MINUTES OF THE APRIL 1, 2021
MEETING OF THE
INTERIM FINANCE COMMITTEE

Chair Chris Brooks called a regular meeting of the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) to order at 8:08 a.m. on April 1, 2021, via videoconference. Pursuant to *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) 218A.820, there will be no physical location for this meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:
Senator Chris Brooks, Chair
Assemblywoman Maggie Carlton, Vice Chair
Senator Nicole Cannizzaro
Senator Moises Denis
Senator Marilyn Dondero Loop
Senator Pete Goicoechea
Senator Scott Hammond
Senator Ben Kieckhefer
Senator Julia Ratti
Senator Heidi Seevers Gansert
Assemblywoman Teresa Benitez-Thompson
Assemblyman Jason Frierson
Assemblywoman Michelle Gorelow
Assemblyman Greg Hafen
Assemblywoman Sandra Jauregui
Assemblyman Glen Leavitt
Assemblywoman Brittney Miller
Assemblywoman Daniele Monroe-Moreno
Assemblywoman Sarah Peters
Assemblyman Tom Roberts
Assemblywoman Robin Titus
Assemblywoman Jill Tolles
Assemblyman Howard Watts

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU STAFF PRESENT:
Brenda Erdoes, Director, Legislative Counsel Bureau
Sarah Coffman, Fiscal Analyst, Assembly
Wayne Thorley, Fiscal Analyst, Senate
Brody Leiser, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst
Alex Haartz, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst
Bryan Fernley, Legislative Counsel
Eileen O'Grady, Chief Deputy Legislative Counsel
Carla Ulrych, Fiscal Analysis Division Secretary

EXHIBITS:
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Exhibit F: Public Comment – Chris Daly, Nevada State Education Association

A. ROLL CALL.
SARAH COFFMAN (Assembly Fiscal Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau [LCB]), called roll. All members were present except Senator Cannizzaro, who joined the meeting in progress.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT.
Pursuant to NRS 218A.820, there was no physical location for this meeting. The meeting was broadcast on the Nevada Legislative website at www.leg.state.nv.us. Public comment was accepted live via telephone. Written comments were also accepted by email, facsimile, and mail before, during, and after the meeting.

CHRIS DALY (Nevada State Education Association) provided public comment for the record (Exhibit F).

DR. TIFFANY TYLER-GARNER (Executive Director, Children's Advocacy Alliance):
Thank you for considering Agenda Item C, particularly the following items:

- C-16 and C-17, to support school revenues in pre-K.
- C-18, to help address trauma, particularly for the uninsured, underinsured, or undocumented.
- C-21, in support of educational needs for homeless youth and children.
- C-24, educational supports for adjudicated youth.
- C-49, assistance for low-income families.
- C-64 and C-65, particularly supports dedicated to the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), including breastfeeding mothers.
- C-72, C-73, and C-79, which are an investment in home visiting and nurse-family partnerships: evidence-based programs that provide critical prevention and supports for families before they arrive at the doors of our child welfare systems.
- C-83, Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act funding that will sure up child care capacity by providing critical relief to child care providers during this time, particularly as Nevada pivots toward recovery.

I implore you to consider these critical investments for children and families in Nevada during this unprecedented time.

C. APPROVAL OF GIFTS, GRANTS, WORK PROGRAM REVISIONS AND POSITION CHANGES IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 353 OF NRS.

The following items under Agenda Item C were pulled for further discussion: Items C-15, Nevada Department of Education (NDE); C-17, NDE, Office of Early Learning and Development; C-73, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH); C-79, DHHS, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services (DWSS); C-94, Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation; and Reclassification, Department of Administration, Director's Office.

Agenda Items C-5, Judicial Discipline Commission, and C-61, DHHS, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) were withdrawn.

Assemblