending provisions governing the exclusion of certain money from collective bargaining negotiations and from consideration in determining the ability of local governments to pay compensation and monetary benefits; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides that for a general fund of a local government other than a school district, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.67 percent of the total budgeted expenditures, less capital outlay, is not subject to collective bargaining negotiations and must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability to pay compensation or monetary benefits. (NRS 354.6241) Existing regulations contain similar language, but provide that a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 25 percent of the total budgeted expenditures, less capital outlay, is not subject to negotiations and must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability to pay. (NAC 354.660) Section 1 of this regulation adopts the percentage set forth in the statutory language to provide that for a local government other than a school district, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.67 percent of the total budgeted expenditures, less capital outlay, for a general fund, is not subject to negotiations and must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability to pay.

Existing regulations provide that a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 8.3 percent of the total budgeted expenditures, less capital outlay, for a school district general fund or a local government special revenue fund which receives revenue from property taxes or the Local Government Tax Distribution Account is not subject to negotiations and must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability to pay. (NAC 354.660) **Section 1** of this regulation removes the exclusion of capital outlay from total budgeted expenditures of such local government special revenue funds when determining the percentage of the budgeted ending fund balance that is excluded from collective bargaining negotiations and removes language excluding such funds from negotiations with other local governments.

Existing law provides that beginning with the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year, for a school district, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.6 percent of the total budgeted

expenditures for a county school district fund is not subject to collective bargaining negotiations and must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability to pay compensation or monetary benefits. (NRS 354.6241; section 81 of Senate Bill No. 543, chapter 624, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 4253) **Sections 2 and 3** of this regulation incorporate the statutory language to provide that beginning with the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year, for a school district, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.6 percent of the total budgeted expenditures for a county school district fund is not subject to collective bargaining negotiations and must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability to pay compensation or monetary benefits.

NEW FIRST PARALLEL SECTION

- **Section 1.** NAC 354.660 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 354.660 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, for the purposes of chapter 288 of NRS, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than [25] 16.67 percent of the total budgeted expenditures, less capital outlay, for a general fund:
 - (a) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization; and
- (b) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits.
- 2. [A] For the purposes of chapter 288 of NRS, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 8.3 percent of the total budgeted expenditures [, less capital outlay,] for a school district general fund or a local government special revenue fund which receives revenue from property taxes or the Local Government Tax Distribution Account:
- (a) Is not subject to negotiations with [other local governments or] an employee [organizations;] organization; and
- (b) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits.

NEW SECOND PARALLEL SECTION **Sec. 2.** NAC 354.660 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 354.660 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, for the purposes of chapter 288 of NRS, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.67 percent of the total budgeted expenditures, less capital outlay, for a general fund:
 - (a) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization; and
- (b) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits.
- 2. For the purposes of chapter 288 of NRS, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 8.3 percent of the total budgeted expenditures for [a school district general fund or] a local government special revenue fund which receives revenue from property taxes or the Local Government Tax Distribution Account:
 - (a) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization; and
- (b) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits.
- 3. For a school district, for the purposes of chapter 288 of NRS, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.6 percent of the total budgeted expenditures for a county school district fund:
 - (a) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization; and
- (b) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits.
- **Sec. 3.** 1. This section and section 1 of this regulation become effective on the date on which this regulation is filed by the Legislative Counsel with the Secretary of State.
 - 2. Section 2 of this regulation becomes effective:

- (a) On the date on which this regulation is filed by the Legislative Counsel with the Secretary of State for the purpose of creating each school district's budget for the fiscal year which begins on July 1, 2021; and
 - (b) On July 1, 2021, for all other purposes.

SB439

Senate Bill No. 439–Committee on Finance

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to education; revising provisions relating to the Education Gift Fund; revising the sources of revenue for the State Education Fund; revising the method for determining the amount of and distributing money to support the operation of the public schools in this State; revising the method for providing additional money to support pupils with disabilities; transferring responsibility for apportioning money relating to the National School Lunch Program from the Superintendent of Public Instruction to the Director of the State Department of Agriculture; eliminating requirements for the Department of Education to prepare and submit certain reports; eliminating certain accounts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law declares that "the proper objective of state financial aid to public education is to ensure each Nevada child a reasonably equal educational opportunity" and, beginning with the 2021-2023 biennium, replaces the Nevada Plan with the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan as the formula for distribution of state financial aid to the public schools in this State to accomplish that objective. (NRS 387.121) Existing law creates the State Education Fund for the purpose of supporting the operation of the public schools in this State and identifies the sources of revenue for the Fund. (NRS 387.1212) Sections 2, 31, 32, 33 and 34 of this bill include the proceeds of certain additional sources of revenue in the State Education Fund. Section 2 additionally: (1) excludes the interest and income earned on the direct legislative appropriation to the State Education Fund from being credited to the Fund; and (2) eliminates the authorization for the Superintendent of Public Instruction to create one or more accounts in the Fund as necessary to segregate money required to be administered separately by federal law. Section 14 of this bill makes conforming changes relating to the elimination of the authority of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to create such accounts.

Existing law establishes the Education Stabilization Account and authorizes the Interim Finance Committee to direct the State Controller to transfer money from the Education Stabilization Account to the State Education Fund if the Committee finds that the collection of revenue in any fiscal year will result in the State Education Fund receiving 97 percent or less of the money authorized for expenditure from the State Education Fund. (NRS 387.1213) **Section 3** of this bill: (1) additionally allows the Department of Education to submit a request to the Interim Finance Committee to approve a transfer from the Education Stabilization Account to the State Education Fund if the actual enrollment growth exceeds the projected enrollment growth by an amount that makes such a transfer necessary; and (2) requires the transfer, up to the maximum amount established by existing law, of any remaining balance in the State Education Fund to the Education Stabilization Account at the end of each biennium, rather than at the end of each fiscal year.

Existing law requires the Legislature to appropriate money from the State Education Fund, less the money in the Education Stabilization Account, to fund, in an amount determined sufficient by the Legislature: (1) the operation of the State

Board of Education, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Department of Education; (2) the food service, transportation and similar services of the school districts; (3) the operation of each school district for all pupils generally through adjusted base per pupil funding for each pupil enrolled in the school district; (4) the operation of each charter school and university school for profoundly gifted pupils for all pupils generally through a statewide base per pupil funding amount for each pupil enrolled in such a school, with an adjustment for certain schools; and (5) the additional educational needs of English learners, at-risk pupils, pupils with disabilities and gifted and talented pupils through additional weighted funding for each such pupil. (NRS 387.1214) Section 4 eliminates the requirement to fund the operation of the State Board of Education, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Department of Education from the State Education Fund. Section 4 also eliminates the requirement to provide funding for the additional educational needs of pupils with disabilities through additional weighted funding for each such pupil from the State Education Fund. Sections 4, 6, 8, 13, 22, 23 and 36 of this bill instead require the establishment of a statewide multiplier for the support of pupils with disabilities in a manner generally consistent with the Nevada Plan and funded using the Account for Special Education Services in the State General Fund. Sections 7, 10 and 11 of this bill make conforming changes to reflect the elimination of the requirement to fund the operation of the State Board of Education, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Department of Education from the State Education Fund.

Existing law establishes certain factors which are applied to the statewide base per pupil funding amount to create the adjusted base per pupil funding for each school district and certain charter schools and university schools for profoundly gifted pupils. (NRS 387.1215-387.1218) **Section 39** of this bill repeals the adjustment for each necessarily small school in a school district. **Section 5** of this bill revises the adjustment for small school districts to instead be an adjustment for the increased cost per pupil to a school district to operate public schools in which relatively fewer pupils are enrolled. **Sections 13 and 15** of this bill make conforming changes to reflect the changes to the adjustment factors.

Existing law requires any amount by which the actual ending fund balance of a county school district fund exceeds 16.6 percent of the total actual expenditures for the fund to be transferred to the Education Stabilization Account. (NRS 387.1213) If a county school district fund exceeded 16.6 percent of the total budgeted expenditures for the fund for the fiscal year which ended on June 30, 2020, existing law allows a school district to maintain not more than such an excess in succeeding fiscal years until the school district has an ending fund balance of 16.6 percent or less. (Section 77 of Senate Bill No. 543, chapter 624, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 4252) **Section 3** of this bill revises this requirement to apply to an excess of the total budgeted expenditures for a county school district fund rather than the total actual expenditures.

Existing law authorizes the State Board of Education to accept gifts of money and requires such gifts to be deposited in the Education Gift Fund. (NRS 385.083) **Section 1** of this bill requires the interest and income earned on the money in the Education Gift Fund to be credited to the Fund and requires the balance in the Fund at the end of a fiscal year to be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to apportion certain money designated for the National School Lunch Program to those school districts that participate in the Program. (NRS 387.124) **Section 9** of this bill transfers that duty to the Director of the State Department of Agriculture. **Sections 10, 12, 17, 24 and 26** of this bill make conforming changes relating to this transfer.

Existing law establishes certain reporting requirements for the Department of Education and for each school district and public school relating to educational expenditures. (NRS 387.12468) **Section 16** of this bill: (1) eliminates such requirements for the Department of Education; and (2) requires such a report by a public school to be posted on an appropriate Internet website.

Existing law requires the Department of Education, in consultation with the Budget Division of the Office of Finance and the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, to establish a recommended minimum expenditure on textbooks, instructional supplies, instructional software and instructional hardware for public schools. (NRS 387.206) Section 18 of this bill revises provisions relating to the timing of such recommendations. Section 19 of this bill requires a certain report published by the Department relating to such expenditures to be published on the Internet website maintained by the Department.

Existing law establishes certain requirements relating to the submission of budgets and expenditures by school districts. (NRS 387.303) **Section 20** of this bill transfers responsibility to prescribe the format for a compilation of reports of such information from the Director of the Department of Administration to the Director of the Office of Finance. **Section 20** additionally eliminates the authority of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to make certain adjustments when preparing the biennial budget request for the State Education Fund.

Existing law excludes a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.6 percent of the total budgeted expenditures for a county school district fund from being considered for collective bargaining purposes. (NRS 354.6241) **Section 32.5** of this bill reduces the portion of a budgeted ending fund balance of a county school district fund which is not subject to collective bargaining from 16.6 percent to 12 percent.

Existing law establishes certain accounts relating to education, including the Educational Trust Account, the Bullying Prevention Account, the Account for Instruction in Financial Literacy, the Account for Computer Education and Technology, the Grant Fund for Incentives for Licensed Educational Personnel and the Great Teaching and Leading Fund. (NRS 120A.610, 388.1325, 388.895, 391.369, 391A.400, 391A.500) Sections 31 and 39 of this bill eliminate these accounts. Sections 21, 25 and 27-30 of this bill make conforming changes relating to the elimination of such accounts. Section 38 of this bill provides for the reversion or transfer of money in such accounts that has not been committed for expenditure before July 1, 2021.

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

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

Section 1. NRS 385.083 is hereby amended to read as follows: 385.083 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 385.091:

1. All gifts of money which the State Board is authorized to accept must be deposited in a special revenue fund in the State Treasury designated as the Education Gift Fund and reported pursuant to subsection 4. The interest and income earned on the sum of the money in the Education Gift Fund must be credited to the Fund. Any money remaining in the Education Gift Fund at

the end of the fiscal year must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

- 2. The money available in the Education Gift Fund must be used only for the purpose specified by the donor, within the scope of the State Board's powers and duties.
- 3. If all or part of the money accepted by the State Board from a donor is not expended before the end of any fiscal year, the remaining balance of the amount donated must remain in the Education Gift Fund until needed for the purpose specified by the donor.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the State Board shall record each gift of money deposited in the Education Gift Fund pursuant to this section and prepare a report which includes, for each such gift:
 - (a) The amount of the gift;
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the name of the donor of the gift;
- (c) Any instructions provided by the donor concerning the use of the gift; and
- (d) Information concerning any connection between the donor and the State Board or the administration of the system of public education in this State, including, without limitation:
 - (1) Any contract between the donor and the State Board;
- (2) Any contract between the donor and the State Public Charter School Authority;
 - (3) Any bid by the donor for a contract with the State Board;
- (4) Any bid by the donor for a contract with the State Public Charter School Authority;
- (5) If the donor is a lobbyist as defined in NRS 218H.080, a statement of whether the donor lobbies on issues of interest to the State Board or relating to the system of public education in this State; and
- (6) Any service by the donor on a committee to form a charter school created pursuant to NRS 388A.240.
 - 5. This section does not apply to any gift of money:
- (a) In an amount less than \$100,000, unless the cumulative total by the same donor within a 12-month period is equal to or more than \$100,000; or
 - (b) That is intended for a public broadcasting service.
- 6. A donor may remain anonymous for purposes of the report prepared pursuant to subsection 4, unless the donor is required to provide information pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 4.

- 7. The State Board may submit a form to each donor that requires the donor to provide the information required for inclusion in the report prepared pursuant to subsection 4. If the State Board uses such a form, the State Board may rely upon the information provided by the donor on the form for purposes of the report required of the State Board pursuant to subsection 4 and the State Board is not otherwise required to verify the contents of the information provided by the donor on the form.
- 8. The State Board shall include the report prepared pursuant to subsection 4 on the agenda of the next regular meeting of the State Board held pursuant to NRS 385.040 and review all transactions involving a gift listed on the report that have taken place since the previous meeting of the State Board.
- 9. On or before February 1 of each year, the State Board shall transmit each report prepared pursuant to subsection 4 in the immediately preceding year:
- (a) In odd-numbered years, to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the next regular session of the Legislature; and
- (b) In even-numbered years, to the Legislative Committee on Education.
 - **Sec. 2.** NRS 387.1212 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.1212 1. The State Education Fund is hereby created as a special revenue fund to be administered by the Superintendent of Public Instruction for the purpose of supporting the operation of the public schools in this State. The interest and income earned on the money in the Fund, *excluding the direct legislative appropriation from the State General Fund required by subsection 3, must,* after deducting any applicable charges, [must] be credited to the Fund.
- 2. Money which must be deposited for credit to the State Education Fund includes, without limitation:
- (a) All money derived from interest on the State Permanent School Fund, as provided in NRS 387.030;
- (b) The proceeds of the tax imposed pursuant to NRS 244.33561 and any applicable penalty or interest, less any amount retained by the county treasurer for the actual cost of collecting and administering the tax;
- (c) The proceeds of the tax imposed pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 387.195;
 - (d) The money identified in subsection 8 of NRS 120A.610;
- (e) The portion of the money in each special account created pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 179.1187 which is identified in paragraph (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 179.1187;

- [(e)] (f) The money identified in paragraph (d) of subsection 6 of NRS 278C.250;
 - (g) The money identified in subsection 1 of NRS 328.450;
 - (h) The money identified in subsection 1 of NRS 328.460;
- [(g)] (i) The money identified in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of NRS 360.850;
- [(h)] (j) The money identified in paragraph (a) of subsection 2 of NRS 360.855;
- [(i)] (k) The money required to be paid over to the State Treasurer for deposit to the credit of the State Education Fund pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 362.170;
- [(i)] (1) The portion of the proceeds of the tax imposed pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 372A.290 identified in paragraph (b) of subsection 4 of NRS 372A.290;
- [(k)] (m) The proceeds of the tax imposed pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 372A.290;
- (n) The proceeds of the fees, taxes, interest and penalties imposed pursuant to chapter 374 of NRS, as transferred pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 374.785;
- [(m)] (o) The money identified in subsection 5 of NRS 445B.640;
- (p) The money identified in paragraph (b) of subsection 3 of NRS 678B.390:
- [(n)] (q) The portion of the proceeds of the excise tax imposed pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 463.385 identified in paragraph (c) of subsection 5 of NRS 463.385;
- [(o)] (r) The money required to be distributed to the State Education Fund pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 482.181;
- [(p)] (s) The portion of the proceeds of the fee imposed pursuant to NRS 488.075 identified in subsection 2 of NRS 488.075;
- (t) The portion of the net profits of the grantee of a franchise, right or privilege identified in NRS 709.110;
- [(q)] (u) The portion of the net profits of the grantee of a franchise identified in NRS 709.230;
- [(r)] (v) The portion of the net profits of the grantee of a franchise identified in NRS 709.270; and
- [(s)] (w) The direct legislative appropriation from the State General Fund required by subsection 3.
- 3. In addition to money from any other source provided by law, support for the State Education Fund must be provided by direct legislative appropriation from the State General Fund in an amount determined by the Legislature to be sufficient to fund the operation

of the public schools in this State for kindergarten through grade 12 for the next ensuing biennium for the population reasonably estimated for that biennium. Money in the State Education Fund does not revert to the State General Fund at the end of a fiscal year, and the balance in the State Education Fund must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

- 4. Money in the Fund must be paid out on claims as other claims against the State are paid.
- [5. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may create one or more accounts in the State Education Fund for the purpose of administering any money received from the Federal Government for the support of education and any State money required to be administered separately to satisfy any requirement imposed by the Federal Government. The money in any such account must not be considered when calculating the statewide base per pupil funding amount or appropriating money from the State Education Fund pursuant to NRS 387.1214. The interest and income earned on the money in any such account, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the account.]
 - **Sec. 3.** NRS 387.1213 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.1213 1. The Education Stabilization Account is hereby created in the State Education Fund. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, each year after the close of the previous fiscal year and before the issuance of the State Controller's annual report, each county school district shall transfer from the county school district fund to the Education Stabilization Account any amount by which the [actual] budgeted ending fund balance of the county school district fund exceeds 16.6 percent of the total [actual] budgeted expenditures for the fund. The interest and income earned on the money in the Account, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the Account.
- 2. Money transferred pursuant to subsection 1 to the Education Stabilization Account is a continuing appropriation solely for the purpose of authorizing the expenditure of the transferred money for the purposes set forth in this section.
- 3. The balance in the Education Stabilization Account must not exceed 15 percent of the total of all appropriations and authorizations from the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account, [or any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] for the immediately preceding fiscal year. Any money transferred to the Education Stabilization Account which exceeds this amount must instead be transferred to the State Education Fund.

- 4. If the Interim Finance Committee finds that [the]:
- (a) Upon submission of a request from the Department, the actual enrollment growth for a fiscal year exceeds the projected enrollment growth by an amount that the Interim Finance Committee determines would make a transfer of money to the State Education Fund necessary to fund the excess enrollment; or
- (b) The collection of revenue in any fiscal year will result in the State Education Fund receiving 97 percent or less of the money authorized for expenditure from the State Education Fund,
- the Committee shall by resolution establish an amount of money to transfer from the Education Stabilization Account to the State Education Fund and direct the State Controller to transfer that amount to the State Education Fund. The State Controller shall thereupon make the transfer.
- 5. The balance remaining in the State Education Fund, excluding the balance remaining in the Education Stabilization Account, [or any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] that has not been committed for expenditure on or before June 30 of [each] an odd-numbered fiscal year must be transferred to the Education Stabilization Account to the extent that such a transfer would not cause the balance in the Education Stabilization Account to exceed the limit established in subsection 3.
 - **Sec. 4.** NRS 387.1214 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.1214 After a direct legislative appropriation is made to the State Education Fund from the State General Fund pursuant to NRS 387.1212, the Legislature shall determine the statewide base per pupil funding amount for each fiscal year of the biennium, which is the amount of money expressed on a per pupil basis for the projected enrollment of the public schools in this State, determined to be sufficient by the Legislature to fund the costs of all public schools in this State to operate and provide general education to all pupils for any purpose for which specific funding is not appropriated pursuant to paragraph $\frac{(a)}{(b)}$ (a) or $\frac{(e)}{(d)}$ of subsection 2 figure or NRS 387.122. It is the intent of the Legislature that the statewide base per pupil funding amount for any fiscal year, to the extent practicable, be not less than the statewide base per pupil funding amount for the immediately preceding fiscal year, adjusted by inflation, unless the amount of money contained in the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account, for any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] decreases from the preceding fiscal year. If the amount of money contained in the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account, for any account created pursuant

- to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] decreases from the preceding fiscal year, it is the intent of the Legislature that a proportional reduction be made in both the statewide base per pupil funding amount and the weighted funding appropriated pursuant to paragraph $\{(e)\}$ (d) of subsection 2.
- 2. After a direct legislative appropriation is made to the State Education Fund from the State General Fund pursuant to NRS 387.1212, the money in the State Education Fund, excluding any amount of money in the Education Stabilization Account, [or in any account established pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] must be appropriated as established by law for each fiscal year of the biennium for the following purposes:
- (a) [To the Department, an amount of money determined to be sufficient by the Legislature, when combined with any other resources available for this purpose, to fund the operation of the State Board, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Department, including, without limitation, the statewide administration and oversight of the public schools and any educational programs administered by this State.
- (b) To each school district, an amount of money determined to be sufficient by the Legislature, when combined with any other resources available for this purpose, to provide food services and transportation for pupils and any other similar service that the Legislature deems appropriate.
- [(e)] (b) To each school district, an amount of money determined to be sufficient by the Legislature, when combined with any other resources available for this purpose, to provide adjusted base per pupil funding for each pupil estimated to be enrolled in the school district.
- [(d)] (c) To each charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils, an amount of money determined to be sufficient by the Legislature, when combined with any other resources available for this purpose, to provide:
- (1) The statewide base per pupil funding amount for each pupil estimated to be enrolled full-time in a program of distance education provided by the charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils; and
- (2) Adjusted base per pupil funding for each pupil estimated to be enrolled in the charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils other than a pupil identified in subparagraph (1).
- (d) To each school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils, an amount of money determined

to be sufficient by the Legislature, when combined with any other resources available for this purpose, to provide additional weighted funding for each pupil estimated to be enrolled in the school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils who is:

- (1) An English learner;
- (2) An at-risk pupil; or
- (3) [A pupil with a disability; or
- (4) A gifted and talented pupil.
- 3. The adjusted base per pupil funding appropriated pursuant to paragraph <code>[(e)]</code> (b) of subsection 2 for each school district must be determined by applying the cost adjustment factor established pursuant to NRS 387.1215 which applies to the school district <code>[, the adjustment for necessarily small schools established pursuant to NRS 387.1216 which applies to the school district] and the <code>[small]</code> district equity adjustment established pursuant to NRS 387.1218 which applies to the school district to the statewide base per pupil funding amount.</code>
- 4. The adjusted base per pupil funding appropriated pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph [(d)] (c) of subsection 2 for each charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils must be determined by applying the cost adjustment factor established pursuant to NRS 387.1215 which applies to the charter school or university school to the statewide base per pupil funding amount.
- 5. The weighted funding appropriated pursuant to paragraph <code>[(e)]</code> (d) of subsection 2 must be established separately for each category of pupils identified in that paragraph and expressed as a multiplier to be applied to the statewide base per pupil funding amount determined pursuant to subsection 1. A pupil who belongs to more than one category of pupils or for whom a school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils is eligible to receive the statewide multiplier pursuant to NRS 387.122 must receive only the weighted funding for the single category to which the pupil belongs which has the largest multiplier <code>[.]</code> or the statewide multiplier, whichever is larger. It is the intent of the Legislature that, to the extent practicable:
- (a) The multiplier for each category of pupils for any fiscal year be not less than the multiplier for the immediately preceding fiscal year unless:
- (1) The amount of money contained in the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account, [or any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] decreases from the preceding fiscal year, in which event it is the

intent of the Legislature that a proportional reduction be made in both the statewide base per pupil funding amount and the weighted funding appropriated pursuant to paragraph $\frac{\{(e)\}}{\{d\}}$ of subsection 2; or

- (2) The amount of money contained in the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account, [or any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] increases from the preceding fiscal year but in an amount which, after funding the appropriations required by paragraphs (a) [to (d), inclusive,], (b) and (c) of subsection 2, is insufficient to fund the multiplier for each category of pupils, in which event it is the intent of the Legislature that the remaining money in the State Education Fund be used to provide a multiplier for each category of pupils which is as close as practicable to the multiplier for the preceding fiscal year;
- (b) The recommendations of the Commission for the multiplier for each category of pupils be considered and the multiplier for one category of pupils may be changed by an amount that is not proportional to the change in the multiplier for one or more other categories of pupils if the Legislature determines that a disproportionate need to serve the pupils in the affected category exists; and
- (c) If the multipliers for all categories of pupils in a fiscal year are increased from the multipliers in the immediately preceding fiscal year, a proportional increase is considered for the statewide base per pupil funding amount.
- 6. For any money identified in subsection 4 of NRS 362.170 which is deposited to the credit of the State Education Fund:
- (a) The amount of such money for the county from which the money was collected that does not exceed the total amount of money appropriated pursuant to subsection 2 to the county school district is deemed to be the first money appropriated pursuant to subsection 2 for that county school district.
- (b) The amount of such money for the county from which the money was collected which exceeds the total amount of money appropriated pursuant to subsection 2 to the county school district must be transferred to the county school district and is hereby authorized for expenditure as a continuing appropriation for the purpose of mitigating the adverse effects of the cyclical nature of the industry of extracting and processing minerals on the ability of the county school district to offer its pupils a reasonably equal educational opportunity.

- 7. The weighted funding appropriated pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 2:
- (a) May not be used to settle or arbitrate disputes between a recognized organization representing employees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school and the school district or governing body or to settle any negotiations; and
- (b) May not be used to adjust the district-wide schedules of salaries and benefits of the employees of a school district.
 - **Sec. 5.** NRS 387.1218 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.1218 1. To account for the increased cost per pupil *to a school district* to operate [a school district] *public schools* in which relatively fewer pupils are enrolled, the Department shall establish by regulation a [small] district equity adjustment.
- 2. Not later than May 1 of each even-numbered year, the Department shall review and determine whether revisions are necessary to the method for calculating the [small] district equity adjustment. The Department shall present the review and any revisions at a meeting of the Legislative Committee on Education for consideration and recommendations by the Committee. After the meeting, the Department shall consider any recommendations of the Legislative Committee on Education, determine whether to include those recommendations and adopt by regulation any revision to the method. The Department shall submit any revision to the method to each school district, the Governor and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.
 - **Sec. 6.** NRS 387.122 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.122 1. [For making the apportionments of the State Distributive School Account in the State General Fund required by the provisions of this title, the basic support guarantee per pupil for each school district is established by law for each school year. The formula for calculating the basic support guarantee may be expressed as an estimated weighted average per pupil, based on the total expenditures for public education in the immediately preceding even numbered fiscal year, plus any legislative appropriations for the immediately succeeding biennium, minus those local funds not guaranteed by the State pursuant to NRS 387.163.
- 2. The estimated weighted average per pupil for the State must be calculated as a basic support guarantee for each school district through an equity allocation model that incorporates:
- (a) Factors relating to wealth in the school district;
- (b) Salary costs;
- (c) Transportation; and

- (d) Any other factor determined by the Superintendent of Public Instruction after consultation with the school districts and the State Public Charter School Authority.
- 3. The basic In addition to the support provided from the State Education Fund pursuant to NRS 387.1214, the support [guarantee per pupil] provided for the public schools of this State must include a statewide multiplier for pupils with disabilities. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the funding provided to each school district and charter school through the statewide multiplier for pupils with disabilities is limited to the actual number of pupils with disabilities enrolled in the school district or charter school, not to exceed 13 percent of total pupil enrollment for the school district or charter school.
- [4.] 2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if a school district or charter school has reported an enrollment of pupils with disabilities equal to more than 13 percent of total pupil enrollment, the school district or charter school must receive, for each such additional pupil, an amount of money equal to one-half of the statewide multiplier then in effect for pupils with disabilities. An apportionment made to a school district or charter school pursuant to this subsection is subject to change from year to year in accordance with the number of pupils with disabilities enrolled in the school district or charter school. If the money available for apportionment pursuant to this subsection is insufficient to make the apportionment otherwise required by this subsection, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall proportionately reduce the amount so apportioned to each school district and charter school. The Department shall account separately for any money apportioned pursuant to this subsection.
- [5. Not later than May 1 of each even numbered year, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall review and, if necessary, revise the factors used for the equity allocation model adopted for the previous biennium and present the review and any revisions at a meeting of the Legislative Committee on Education for consideration and recommendations by the Committee. After the meeting, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall consider any recommendations of the Legislative Committee on Education and determine whether to include those recommendations in the equity allocation model. Not earlier than July 1 of each even numbered year, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall adopt the equity allocation model. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall submit the equity allocation model to the:
- (a) Governor for inclusion in the proposed executive budget.

- (b) Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the next regular session of the Legislature.
- 6. The Department shall make available updated information regarding the equity allocation model on the Internet website maintained by the Department.]
 - **Sec. 7.** NRS 387.1223 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.1223 1. On or before October 1, January 1, April 1 and July 1, each school district shall report to the Department, in the form prescribed by the Department, the average daily enrollment of pupils pursuant to this section for the immediately preceding quarter of the school year. If October 1, January 1, April 1 or July 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the report may be submitted before 5 p.m. on the next business day.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the yearly apportionment from the State Education Fund for each school district must be computed by:
- (a) Multiplying the adjusted base per pupil funding established for that school district for that school year by the sum of:
- (1) The count of pupils enrolled in kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, in a public school in the school district based on the average daily enrollment of those pupils during the quarter.
- (2) The count of pupils not included under subparagraph (1) who are enrolled full-time in a program of distance education provided by that school district, based on the average daily enrollment of those pupils during the quarter.
- (3) The count of pupils who reside in the county and are enrolled:
- (I) In a public school of the school district and are concurrently enrolled part-time in a program of distance education provided by another school district or a charter school, based on the average daily enrollment of those pupils during the quarter.
- (II) In a charter school and are concurrently enrolled parttime in a program of distance education provided by the school district, based on the average daily enrollment of those pupils during the quarter.
- (4) The count of pupils not included under subparagraph (1), (2) or (3), who are receiving special education pursuant to the provisions of NRS 388.417 to 388.469, inclusive, and 388.5251 to 388.5267, inclusive, based on the average daily enrollment of those pupils during the quarter and excluding the count of pupils who have not attained the age of 5 years and who are receiving special education pursuant to NRS 388.435.

- (5) Six-tenths the count of pupils who have not attained the age of 5 years and who are receiving special education pursuant to NRS 388.435, based on the average daily enrollment of those pupils during the quarter.
- (6) The count of children detained in facilities for the detention of children, alternative programs and juvenile forestry camps receiving instruction pursuant to the provisions of NRS 388.550, 388.560 and 388.570, based on the average daily enrollment of those pupils during the quarter.
- (7) The count of pupils who are enrolled in classes for at least one semester pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 388A.471, subsection 1 of NRS 388A.474 or subsection 1 of NRS 392.074, based on the average daily enrollment of pupils during the quarter and expressed as a percentage of the total time services are provided to those pupils per school day in proportion to the total time services are provided during a school day to pupils who are counted pursuant to subparagraph (1).
- (8) The count of pupils enrolled in a challenge school based on the average daily enrollment of those pupils calculated in the manner set forth in an agreement entered into pursuant to NRS 388D.330.
- (b) Adding to the amount computed in paragraph (a) the amounts appropriated pursuant to paragraphs [(b)] (a) and [(e)] (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, if the enrollment of pupils in a school district or a charter school that is located within the school district based on the average daily enrollment of pupils during the quarter of the school year is less than or equal to 95 percent of the enrollment of pupils in the same school district or charter school based on the average daily enrollment of pupils during the same quarter of the immediately preceding school year, the enrollment of pupils during the same quarter of the immediately preceding school year must be used for purposes of making the monthly apportionments from the State Education Fund to that school district or charter school pursuant to NRS 387.124.
- 4. If the Department determines that a school district or charter school deliberately causes a decline in the enrollment of pupils in the school district or charter school to receive a higher apportionment pursuant to subsection 3, including, without limitation, by eliminating grades or moving into smaller facilities, the enrollment number from the current school year must be used

for purposes of apportioning money from the State Education Fund to that school district or charter school pursuant to NRS 387.124.

- 5. The Department shall prescribe a process for reconciling the quarterly reports submitted pursuant to subsection 1 to account for pupils who leave the school district or a public school during the school year.
- 6. Pupils who are excused from attendance at examinations or have completed their work in accordance with the rules of the board of trustees must be credited with attendance during that period.
- 7. Pupils who are incarcerated in a facility or institution operated by the Department of Corrections must not be counted for the purpose of computing the yearly apportionment pursuant to this section. The average daily attendance for such pupils must be reported to the Department of Education.
- 8. Pupils who are enrolled in courses which are approved by the Department as meeting the requirements for an adult to earn a high school diploma must not be counted for the purpose of computing the yearly apportionment pursuant to this section.
 - **Sec. 8.** NRS 387.1225 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.1225 1. A hospital or other facility which is licensed by the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services that provides residential treatment to children and which operates a private school licensed pursuant to chapter 394 of NRS may request reimbursement from the Department for the cost of providing educational services to a child who:
- (a) The Department verifies is a patient or resident of the hospital or facility; and
 - (b) Attends the private school for more than 7 school days.
- 2. A hospital or other facility licensed in the District of Columbia or any state or territory of the United States that provides residential treatment and which operates an educational program accredited by a national organization and approved by the Department of Education may request reimbursement from the Department for the cost of providing educational services to a child who:
 - (a) The Department verifies:
 - (1) Is a patient or resident of the hospital or facility; and
 - (2) Is a resident of this State;
- (b) Is admitted to the hospital or facility on an order from a physician because the necessary treatment required for the child is not available in this State;

- (c) Attends the accredited educational program for more than 7 school days;
 - (d) Is not homeschooled or enrolled in a private school; and
- (e) Has been admitted to the medical facility under the order of a physician to receive medically necessary treatment for a medical or mental health condition with which the child has been diagnosed.
- 3. A hospital or other facility that wishes to receive reimbursement pursuant to subsection 2 shall:
- (a) Notify the school district or charter school in which the child is enrolled upon admitting the child to the accredited educational program; and
- (b) Transfer any educational records of the child to the school district or charter school in which the child is enrolled in accordance with any applicable regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 9.
- 4. Upon receiving a request for reimbursement pursuant to subsection 1 or 2, the Department shall determine the amount of reimbursement to which the hospital or facility is entitled as a percentage of the adjusted base per pupil funding for the school district which the child would otherwise attend or the statewide base per pupil funding amount for the charter school which the child would otherwise attend, as applicable.
- 5. If the request for reimbursement is made pursuant to subsection 1, the child is a pupil with a disability and the hospital or facility is in compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 et seq., NRS 388.417 to 388.5243, inclusive, and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, the hospital or facility is also entitled to a corresponding percentage of [weighted funding] the statewide multiplier for the pupil established pursuant to NRS [387.1214,] 387.122, which is withheld from the school district or charter school where the child was enrolled before being placed in the hospital or facility. The Department shall distribute the money withheld from the school district or charter school to the hospital or facility.
- 6. For the purposes of subsections 4 and 5, the amount of reimbursement to which the hospital or facility is entitled must be calculated on the basis of the number of school days the child is a patient or resident of the hospital or facility and attends the private school or accredited educational program, as applicable, excluding the 7 school days prescribed in paragraph (b) of subsection 1 or paragraph (c) of subsection 2, as applicable, in proportion to the number of days of instruction scheduled for that school year by the board of trustees of the school district or the charter school, as applicable.

- 7. A hospital or other facility is not entitled to reimbursement for days of instruction provided to a child in a year in excess of the minimum number of days of free school required by NRS 388.090.
- 8. If a hospital or other facility requests reimbursement from the Department for the cost of providing educational services to a pupil with a disability pursuant to subsection 1 or 2, the school district or charter school in which the child is enrolled shall be deemed to be the local educational agency for the child for the purposes of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 et seq., NRS 388.417 to 388.5243, inclusive, and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto.
- 9. The Department shall adopt any regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, which may include, without limitation, regulations to:
- (a) Prescribe a procedure for the transfer of educational records pursuant to subsection 3;
- (b) Carry out or ensure compliance with the requirements of subsections 4 and 5 concerning reimbursement for educational services provided to a pupil with a disability; and
- (c) Require the auditing of a hospital or other facility that requests reimbursement pursuant to this section to ensure compliance with any applicable provisions of federal or state law.
- 10. The provisions of this section must not be construed to authorize reimbursement pursuant to this section of a hospital or facility for the cost of health care services provided to a child.
 - 11. As used in this section:
 - (a) "Hospital" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 449.012.
- (b) "Private school" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 394.103.
 - **Sec. 9.** NRS 387.124 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.124 Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 387.1241, 387.1242 and 387.528:
- 1. On or before the first day of each month, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall apportion the State Education Fund among the several county school districts, charter schools and university schools for profoundly gifted pupils in amounts approximating one-twelfth of their respective yearly apportionments less any amount set aside as a reserve or contained in the Education Stabilization Account. [or an account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212.] Except as otherwise provided in NRS 387.1244, the apportionment to a school district, computed on a yearly basis, equals the amounts established by law for each school year pursuant to paragraphs [(b), (c)] (a), (b) and [(e)] (d) of

subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214 for all pupils who attend a public school operated by the school district located in the county.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 387.1244, in addition to the apportionments made pursuant to this section, if a pupil is enrolled part-time in a program of distance education and part-time in a
- (a) Public school other than a charter school, an apportionment must be made to the school district in which the pupil resides. The school district in which the pupil resides shall allocate a percentage of the apportionment to the school district or charter school that provides the program of distance education in the amount set forth in the agreement entered into pursuant to NRS 388.854.
- (b) Charter school, an apportionment must be made to the charter school in which the pupil is enrolled. The charter school in which the pupil is enrolled shall allocate a percentage of the apportionment to the school district or charter school that provides the program of distance education in the amount set forth in the agreement entered into pursuant to NRS 388.858.
- 3. The [Superintendent of Public Instruction] Director of the State Department of Agriculture shall apportion, on or before August 1 of each year, the money designated as the "Nutrition State Match" pursuant to NRS 387.105 to those school districts that participate in the National School Lunch Program, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1751 et seq. The apportionment to a school district must be directly related to the district's reimbursements for the Program as compared with the total amount of reimbursements for all school districts in this State that participate in the Program.
- **Sec. 10.** NRS 387.1241 is hereby amended to read as follows: 387.1241 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 387.124, 387.1242, 387.1244 and 387.528:
- 1. The apportionment to a charter school, computed on a yearly basis, is equal to the amounts established by law for each school year pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (d) [and (e)] of subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214 for all pupils who attend the charter school, minus the sponsorship fee prescribed by NRS 388A.414 and minus all the funds attributable to pupils who are enrolled in the charter school but are concurrently enrolled part-time in a program of distance education provided by a school district or another charter school.
- 2. The governing body of a charter school may submit a written request to the Superintendent of Public Instruction to receive, in the first year of operation of the charter school, an apportionment 30 days before the apportionment is required to be made pursuant to *subsections 1 and 2 of NRS 387.124*. Upon

receipt of such a request, the Superintendent of Public Instruction may make the apportionment 30 days before the apportionment is required to be made. A charter school may receive all 12 apportionments in advance in its first year of operation.

- **Sec. 11.** NRS 387.1242 is hereby amended to read as follows: 387.1242 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 387.124, 387.1241, 387.1244 and 387.528:
- 1. The apportionment to a university school for profoundly gifted pupils, computed on a yearly basis, is equal to the amounts established by law for each school year pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (d) [and (e)] of subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214 for all pupils who attend the university school.
- 2. The governing body of a university school for profoundly gifted pupils may submit a written request to the Superintendent of Public Instruction to receive, in the first year of operation of the university school, an apportionment 30 days before the apportionment is required to be made pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 387.124. Upon receipt of such a request, the Superintendent of Public Instruction may make the apportionment 30 days before the apportionment is required to be made. A university school for profoundly gifted pupils may receive all 12 apportionments in advance in its first year of operation.
 - **Sec. 12.** NRS 387.1244 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.1244 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may deduct from an apportionment otherwise payable to a school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils pursuant to *subsection 1 or 2 of* NRS 387.124 if the school district, charter school or university school:
- (a) Fails to repay an amount due pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 387.1243. The amount of the deduction from the monthly apportionment must correspond to the amount due.
- (b) Fails to repay an amount due the Department as a result of a determination that an expenditure was made which violates the terms of a grant administered by the Department. The amount of the deduction from the monthly apportionment must correspond to the amount due.
- (c) Pays a claim determined to be unearned, illegal or unreasonably excessive as a result of an investigation conducted pursuant to NRS 387.3037. The amount of the deduction from the monthly apportionment must correspond to the amount of the claim which is determined to be unearned, illegal or unreasonably excessive.

- → More than one deduction from an apportionment otherwise payable to a school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils may be made pursuant to this subsection if grounds exist for each such deduction.
- The Superintendent of Public Instruction may authorize the withholding of the entire amount of an apportionment otherwise payable to a school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 of NRS 387.124, or a portion thereof, if the school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils fails to submit a report or other information that is required to be submitted to the Superintendent, State Board or Department pursuant to a statute. Before authorizing a withholding pursuant to this subsection, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall provide notice to the school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils of the report or other information that is due and provide the school district, charter school or university school with an opportunity to comply with the statute. Any amount withheld pursuant to this subsection must be accounted for separately in the State Education Fund and must be carried forward to the next fiscal vear.
- 3. If, after an amount is withheld pursuant to subsection 2, the school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils subsequently submits the report or other information required by a statute for which the withholding was made, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall immediately authorize the payment of the amount withheld to the school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils.
- 4. A school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils may appeal to the State Board a decision of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to deduct or withhold from an apportionment pursuant to this section. The Secretary of the State Board shall place the subject of the appeal on the agenda of the next meeting for consideration by the State Board.
- **Sec. 13.** NRS 387.12445 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.12445 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, each school district shall ensure that all adjusted base per pupil funding received by the school district pursuant to paragraph [(e)] (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214 is accounted for separately and, after a deduction for the administrative expenses of the school district in an amount which does not exceed the amount prescribed by the Department by regulation for each school district, be

distributed and used as described in this subsection. [Any money received by a school district to support a necessarily small school, as determined pursuant to NRS 387.1216, must be distributed to such schools.] The adjusted base per pupil funding provided to each school district must:

- (a) Be distributed by each school district to its public schools in a manner that ensures each pupil in the school district receives a reasonably equal educational opportunity.
- (b) Be used to support the educational needs of all pupils in the school district, including, without limitation, operating each public school in the school district, training and supporting educational personnel and carrying out any program or service established by, or requirement imposed pursuant to, this title for any purpose for which specific funding is not appropriated pursuant to paragraph [(a), (b)] (a) or [(e)] (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214 [.] or NRS 387.122.
- 2. If a school district determines that an additional amount of money is necessary to satisfy requirements for maintenance of effort or any other requirement under federal law for pupils with disabilities enrolled in the school district, the school district may transfer the necessary amount of money from the adjusted base per pupil funding received by the school district for that purpose.
- 3. Each school district shall ensure that all weighted funding received by the school district pursuant to paragraph [(e)] (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214 is accounted for separately and distributed directly to each school in which the relevant pupils are estimated to be enrolled.
- 4. Each public school shall account separately for the adjusted base per pupil funding received by the public school pursuant to paragraph <code>{(e)}</code> (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214, <code>{and}</code> for each category of weighted funding received by the public school pursuant to paragraph <code>{(e)}</code> (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 387.1214 <code>{.}</code> and for money received from the statewide multiplier pursuant to NRS 387.122. Unless the provisions of subsection 7 or 8 impose greater restrictions on the use of weighted funding by a public school, the public school must use the weighted funding received for each relevant pupil:
- (a) As a supplement to the adjusted base per pupil funding received for the pupil; and
- (b) Solely for the purpose of providing such additional educational programs, services or support as are necessary to ensure the pupil receives a reasonably equal educational opportunity.

- 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the separate accounting required by subsection 4 for pupils with disabilities and gifted and talented pupils must include:
- (a) The amount of money provided to the public school for special education; and
 - (b) The cost of:
- (1) Instruction provided by licensed special education teachers and supporting staff;
- (2) Related services, including, without limitation, services provided by psychologists, therapists and health-related personnel;
- (3) Transportation of the pupils with disabilities and gifted and talented pupils to and from school;
- (4) The direct supervision of educational and supporting programs; and
- (5) The supplies and equipment needed for providing special education.
- 6. Money received from federal sources must be accounted for separately and excluded from the accounting required pursuant to subsection 5.
- 7. A public school that receives weighted funding for one or more at-risk pupils must use that weighted funding only to provide Victory services and, if one or more at-risk pupils for whom the school received weighted funding in the at-risk pupil category also belong to one or more other categories of pupils who receive weighted funding, the additional services for each such at-risk pupil which are appropriate for each category to which the at-risk pupil belongs.
- 8. A public school that receives weighted funding for one or more pupils who are English learners must use that weighted funding only to provide Zoom services and, if one or more English learners for whom the school received weighted funding in the English learner category also belong to one or more other categories of pupils who receive weighted funding, the additional services for each such English learner which are appropriate for each category to which the English learner belongs.
- 9. The Department shall adopt regulations prescribing the maximum amount of money that each school district may deduct for its administrative expenses from the adjusted base per pupil funding received by the school district. When adopting such regulations, the Department may express the maximum amount of money that may be deducted as a percentage of the adjusted base per pupil funding received by the school district.
 - 10. As used in this section:

- (a) "Victory services" means any one or more of the following services:
 - (1) A prekindergarten program provided free of charge.
- (2) A summer academy or other instruction for pupils provided free of charge at times during the year when school is not in session.
- (3) Additional instruction or other learning opportunities provided free of charge at times of day when school is not in session.
- (4) Professional development for teachers and other educational personnel concerning instructional practices and strategies that have proven to be an effective means to increase pupil achievement in populations of at-risk pupils.
- (5) Incentives for hiring and retaining teachers and other licensed educational personnel who provide Victory services.
- (6) Employment of paraprofessionals, other educational personnel and other persons who provide Victory services.
 - (7) A reading skills center.
- (8) Integrated student supports, wrap-around services and evidence-based programs designed to meet the needs of at-risk pupils.
- (9) Any other service or program that has a demonstrated record of success for similarly situated pupils in comparable school districts and has been reviewed and approved as a Victory service by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- (b) "Zoom services" means any one or more of the following services:
 - (1) A prekindergarten program provided free of charge.
 - (2) A reading skills center.
- (3) Professional development for teachers and other licensed educational personnel regarding effective instructional practices and strategies for pupils who are English learners.
- (4) Incentives for hiring and retaining teachers and other licensed educational personnel who provide Zoom services.
- (5) Engagement and involvement with parents and families of pupils who are English learners, including, without limitation, increasing effective, culturally appropriate communication with and outreach to parents and families to support the academic achievement of those pupils.
- (6) A summer academy or, for those schools that do not operate on a traditional school calendar, an intersession academy provided free of charge, including, without limitation, the provision

of transportation to attend the summer academy or intersession academy.

- (7) An extended school day.
- (8) Any other service or program that has a demonstrated record of success for similarly situated pupils in comparable school districts and has been reviewed and approved as a Zoom service by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- **Sec. 14.** NRS 387.12455 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.12455 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, for the purpose of establishing budgetary estimates for expenditures and revenues for the State Education Fund as prescribed by the State Budget Act, the Governor shall, to the extent practicable, ensure that an amount of money in the State General Fund is reserved in the proposed executive budget for transfer to the State Education Fund which is sufficient to fully fund:
- (a) If the Economic Forum projects that the revenue collected by the State for general, unrestricted uses will increase by a rate that is greater than the combined rate of inflation and the growth of enrollment in the public schools in this State in the immediately preceding biennium, an amount of money in the State General Fund for transfer to the State Education Fund for the subsequent biennium which is not less than the amount of money transferred to the State Education Fund from the State General Fund for the immediately preceding biennium increased by an amount not less than the rate of increase for the revenue collected by the State as projected by the Economic Forum.
- (b) If the Economic Forum projects that the revenue collected by the State for general, unrestricted uses will increase by a rate that is not greater than the combined rate of inflation and the growth of enrollment in the public schools in this State in the immediately preceding biennium, an amount of money in the State General Fund for transfer to the State Education Fund for the subsequent biennium which is not less than the amount of money transferred to the State Education Fund from the State General Fund for the immediately preceding biennium increased by an amount not less than the combined rate of inflation and the growth of enrollment in the public schools in this State.
- (c) If the Economic Forum projects that the revenue collected by the State for general, unrestricted uses will decrease, an amount of money in the State General Fund for transfer to the State Education Fund for the subsequent biennium which is not less than the amount of money transferred to the State Education Fund from the State

General Fund for the immediately preceding biennium decreased by an amount not greater than the rate of decrease for the revenue collected by the State as projected by the Economic Forum.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, as part of the proposed executive budget, the Governor shall, to the extent practicable, include recommendations for:
- (a) The statewide base per pupil funding amount, which must be equal to the statewide base per pupil funding amount for the immediately preceding biennium increased by an amount not less than the combined rate of inflation and the growth of enrollment in the public schools in this State unless the amount of money contained in the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account , [or any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] decreases from the immediately preceding biennium, in which event the Governor must recommend a proportional reduction to both the statewide base per pupil funding amount and the multiplier for each category of pupils pursuant to paragraph (b); and
- (b) The multiplier for each category of pupils, which must not be less than the multiplier for the immediately preceding biennium unless:
- (1) The amount of money contained in the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account, [or any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] decreases from the immediately preceding biennium, in which event the Governor must recommend a proportional reduction to both the statewide base per pupil funding amount pursuant to paragraph (a) and the multiplier for each category of pupils; or
- (2) The amount of money contained in the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account, [or any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] increases from the preceding fiscal year but in an amount which, after recommending the statewide base per pupil funding amount pursuant to paragraph (a), is insufficient to fund the multiplier for each category of pupils, in which event the Governor must recommend the remaining money in the State Education Fund, excluding the Education Stabilization Account, [or any account created pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 387.1212,] be used to provide a multiplier for each category of pupils which is as close as practicable to the multiplier for the preceding fiscal year.
- 3. When determining the amount of money to reserve for transfer from the State General Fund to the State Education Fund pursuant to subsection 1, the Governor shall consider the

recommendations of the Commission, as revised by the Legislative Committee on Education, if applicable, for an optimal level of funding for education and may reserve an additional amount of money for transfer to the State Education Fund that the Governor determines to be sufficient to fund any recommendation or any portion of a recommendation that the Governor includes in the proposed executive budget.

- 4. As part of the proposed executive budget, the Governor may recommend to the Legislature a revision to any appropriation made by law pursuant to NRS 387.1214, including, without limitation, the statewide base per pupil funding amount, the adjusted base per pupil funding for any school district, the multiplier for weighted funding for any category of pupils or the creation or elimination of a category of pupils to receive additional weighted funding. The Governor may recommend additional funding for any recommendation made pursuant to this subsection.
- 5. If the Governor determines that it would be impracticable to prepare the proposed executive budget as described in subsection 1 or 2, the Governor may instead include in the proposed executive budget a recommendation for such funding for the public schools in this State as he or she determines to be appropriate. If the Governor includes in the proposed executive budget recommendations pursuant to this subsection, the recommendations must be accompanied by such recommendations for legislation as the Governor determines to be appropriate to improve the method by which funding for the public schools in this State is determined.
- 6. As used in this section, "rate of inflation" means the percentage of increase or decrease in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the United States Department of Labor for the immediately preceding calendar year or, if that index ceases to be published by the United States Department of Labor, the published index that most closely resembles that index, as determined by the Governor.
- **Sec. 15.** NRS 387.12463 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 387.12463 1. The Commission shall:
- (a) Provide guidance to school districts and the Department on the implementation of the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan.
- (b) Monitor the implementation of the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan and make any recommendations to the Legislative Committee on Education that the Commission determines would, within the limits of appropriated funding, improve the implementation of the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan or correct any deficiencies of the

Department or any school district or public school in carrying out the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan.

- (c) Review the statewide base per pupil funding amount, the adjusted base per pupil funding for each school district and the multiplier for weighted funding for each category of pupils appropriated by law pursuant to NRS 387.1214 for each biennium and recommend any revisions the Commission determines to be appropriate to create an optimal level of funding for the public in this State, including, without limitation. recommending the creation or elimination of one or more categories of pupils to receive additional weighted funding. If the Commission makes a recommendation pursuant to this paragraph which would require more money to implement than was appropriated from the State Education Fund in the immediately preceding biennium, the Commission shall also identify a method to fully fund the recommendation within 10 years after the date of the recommendation.
- (d) Review the laws and regulations of this State relating to education, make recommendations to the Legislative Committee on Education for any revision of such laws and regulations that the Commission determines would improve the efficiency or effectiveness of public education in this State and notify each school district of each such recommendation.
- (e) Review and recommend to the Department revisions of the cost adjustment factors for each county established pursuant to NRS 387.1215 [, the method for determining the adjustment for each necessarily small school established pursuant to NRS 387.1216] and the method for calculating the [small] district equity adjustment established pursuant to NRS 387.1218.
- 2. The Commission shall present any recommendations pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (d), inclusive, of subsection 1 at a meeting of the Legislative Committee on Education for consideration and revision by the Committee. The Legislative Committee on Education shall review each recommendation of the Commission and determine whether to transmit the recommendation or a revised version of the recommendation to the Governor or the Legislature.
- **Sec. 16.** NRS 387.12468 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.12468 1. [On or before February 1 of each odd-numbered year, the Department shall create a report that includes a description of the personnel and services that the Department reasonably believes an average elementary school, middle school

- and high school in this State could employ and provide using the amount of money for public education contained in the proposed executive budget submitted by the Governor to the Legislature pursuant to NRS 353.230 when combined with all other money expected to be available for public education and submit the report to the Commission for review. The Commission shall review the report and provide to the Department any recommendations for revision of the report that the Commission determines to be appropriate. The Department shall consider the recommendations of the Commission, submit a final report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmission to the Legislature and post the final report on an Internet website maintained by the Department not later than March 1 of each odd numbered year.
- 2. On or before July 1 of each year, the Department shall create a report that includes a description of the personnel and services that the Department reasonably believes an average elementary school, middle school and high school in this State could employ and provide using the amount of money for public education appropriated by the Legislature when combined with all other money expected to be available for public education and submit the report to the Commission for review. The Commission shall review the report and provide any recommendations for revision of the report that it determines to be appropriate to the Department. The Department shall consider the recommendations of the Commission, submit a final report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmission to the Legislative Committee on Education and post the final report on an Internet website maintained by the Department not later than August 1 of each year.
- 3.] On or before October 1 of each year, each school district shall create a report that includes a description of the personnel employed and services provided by the school district during the immediately preceding school year and any changes that the school district anticipates making to the personnel and services during the current school year. The school district shall post a copy of the report on the Internet website maintained by the school district.
- [4.] 2. On or before October 1 of each year, each public school shall create a report that includes a description of the personnel employed and services provided by the school during the immediately preceding school year and any changes the school anticipates making to the personnel and services during the current school year. The public school shall [provide a written copy of the report to the parent or legal guardian of each pupil who attends the public school and, if the public school maintains an Internet

website,] post a copy of the report on the *Internet* website [.] maintained by the public school or, if the public school does not maintain an Internet website, on the Internet website maintained by the school district or the governing body or sponsor of the public school, as applicable.

- [5.] 3. The Department shall prescribe by regulation the format and contents of the information to be provided to create the [reports required pursuant to subsections 1 and 2 by the Department and for the] report created by each school district pursuant to subsection [3] 1 and each public school pursuant to subsection [4.] 2. The reports must include, as applicable and without limitation:
 - (a) Each grade level at which the public school enrolls pupils;
 - (b) The number of pupils attending the public school;
 - (c) The average class size at the public school;
- (d) The number of persons employed by the public school to provide instruction, support to pupils, administrative support and other personnel including, without limitation, the number of employees in any subgroup of each type or classification of personnel as prescribed by the Department;
- (e) The professional development provided [to each teacher at] by the public school:
- (f) The amount of money spent per pupil for supplies, materials, equipment and textbooks;
- (g) For each category of pupils for which the public school receives any additional funding, including, without limitation, pupils with disabilities, pupils who are English learners, at-risk pupils and gifted and talented pupils:
- (1) The number of pupils in each category who attend the public school;
- (2) If the Department determines that pupils within a category must be divided based on severity of need, the number of pupils in each such subcategory; and
- (3) The number of persons employed to provide instruction, support to pupils, administrative support and other personnel employed by the public school and dedicated to providing services to each category or subcategory of pupils, including, without limitation, any subgroup of each kind of personnel prescribed by the Department;
- (h) The total amount of money received to support the operations of the public school, divided by the number of pupils enrolled in the public school and expressed as a per pupil amount;
- (i) The total amount of money received by the public school as adjusted base per pupil funding, divided by the number of pupils

enrolled in the public school and expressed as a per pupil amount; and

- (j) The amount of money received by the public school as weighted funding for each category of pupils supported by weighted funding, divided by the number of pupils enrolled in the public school who are identified in the appropriate category and expressed as a per pupil amount for each category.
 - **Sec. 17.** NRS 387.185 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.185 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and NRS 387.528, unless the Superintendent of Public Instruction authorizes a withholding pursuant to NRS 387.1244, all school money due each county school district must be paid over by the State Treasurer to the county treasurer on or before the first day of each month or as soon thereafter as the county treasurer may apply for it, upon the warrant of the State Controller drawn in conformity with the apportionment of the Superintendent of Public Instruction or Director of the State Department of Agriculture as provided in NRS 387.124.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 387.528, unless the Superintendent of Public Instruction authorizes a withholding pursuant to NRS 387.1244, if the board of trustees of a school district establishes and administers a separate account pursuant to the provisions of NRS 354.603, all school money due that school district must be paid over by the State Treasurer to the school district on or before the first day of each month or as soon thereafter as the school district may apply for it, upon the warrant of the State Controller drawn in conformity with the apportionment of the Superintendent of Public Instruction or Director of the State Department of Agriculture as provided in NRS 387.124.
- 3. No county school district may receive any portion of the public school money unless that school district has complied with the provisions of this title and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, unless the Superintendent of Public Instruction authorizes a withholding pursuant to NRS 387.1244, all school money due each charter school must be paid over by the State Treasurer to the governing body of the charter school on or before the first day of each month or as soon thereafter as the governing body may apply for it, upon the warrant of the State Controller drawn in conformity with the apportionment of the Superintendent of Public Instruction *or Director of the State Department of Agriculture* as provided in NRS 387.124. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction has approved, pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 387.1241, a request for

- payment of an apportionment 30 days before the apportionment is otherwise required to be made, the money due to the charter school must be paid by the State Treasurer to the governing body of the charter school on such date.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, unless the Superintendent of Public Instruction authorizes a withholding pursuant to NRS 387.1244, all school money due each university school for profoundly gifted pupils must be paid over by the State Treasurer to the governing body of the university school on or before the first day of each month or as soon thereafter as the governing body may apply for it, upon the warrant of the State Controller drawn in conformity with the apportionment of the Superintendent of Public Instruction *or Director of the State Department of Agriculture* as provided in NRS 387.124. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction has approved, pursuant to NRS 387.1242, a request for payment of an apportionment 30 days before the apportionment is otherwise required to be made, the money due to the university school must be paid by the State Treasurer to the governing body of the university school on such date.
 - **Sec. 18.** NRS 387.206 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.206 1. On or before [July] August 1 of each oddnumbered year, the Department, in consultation with the Budget Division of the Office of Finance and the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, shall determine a recommended minimum amount of money to be expended during [that] each fiscal year of a biennium for textbooks, instructional supplies, instructional software and instructional hardware by all school districts, charter schools and university schools for profoundly gifted pupils. The amount must be determined by increasing the amount that was established for the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 by the percentage of the change in enrollment between Fiscal Year 2004-2005 and the fiscal year for which the amount is being established, plus any inflationary adjustment approved by the Legislature after Fiscal Year 2004-2005.
- 2. The Department, in consultation with the Budget Division of the Office of Finance and the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, shall develop or revise, as applicable, a formula for determining the minimum amount of money that each school district, charter school and university school for profoundly gifted pupils is recommended to expend each fiscal year for textbooks, instructional supplies, instructional software and instructional hardware. The sum of all of the minimum amounts determined pursuant to this subsection must be equal to the

- combined minimum amount determined pursuant to subsection 1. The formula must be used only to develop expenditure recommendations and must not be used to alter the yearly apportionment from the State Education Fund to school districts, charter schools or university schools for profoundly gifted pupils.
- 3. Upon approval of the formula pursuant to subsection 2, the Department shall provide written notice to each school district, charter school and university school for profoundly gifted pupils [within the first 30 days] on or before August 15 of each [fiscal] odd-numbered year that sets forth the recommended minimum combined amount of money that the school district, charter school and university school for profoundly gifted pupils may expend for textbooks, instructional supplies, instructional software and instructional hardware for [that] each fiscal year [.] of a biennium.
- **Sec. 19.** NRS 387.2062 is hereby amended to read as follows: 387.2062 1. On or before January 1 of each year, the Department shall determine whether each school district, charter school and university school for profoundly gifted pupils has expended, during the immediately preceding fiscal year, the recommended minimum amount of money set forth in the notice provided pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 387.206. In making this determination, the Department shall use the report submitted by:
 - (a) The school district pursuant to NRS 387.303.
 - (b) The charter school pursuant to NRS 388A.345.
- (c) The university school for profoundly gifted pupils pursuant to NRS 388C.250.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if the Department determines that a school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils, as applicable, has not expended the recommended minimum amount of money set forth in the notice or the revised notice, as applicable, provided pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 387.206, the Department shall publish a report on an Internet website maintained by the Department which identifies the difference between the actual combined expenditure for textbooks, instructional supplies, instructional software and instructional hardware and the minimum recommended combined expenditure set forth in the notice provided pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 387.206.
- 3. If the actual enrollment of pupils in a school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils is less than the enrollment included in the projections used in the biennial budget of the school district submitted pursuant to NRS 387.303, the budget of the charter school submitted pursuant to NRS 388A.345

or the report of the university school for profoundly gifted pupils submitted pursuant to NRS 388C.250, as applicable, the recommended expenditure for textbooks, instructional supplies, instructional software and instructional hardware pursuant to NRS 387.206 must be reduced proportionately.

- **Sec. 20.** NRS 387.303 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 387.303 1. Not later than November 1 of each year, the board of trustees of each school district shall submit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the Department of Taxation a report which includes the following information:
- (a) For each fund within the school district, including, without limitation, the school district's general fund and any special revenue fund which receives state money, the total number and salaries of licensed and nonlicensed persons whose salaries are paid from the fund and who are employed by the school district in full-time positions or in part-time positions added together to represent full-time positions. Information must be provided for the current school year based upon the school district's final budget, including any amendments and augmentations thereto, and for the preceding school year. An employee must be categorized as filling an instructional, administrative, instructional support or other position.
- (b) The school district's actual expenditures in the fiscal year immediately preceding the report.
- (c) The school district's proposed expenditures for the current fiscal year.
- (d) The schedule of salaries for licensed employees in the current school year and a statement of whether the negotiations regarding salaries for the current school year have been completed. If the negotiations have not been completed at the time the schedule of salaries is submitted, the board of trustees shall submit a supplemental report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction upon completion of negotiations or the determination of an arbitrator concerning the negotiations that includes the schedule of salaries agreed to or required by the arbitrator.
- (e) The number of employees who received an increase in salary pursuant to NRS 391.161, 391.162 or 391.163 for the current and preceding fiscal years. If the board of trustees is required to pay an increase in salary retroactively pursuant to NRS 391.161, the board of trustees shall submit a supplemental report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction not later than February 15 of the year in which the retroactive payment was made that includes the number of teachers to whom an increase in salary was paid retroactively.

- (f) The number of employees eligible for health insurance within the school district for the current and preceding fiscal years and the amount paid for health insurance for each such employee during those years.
- (g) The rates for fringe benefits, excluding health insurance, paid by the school district for its licensed employees in the preceding and current fiscal years.
- (h) The amount paid for extra duties, supervision of extracurricular activities and supplemental pay and the number of employees receiving that pay in the preceding and current fiscal years.
- 2. On or before November 25 of each year, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall submit to the Office of Finance and the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, in a format approved by the Director of the [Department of Administration,] Office of Finance, a compilation of the reports made by each school district pursuant to subsection 1.
- 3. In preparing the agency biennial budget request for the State Education Fund for submission to the Office of Finance, the Superintendent of Public Instruction:
- (a) Shall compile the information from the most recent compilation of reports submitted pursuant to subsection 2; *and*
- (b) [May increase the line items of expenditures or revenues based on merit salary increases and cost of living adjustments or inflation, as deemed credible and reliable based upon published indexes and research relevant to the specific line item of expenditure or revenue:
- (c) May adjust expenditures and revenues pursuant to paragraph (b) for any year remaining before the biennium for which the budget is being prepared and for the 2 years of the biennium covered by the biennial budget request to project the cost of expenditures or the receipt of revenues for the specific line items; and
- (d)] May consider the cost of enhancements to existing programs or the projected cost of proposed new educational programs, regardless of whether those enhancements or new programs are included in the adjusted base per pupil funding for inclusion in the biennial budget request to the Office of Finance.
- 4. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall, in the compilation required by subsection 2, reconcile the revenues of the school districts with the apportionment received by those districts from the State Education Fund for the preceding year.
 - 5. The request prepared pursuant to subsection 3 must:

- (a) Be presented by the Superintendent of Public Instruction to such standing committees of the Legislature as requested by the standing committees for the purposes of developing educational programs and providing appropriations for those programs; and
- (b) Provide for a direct comparison of appropriations to the proposed budget of the Governor submitted pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 353.230.
 - **Sec. 21.** NRS 388.1327 is hereby amended to read as follows: 388.1327 The State Board shall adopt regulations F:
- 1. Establishing the process whereby school districts may apply to the Department for a grant of money from the Bullying Prevention Account pursuant to NRS 388.1325.
- 2. As] as are necessary to carry out the provisions of NRS 388.121 to 388.1395, inclusive.
 - Sec. 22. NRS 388.429 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 388.429 1. The Legislature declares that funding provided for each school year establishes financial resources sufficient to ensure a reasonably equal educational opportunity to pupils with disabilities residing in Nevada through the use of the [weighted funding prescribed by] statewide multiplier established pursuant to NRS [387.1214.] 387.122.
- 2. Subject to the provisions of NRS 388.417 to 388.469, inclusive, the board of trustees of each school district shall make such special provisions as may be necessary for the education of pupils with disabilities.
- 3. The board of trustees of a school district in a county whose population is less than 700,000 may provide early intervening services. Such services must be provided in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1400 et seq., and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto.
- 4. The board of trustees of a school district shall establish uniform criteria governing eligibility for instruction under the special education programs provided for by NRS 388.417 to 388.469, inclusive. The criteria must prohibit the placement of a pupil in a program for pupils with disabilities solely because the pupil is a disciplinary problem in school. The criteria are subject to such standards as may be prescribed by the State Board.
 - Sec. 23. NRS 388.5243 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 388.5243 1. The [Contingency] Account for State Special Education Services is hereby created in the State General Fund to be administered by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may accept gifts and grants of money from any source for deposit in the Account. Any money

from gifts and grants may be expended in accordance with the terms and conditions of the gift or grant, or in accordance with this section.

- 2. Any money remaining in the Account at the end of a fiscal year does not revert to the State General Fund, and the balance in the Account must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.
- 3. The money in the Account may only be used for public schools and public education, as authorized by the Legislature [.], including, without limitation, the distribution of funding appropriated by the Legislature for a statewide multiplier for pupils with disabilities pursuant to NRS 387.122.
- 4. The State Board shall adopt regulations for the application, approval and disbursement of money commencing with the 2016-2017 school year to reimburse school districts and charter schools for extraordinary program expenses and related services which:
- (a) Are not ordinarily present in the typical special education service and delivery system at a public school;
- (b) Are associated with the implementation of the individualized education program of a pupil with significant disabilities, as defined by the State Board, to provide an appropriate education in the least restrictive environment; and
- (c) The costs of which exceed the total funding available to the school district or charter school for the pupil.
 - Sec. 24. NRS 388A.414 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 388A.414 1. Upon completion of each school quarter, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall pay to the sponsor of a charter school one-quarter of the yearly sponsorship fee for the administrative costs associated with sponsorship for that school quarter, which must be deducted from the monthly apportionment to the charter school made pursuant to *subsections 1 and 2 of* NRS 387.124 and *NRS* 387.1241. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the yearly sponsorship fee for the sponsor of a charter school must be in an amount of money not to exceed 2 percent of the total amount of money apportioned to the charter school during the school year pursuant to *subsections 1 and 2 of* NRS 387.124 and *NRS* 387.1241.
- 2. If the governing body of a charter school satisfies the requirements of this section, the governing body may submit a request to the sponsor of the charter school for approval of a sponsorship fee in an amount that is less than 2 percent but at least 1 percent of the total amount of money apportioned to the charter school during the school year pursuant to *subsections 1 and 2 of* NRS 387.124 and *NRS* 387.1241.

- 3. The sponsor of the charter school shall approve such a request if the sponsor of the charter school determines that the charter school satisfies the requirements of this subsection. If the sponsor of the charter school approves such a request, the sponsor shall provide notice of the decision to the governing body of the charter school and the Superintendent of Public Instruction. If the sponsor of the charter school denies such a request, the governing body of the charter school may appeal the decision of the sponsor to the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- 4. Upon appeal, the sponsor of the charter school and the governing body of the charter school are entitled to present evidence. The decision of the Superintendent of Public Instruction on the appeal is final and is not subject to judicial review.
- 5. The governing body of a charter school may submit a request for a reduction of the sponsorship fee pursuant to this section if:
- (a) The charter school satisfies the requirements of subsection 1 of NRS 388A.405; and
- (b) There has been a decrease in the duties of the sponsor of the charter school that justifies a decrease in the sponsorship fee.
 - **Sec. 25.** NRS 389.074 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 389.074 1. The board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each charter school shall ensure that instruction in financial literacy is provided to pupils enrolled in grades 3 to 12, inclusive, in each public school within the school district or in the charter school, as applicable. The instruction must include, without limitation:
- (a) The skills necessary to develop financial responsibility, including, without limitation:
- (1) Making reasonable financial decisions by analyzing the alternatives and consequences of those financial decisions;
- (2) Locating and evaluating financial information from various sources;
- (3) Judging the quality of services offered by a financial institution;
- (4) Developing communication strategies to discuss financial issues;
 - (5) Controlling personal information; and
- (6) Reviewing and summarizing federal and state consumer protection laws.
- (b) The skills necessary to manage finances, including, without limitation:
 - (1) Developing a plan for spending and saving;

- (2) Developing a system for keeping and using financial records; and
 - (3) Developing a personal financial plan.
- (c) The skills necessary to understand the use of credit and the incurrence of debt, including, without limitation:
- (1) Identifying the costs and benefits of various types of credit;
- (2) Understanding the methods to manage debt and the consequences of acquiring debt;
- (3) Understanding how interest rates, compounding frequency and the terms of a loan can affect the cost of credit;
 - (4) Completing an application for a loan;
- (5) Understanding different types of loans, including, without limitation, payday loans, automobile loans, student loans and mortgages;
- (6) Explaining the purpose of a credit report, including, without limitation, the manner in which a credit report is used by lenders:
- (7) Describing the rights of a borrower regarding his or her credit report;
- (8) Identifying methods to avoid and resolve debt problems; and
- (9) Reviewing and summarizing federal and state consumer credit protection laws.
- (d) The skills necessary to understand the basic principles of saving and investing, including, without limitation:
- (1) Understanding how saving and investing contribute to financial well-being;
- (2) Understanding the methods of investing and alternatives to investing;
 - (3) Understanding how to buy and sell investments;
- (4) Understanding compound interest, including, without limitation, in the context of investments;
- (5) Understanding various types of securities, including, without limitation, stocks and bonds; and
- (6) Understanding how the regulation of financial institutions protects investors.
- (e) The skills necessary to prevent and limit the consequences of identity theft and fraud.
- (f) The skills necessary to understand the basic assessment of taxes, including, without limitation, understanding the matter in which taxes are computed by local, state and federal governmental entities.

- (g) The skills necessary to understand the basic principles of insurance, including, without limitation:
- (1) Understanding the function of various insurance policies; and
 - (2) Determining the quality of an insurance provider.
- (h) The skills necessary to plan for higher education and career choices, including, without limitation:
- (1) Information concerning institutions of higher education and college preparedness;
 - (2) Information concerning career options;
 - (3) Writing a resume;
- (4) Information concerning opportunities for financial aid, including the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and the programs of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, and the manner in which to qualify for such opportunities;
- (5) Information concerning scholarship opportunities, including, without limitation, the Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Program and Silver State Opportunity Grant Program; and
- (6) Information concerning prepaid tuition and college savings programs and plans established pursuant to chapter 353B of NRS and section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 529.
- 2. The standards of content and performance for the instruction in financial literacy required by subsection 1 must be included in the standards of content and performance established by the Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools pursuant to NRS 389.520. The instruction required by subsection 1 must be:
 - (a) Age-appropriate; and
- (b) Included within a course of study for which the Council has established the relevant standards of content and performance, including, without limitation, a course of study in economics, mathematics or social studies.
- 3. The board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each charter school in which pupils are enrolled in any grade of grades 3 to 12, inclusive, shall encourage:
- (a) [Persons to donate money to the Account for Instruction in Financial Literacy created by NRS 388.895;
- (b) Persons to volunteer time, expertise and resources to assist a school district, governing body of a charter school, public school or teacher in the provision of instruction in financial literacy; and

- **[(e)]** (b) Partnerships between a school district or charter school and relevant persons, businesses or entities in which those persons, businesses or entities provide the resources necessary to provide instruction in financial literacy.
 - **Sec. 26.** NRS 391.273 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.273 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and except for persons who are supervised pursuant to NRS 391.096, the unlicensed personnel of a school district must be directly supervised by licensed personnel in all duties which are instructional in nature. To the extent practicable, the direct supervision must be such that the unlicensed personnel are in the immediate location of the licensed personnel and are readily available during such times when supervision is required.
- 2. Unlicensed personnel who are exempted pursuant to subsection 4, 5 or 6 must be under administrative supervision when performing any duties which are instructional in nature.
- 3. Unlicensed personnel may temporarily perform duties under administrative supervision which are not primarily instructional in nature.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, upon application by a superintendent of schools, the Superintendent of Public Instruction may grant an exemption from the provisions of subsection 1 pursuant to subsection 5 or 6.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the Superintendent shall not grant an exemption from the provisions of subsection 1 unless:
- (a) The duties are within the employee's special expertise or training;
- (b) The duties relate to the humanities or an elective course of study, or are supplemental to the basic curriculum of a school;
- (c) The performance of the duties does not result in the replacement of a licensed employee or prevent the employment of a licensed person willing to perform those duties;
- (d) The secondary or combined school in which the duties will be performed has less than 100 pupils enrolled and is at least 30 miles from a school in which the duties are performed by licensed personnel; and
- (e) The unlicensed employee submits his or her fingerprints for an investigation pursuant to NRS 391.033.
- 6. Upon application by a superintendent of schools, the Superintendent of Public Instruction may grant an exemption from the provisions of subsection 1 if:

- (a) The duties of the unlicensed employee relate to the supervision of pupils attending a course of distance education provided pursuant to NRS 388.820 to 388.874, inclusive, while the pupils are receiving instruction from a licensed employee remotely through any electronic means of communication; and
- (b) The unlicensed employee submits his or her fingerprints for an investigation pursuant to NRS 391.033.
- 7. The exemption authorized by subsection 4, 5 or 6 does not apply to a paraprofessional if the requirements prescribed by the State Board pursuant to NRS 391.094 require the paraprofessional to be directly supervised by a licensed teacher.
- 8. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall file a record of all exempt personnel with the clerk of the board of trustees of each local school district, and advise the clerk of any changes therein. The record must contain:
 - (a) The name of the exempt employee;
- (b) The specific instructional duties the exempt employee may perform;
- (c) Any terms or conditions of the exemption deemed appropriate by the Superintendent of Public Instruction; and
- (d) The date the exemption expires or a statement that the exemption is valid as long as the employee remains in the same position at the same school.
- 9. The Superintendent of Public Instruction may adopt regulations prescribing the procedure to apply for an exemption pursuant to this section and the criteria for the granting of such exemptions.
- 10. Except in an emergency, it is unlawful for the board of trustees of a school district to allow a person employed as a teacher's aide to serve as a teacher unless the person is a legally qualified teacher licensed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction. As used in this subsection, "emergency" means an unforeseen circumstance which requires immediate action and includes the fact that a licensed teacher or substitute teacher is not immediately available.
- 11. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction determines that the board of trustees of a school district has violated the provisions of subsection 10, the Superintendent shall take such actions as are necessary to reduce the amount of money received by the district pursuant to *subsections 1 and 2 of* NRS 387.124 by an amount equal to the product when the following numbers are multiplied together:
 - (a) The number of days on which the violation occurred;

- (b) The number of pupils in the classroom taught by the teacher's aide; and
- (c) The number of dollars of adjusted base per pupil funding established for the school district pursuant to NRS 387.1214 per day.
- 12. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person employed as a teacher's aide or paraprofessional may monitor pupils in a computer laboratory without being directly supervised by licensed personnel. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a paraprofessional if the requirements prescribed by the State Board pursuant to NRS 391.094 require the paraprofessional to be directly supervised by a licensed teacher.
- 13. The provisions of this section do not apply to unlicensed personnel who are employed by the governing body of a charter school, unless a paraprofessional employed by the governing body is required to be directly supervised by a licensed teacher pursuant to the requirements prescribed by the State Board pursuant to NRS 391.094.
 - **Sec. 27.** NRS 391.365 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.365 A person who receives an endorsement to teach in a field of specialization relating to computer literacy and computer science may request a reimbursement for the cost of the course work required to receive such an endorsement from the board of trustees of a school district or governing body of a charter school that employs or will employ the person. [The board of trustees or governing body, as applicable, may reimburse the person using money received from a grant provided to the board of trustees or governing body pursuant to NRS 391.369 or 391A.510.]
 - Sec. 28. NRS 391A.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391A.125 1. Based upon the **[priorities of programs prescribed by the State Board pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 391A.505 and the]** assessment of needs for training within the region and priorities of training adopted by the governing body pursuant to NRS 391A.175, each regional training program shall provide:
- (a) Training for teachers and other licensed educational personnel in the:
- (1) Standards established by the Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools pursuant to NRS 389.520;
- (2) Curriculum and instruction required for the standards adopted by the State Board;
- (3) Curriculum and instruction recommended by the Teachers and Leaders Council of Nevada; and

- (4) Culturally relevant pedagogy, taking into account cultural diversity and demographic differences throughout this State.
- (b) Through the Nevada Early Literacy Intervention Program established for the regional training program, training for teachers who teach kindergarten and grades 1, 2 or 3 on methods to teach fundamental reading skills, including, without limitation:
 - (1) Phonemic awareness;
 - (2) Phonics;
 - (3) Vocabulary;
 - (4) Fluency;
 - (5) Comprehension; and
 - (6) Motivation.
- (c) Training for administrators who conduct the evaluations required pursuant to NRS 391.685, 391.690, 391.705 and 391.710 relating to the manner in which such evaluations are conducted. Such training must be developed in consultation with the Teachers and Leaders Council of Nevada created by NRS 391.455.
- (d) Training for teachers, administrators and other licensed educational personnel relating to correcting deficiencies and addressing recommendations for improvement in performance that are identified in the evaluations conducted pursuant to NRS 391.685, 391.690, 391.705 or 391.710.
- (e) Training for teachers on methods to teach computer literacy or computer science to pupils.
 - (f) At least one of the following types of training:
- (1) Training for teachers and school administrators in the assessment and measurement of pupil achievement and the effective methods to analyze the test results and scores of pupils to improve the achievement and proficiency of pupils.
- (2) Training for teachers in specific content areas to enable the teachers to provide a higher level of instruction in their respective fields of teaching. Such training must include instruction in effective methods to teach in a content area provided by teachers who are considered masters in that content area.
- (3) In addition to the training provided pursuant to paragraph (b), training for teachers in the methods to teach basic skills to pupils, such as providing instruction in reading with the use of phonics and providing instruction in basic skills of mathematics computation.
- (g) In accordance with the program established by the Statewide Council pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 391A.135 training for:

- (1) Teachers on how to engage parents and families, including, without limitation, disengaged families, in the education of their children and to build the capacity of parents and families to support the learning and academic achievement of their children.
- (2) Training for teachers and paraprofessionals on working with parent liaisons in public schools to carry out strategies and practices for effective parental involvement and family engagement.
- (h) Training and continuing professional development for teachers who receive an endorsement to teach courses relating to financial literacy pursuant to NRS 391.019 and 396.5198.
 - 2. The training required pursuant to subsection 1 must:
- (a) Include the activities set forth in 20 U.S.C. § 7801(42), as deemed appropriate by the governing body for the type of training offered.
- (b) Include appropriate procedures to ensure follow-up training for teachers and administrators who have received training through the program.
 - (c) Incorporate training that addresses the educational needs of:
- (1) Pupils with disabilities who participate in programs of special education; and
 - (2) Pupils who are English learners.
- 3. The governing body of each regional training program shall prepare and maintain a list that identifies programs for the professional development of teachers and administrators that successfully incorporate:
- (a) The standards of content and performance established by the Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools pursuant to NRS 389.520;
 - (b) Fundamental reading skills; and
 - (c) Other training listed in subsection 1.
- The governing body shall provide a copy of the list on an annual basis to school districts for dissemination to teachers and administrators.
- 4. A regional training program may include model classrooms that demonstrate the use of educational technology for teaching and learning.
- 5. A regional training program may contract with the board of trustees of a school district that is served by the regional training program as set forth in NRS 391A.120 to provide professional development to the teachers and administrators employed by the school district that is in addition to the training required by this section. Any training provided pursuant to this subsection must

include the activities set forth in 20 U.S.C. § 7801(42), as deemed appropriate by the governing body for the type of training offered.

- 6. To the extent money is available from legislative appropriation or otherwise, a regional training program may provide training to paraprofessionals.
- 7. To the extent that money is available, the Department shall administer the training required pursuant to paragraph (h) of subsection 1.
- 8. As used in this section, "paraprofessional" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 391.008.
 - **Sec. 29.** NRS 396.5198 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 396.5198 1. If the System offers a course of study for obtaining an endorsement to teach courses relating to financial literacy, the course must require students in the course of study to create a personal finance portfolio or transition plan, which must include, without limitation, details relating to housing, health insurance and postsecondary education and financial aid resources.
- 2. A student in a course of study offered pursuant to subsection 1 may apply for a Teach Nevada Scholarship from a university, college or other provider of an alternative licensure program that receives a grant from the Teach Nevada Scholarship Program Account created pursuant to NRS 391A.575 to offset the costs of completing a course of study offered pursuant to subsection 1.
- [3. The System may award a student money received from a grant provided to a university, college or other provider of an alternative licensure program pursuant to NRS 391A.510 to offset the costs of completing a course of study offered pursuant to subsection 1.1
 - **Sec. 30.** NRS 396.5199 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 396.5199 [1. The Board of Regents may apply for a grant from the Account for Computer Education and Technology created pursuant to NRS 391.369 to develop the curriculum and standards required to educate and train a person who is studying to become a teacher in computer literacy and computer science.
- 2.] All persons who are studying to become a teacher must receive appropriate education and training in computer literacy and computer science.
- **Sec. 31.** NRS 120A.610 is hereby amended to read as follows: 120A.610 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 4 to 8, inclusive, all abandoned property other than money delivered to the Administrator under this chapter must, within 2 years after the delivery, be sold by the Administrator to the highest bidder at public sale in whatever manner affords, in his or her judgment, the most

favorable market for the property. The Administrator may decline the highest bid and reoffer the property for sale if the Administrator considers the bid to be insufficient.

- 2. Any sale held under this section must be preceded by a single publication of notice, not less than 21 days before sale, in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the property is to be sold. The Administrator may provide additional notice of any such sale at any time and in any manner that the Administrator selects.
- 3. The purchaser of property at any sale conducted by the Administrator pursuant to this chapter takes the property free of all claims of the owner or previous holder and of all persons claiming through or under them. The Administrator shall execute all documents necessary to complete the transfer of ownership.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the Administrator need not offer any property for sale if the Administrator considers that the probable cost of the sale will exceed the proceeds of the sale. The Administrator may destroy or otherwise dispose of such property or may transfer it to:
- (a) The Nevada State Museum Las Vegas, the Nevada State Museum or the Nevada Historical Society, upon its written request, if the property has, in the opinion of the requesting institution, historical, artistic or literary value and is worthy of preservation; or
- (b) A genealogical library, upon its written request, if the property has genealogical value and is not wanted by the Nevada State Museum Las Vegas, the Nevada State Museum or the Nevada Historical Society.
- → An action may not be maintained by any person against the holder of the property because of that transfer, disposal or destruction.
- 5. The Administrator shall transfer property to the Department of Veterans Services, upon its written request, if the property has military value.
- 6. Securities delivered to the Administrator pursuant to this chapter may be sold by the Administrator at any time after the delivery. Securities listed on an established stock exchange must be sold at the prevailing price for that security on the exchange at the time of sale. Other securities not listed on an established stock exchange may be sold:
- (a) Over the counter at the prevailing price for that security at the time of sale; or
 - (b) By any other method the Administrator deems acceptable.

- 7. The Administrator shall hold property that was removed from a safe-deposit box or other safekeeping repository for 1 year after the date of the delivery of the property to the Administrator, unless that property is a will or a codicil to a will, in which case the Administrator shall hold the property for 10 years after the date of the delivery of the property to the Administrator. If no claims are filed for the property within that period and the Administrator determines that the probable cost of the sale of the property will exceed the proceeds of the sale, it may be destroyed.
- 8. All proceeds received by the Administrator from abandoned gift certificates must be accounted for separately in the Abandoned Property Trust Account in the State General Fund. At the end of each fiscal year, before any other money in the Abandoned Property Trust Account is transferred pursuant to NRS 120A.620, the balance in the subaccount created pursuant to this subsection, less any costs, service charges or claims chargeable to the subaccount, must be transferred to the [Educational Trust Account, which is hereby created in the State General Fund. The money in the Educational Trust Account may be expended only as authorized by the Legislature for any purpose, if it is in session, or by the Interim Finance Committee, if the Legislature is not in session, for educational purposes.] State Education Fund.
- **Sec. 32.** NRS 278C.250 is hereby amended to read as follows: 278C.250 1. After the effective date of the ordinance adopted pursuant to NRS 278C.220:
- (a) Any taxes levied upon taxable property in the tax increment area each year by or for the benefit of the State, the municipality and any public body must be divided as follows:
- (1) That portion of the taxes that would be produced by the rate upon which the tax is levied each year by or for each of those taxing agencies upon the total sum of the assessed value of the taxable property in the tax increment area as shown upon the last equalized assessment roll used in connection with the taxation of the property by the taxing agency, must be allocated to and when collected must be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies as taxes by or for the taxing agencies on all other property are paid.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the portion of the taxes levied each year in excess of the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (1) must be allocated to, and when collected must be paid into, the tax increment account pertaining to the undertaking to pay the bond requirements of loans, money advanced to, or indebtedness, whether funded, refunded, assumed or

otherwise, incurred by the municipality to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, the undertaking. Unless the total assessed valuation of the taxable property in the tax increment area exceeds the total assessed value of the taxable property in the area as shown by the last equalized assessment roll referred to in this subsection, all of the taxes levied and collected upon the taxable property in the area must be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies. When the loans, advances and indebtedness, if any, and interest thereon, have been paid, all money thereafter received from taxes upon the taxable property in the tax increment area must be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies as taxes on all other property are paid.

- (b) If the undertaking is a natural resources project or a rail project for which the municipality has received approval from the Interim Finance Committee pursuant to NRS 278C.157, any taxes levied upon the sale or use of tangible personal property in the tax increment area each year by or for the benefit of the State, the municipality and any public body must be divided as follows:
- (1) That portion of the taxes that would be produced by the rate upon which the tax is levied each year by or for each of those taxing agencies upon the total sum of the sales and use of tangible personal property in the tax increment area in the fiscal year immediately preceding the effective date of the ordinance adopted pursuant to NRS 278C.220, must be allocated to and when collected must be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies as taxes by or for the taxing agencies on all other sales of tangible personal property are paid.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, of the portion of the taxes levied each year in excess of the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (1), 50 percent of that amount must be allocated to, and when collected must be paid into the tax increment account pertaining to the undertaking to pay the bond requirements of loans, money advanced to, or indebtedness, whether refunded, assumed or otherwise, incurred by municipality to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, the undertaking. The remaining 50 percent of that amount must be allocated to and when collected must be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies as taxes by or for the taxing agencies on all other sales of tangible personal property are paid. Unless the total amount of the taxes imposed on the sale and use of tangible personal property in the tax increment area exceeds the total amount of the taxes imposed on the sale and use of tangible personal property in the tax increment area in the fiscal year immediately preceding the effective date of the ordinance adopted pursuant to NRS 278C.220,

all of the taxes levied and collected upon the sale or use of tangible personal property in the tax increment area must be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies. When the loans, advances and indebtedness, if any, and interest thereon, have been paid, all money thereafter received from taxes upon the sale or use of tangible personal property in the tax increment area must be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies as taxes on all other taxes on the sale or use of tangible personal property are paid.

- (c) If the undertaking is a natural resources project or a rail project for which the municipality has received approval from the Interim Finance Committee pursuant to NRS 278C.157, any taxes imposed pursuant to NRS 363A.130 or 363B.110 on employers located in the tax increment area must be divided as follows:
- (1) That portion of the taxes that would be produced by the rate upon which the tax is imposed each year by the Department of Taxation in the fiscal year immediately preceding the effective date of the ordinance adopted pursuant to NRS 278C.220, must be allocated to and when collected must be paid to the Department of Taxation as all other taxes imposed pursuant to NRS 363A.130 and 363B.110 are paid.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, of the portion of the taxes imposed each year in excess of the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (1), 50 percent of that amount must be allocated to, and when collected must be paid into, the tax increment account pertaining to the undertaking to pay the bond requirements of loans, money advanced to, or indebtedness, whether refunded, assumed or otherwise, incurred by municipality to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, the undertaking. The remaining 50 percent of that amount must be allocated to and when collected must be paid to the Department of Taxation as all other taxes imposed pursuant to NRS 363A.130 and 363B.110 are paid. Unless the total amount of the taxes imposed pursuant to NRS 363A.130 and 363B.110 on employers located in the tax increment area exceeds the total amount of the taxes imposed on employers located in the tax increment area in the fiscal year immediately preceding the effective date of the ordinance adopted pursuant to NRS 278C.220, all of the taxes imposed on employers located in the tax increment area must be paid to the Department of Taxation. When the loans, advances and indebtedness, if any, and interest thereon, have been paid, all money thereafter received from taxes imposed pursuant to NRS 363A.130 or 363B.110 on employers located in the tax increment area must be paid to the

Department of Taxation as all other taxes imposed pursuant to NRS 363A.130 and 363B.110 are paid.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 360.991, the amount of the taxes levied each year which are paid into the tax increment account pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1, subparagraph (2) of paragraph (b) of subsection 1 and subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1 must be limited by the governing body to an amount not to exceed the combined total amount required for annual debt service of or any outstanding advances of money or unfunded costs associated with the project or projects acquired, improved or equipped, or any combination thereof, as part of the undertaking.
- 3. Any revenues generated within the tax increment area in excess of the amount referenced in subsection 2, if any, will be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies in the same proportion as their base amount was distributed.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, in any fiscal year, the total revenue paid to a tax increment area pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 in combination with the total revenue paid to any other tax increment areas and any redevelopment agencies of a municipality, other than any revenues paid to any other tax increment areas pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (b) of subsection 1 and subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1, must not exceed:
- (a) In a county whose population is 100,000 or more or a city whose population is 150,000 or more, an amount equal to the combined tax rates of the taxing agencies for that fiscal year multiplied by 10 percent of the total assessed valuation of the municipality.
- (b) In a county whose population is less than 100,000 or a city whose population is less than 150,000, an amount equal to the combined tax rates of the taxing agencies for that fiscal year multiplied by 15 percent of the total assessed valuation of the municipality.
- → Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, if a county has a population of less than 100,000 or if a city has a population of less than 150,000 at the time the municipality issues securities for a tax increment area pursuant to NRS 278C.280, the revenue limitation set forth in paragraph (b) must remain the revenue limitation for the tax increment area until such time as the securities issued for that tax increment area pursuant to NRS 278C.280 have been paid in full, including any securities issued to refund those securities,

regardless of whether the population of the municipality reaches or exceeds 100,000 after the issuance of those securities.

- 5. If the revenue paid to a tax increment area must be limited pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 4 and the municipality has more than one redevelopment agency or tax increment area, or one of each, the municipality shall determine the allocation to each agency and area. Any revenue that would be allocated to a tax increment area but for the provisions of this section must be paid into the funds of the respective taxing agencies.
- 6. The portion of the taxes levied each year in excess of the amount determined pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 which is attributable to any tax rate levied by a taxing agency:
- (a) To produce revenue in an amount sufficient to make annual repayments of the principal of, and the interest on, any bonded indebtedness that was approved by a majority of the registered voters within the area of the taxing agency voting upon the question, must be allocated to, and when collected must be paid into, the debt service fund of that taxing agency.
- (b) In excess of any tax rate of that taxing agency applicable to the last taxation of the property before the effective date of the ordinance, if that additional rate was approved by a majority of the registered voters within the area of the taxing agency voting upon the question, must be allocated to, and when collected must be paid into, the appropriate fund of that taxing agency.
- (c) Pursuant to NRS 387.3285 or 387.3287, if that rate was approved by a majority of the registered voters within the area of the taxing agency voting upon the question, must be allocated to, and when collected must be paid into, the appropriate fund of that taxing agency.
- (d) For the support of the public schools within a county school district pursuant to NRS 387.195, must be allocated to, and when collected must be paid into, the [appropriate fund of that taxing agency.] State Education Fund.
- 7. The provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection 6 include, without limitation, a tax rate approved for bonds of a county school district issued pursuant to NRS 350.020, including, without limitation, amounts necessary for a reserve account in the debt service fund.
- 8. As used in this section, the term "last equalized assessment roll" means the assessment roll in existence on the 15th day of March immediately preceding the effective date of the ordinance.

- **Sec. 32.5.** NRS 354.6241 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 354.6241 1. The statement required by paragraph (a) of subsection 5 of NRS 354.624 must indicate for each fund set forth in that paragraph:
- (a) Whether the fund is being used in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.
- (b) Whether the fund is being administered in accordance with generally accepted accounting procedures.
- (c) Whether the reserve in the fund is limited to an amount that is reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes of the fund.
- (d) The sources of revenues available for the fund during the fiscal year, including transfers from any other funds.
- (e) The statutory and regulatory requirements applicable to the fund.
 - (f) The balance and retained earnings of the fund.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4 and NRS 354.59891 and 354.613, to the extent that the reserve in any fund set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 5 of NRS 354.624 exceeds the amount that is reasonable and necessary to carry out the purposes for which the fund was created, the reserve may be expended by the local government pursuant to the provisions of chapter 288 of NRS.
- 3. For any local government other than a school district, for the purposes of chapter 288 of NRS, a budgeted ending fund balance of not more than 16.67 percent of the total budgeted expenditures, less capital outlay, for a general fund:
- (a) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization; and
- (b) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits.
- 4. For a school district, for the purposes of chapter 288 of NRS [, a]:
- (a) A budgeted ending fund balance of not more than [16.6] 12 percent of the total budgeted expenditures for a county school district fund:
- [(a)] (1) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization; and
- [(b)] (2) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits [.]; and

- (b) Any portion of a budgeted ending fund balance which exceeds 16.6 percent of the total budgeted expenditures for a county school district fund:
- (1) Is not subject to negotiations with an employee organization;
- (2) Must not be considered by a fact finder or arbitrator in determining the financial ability of the local government to pay compensation or monetary benefits; and
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in section 77 of chapter 624, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 4252, must be transferred to the Education Stabilization Account pursuant to NRS 387.1213.
- **Sec. 33.** NRS 445B.640 is hereby amended to read as follows: 445B.640 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 and NRS 445C.010 to 445C.120, inclusive, any person who violates any provision of NRS 445B.100 to 445B.450, inclusive, and 445B.470 to 445B.640, inclusive, or any regulation in force pursuant thereto, other than NRS 445B.570 on confidential information, is guilty of a civil offense and shall pay an administrative fine levied by the Commission of not more than \$10,000 per day per offense. Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense.
- 2. The Commission shall by regulation establish a schedule of administrative fines not exceeding \$2,000 for lesser violations of any provision of NRS 445B.100 to 445B.450, inclusive, and 445B.470 to 445B.640, inclusive, or any regulation in force pursuant thereto.
- 3. Action pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 is not a bar to enforcement of the provisions of NRS 445B.100 to 445B.450, inclusive, and 445B.470 to 445B.640, inclusive, regulations in force pursuant thereto, and orders made pursuant to NRS 445B.100 to 445B.450, inclusive, and 445B.470 to 445B.640, inclusive, by injunction or other appropriate remedy, and the Commission or the Director may institute and maintain in the name of the State of Nevada any such enforcement proceedings.
- 4. Any person who fails to pay a fine levied pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 within 30 days after the fine is imposed is guilty of a misdemeanor. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to persons found by the court to be indigent.
- 5. All administrative fines collected by the Commission pursuant to this section must be deposited in the [county school district fund of the county where the violation occurred.] State Education Fund.

Sec. 34. NRS 488.075 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.075 1. The owner of each motorboat requiring numbering by this State shall file an application for a number and for a certificate of ownership with the Department on forms approved by it accompanied by:

- (a) Proof of payment of Nevada sales or use tax as evidenced by proof of sale by a Nevada dealer or by a certificate of use tax paid issued by the Department of Taxation, or by proof of exemption from those taxes as provided in NRS 372.320.
- (b) Such evidence of ownership as the Department may require.

 → The Department shall not issue a number, a certificate of number or a certificate of ownership until this evidence is presented to it.
- 2. The application must be signed by the owner of the motorboat and must be accompanied by:
 - (a) A fee of \$20 for the certificate of ownership; and
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 of NRS 488.125, an annual fee according to the following schedule as determined by the straight line length which is measured from the tip of the bow to the back of the transom of the motorboat:

Less than 13 feet	\$20
13 feet or more but less than 18 feet	
18 feet or more but less than 22 feet	
22 feet or more but less than 26 feet	55
26 feet or more but less than 31 feet	
31 feet or more	

Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all fees received by the Department under the provisions of this chapter must be deposited in the Wildlife Account in the State General Fund and, except as otherwise provided in NRS 488.536, may be expended only for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter. On or before December 31 of each year, the Department shall deposit with the [respective county school districts] State Education Fund 50 percent of each fee collected according to the motorboat's length for every motorboat registered. [from their respective counties.] Upon receipt of the application in approved form, the Department shall enter the application upon the records of its office and issue to the applicant a certificate of number stating the number awarded to the motorboat, a certificate of ownership stating the same information and the name and address of the registered owner and the legal owner.

- 3. The Commission shall adopt regulations providing for the renewal of a certificate of number by the purchase of a validation decal. The fee for a validation decal is determined by the straight line length of the motorboat and is equivalent to the fee set forth in the schedule provided in paragraph (b) of subsection 2. The amount of the fee for issuing a duplicate validation decal is \$20.
- 4. The owner shall paint on or attach to each side of the bow of the motorboat the identification number in such manner as may be prescribed by regulations of the Commission in order that the number may be clearly visible. The number must be maintained in legible condition.
- 5. The certificate of number must be available at all times for inspection on the motorboat for which issued, whenever the motorboat is in operation.
- 6. The Commission shall provide by regulation for the issuance of numbers to manufacturers and dealers which may be used interchangeably upon motorboats operated by the manufacturers and dealers in connection with the demonstration, sale or exchange of those motorboats. The amount of the fee for each such a number is \$20.
 - **Sec. 35.** (Deleted by amendment.)
- **Sec. 36.** Section 80 of chapter 624, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 4253, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 80. NRS [387.122,] 387.1245, 387.1247, 387.1251, 387.1253, 387.1255, 387.1257, 387.129, 387.131, 387.133, 387.137, 387.139, 387.163, 387.193, 387.197, 387.2065, 387.2067 and 387.207 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 37. The Legislative Counsel shall:

- 1. In preparing the reprint and supplements to the Nevada Revised Statutes, appropriately change any references to:
- (a) A fund or account whose name is changed pursuant to the provisions of this act; and
- (b) An officer, agency or other entity whose name is changed or whose responsibilities are transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to refer to the appropriate officer, agency or other entity.
- 2. In preparing supplements to the Nevada Administrative Code, appropriately change any references to:
- (a) A fund or account whose name is changed pursuant to the provisions of this act; and
- (b) An officer, agency or other entity whose name is changed or whose responsibilities are transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to refer to the appropriate officer, agency or other entity.

- **Sec. 38.** 1. Any balance remaining in the Bullying Prevention Account created by NRS 388.1325, the Account for Instruction in Financial Literacy created by NRS 388.895, the Account for Computer Education and Technology created by NRS 391.369, the Grant Fund for Incentives for Licensed Educational Personnel created by NRS 391A.400 or the Great Teaching and Leading Fund created by NRS 391A.500 that has not been committed for expenditure before July 1, 2021, must be reverted to the State General Fund.
- 2. Any balance remaining in the Educational Trust Account created by NRS 120A.610 that has not been committed for expenditure before July 1, 2021, must be transferred to the State Education Fund.
- **Sec. 39.** NRS 387.1216, 388.1325, 388.895, 391.369, 391A.400, 391A.500, 391A.505, 391A.510 and 391A.515 are hereby repealed.
- **Sec. 40.** 1. This section and section 36 of this act become effective upon passage and approval.
- 2. Sections 1 to 35, inclusive, 37, 38 and 39 of this act become effective on July 1, 2021.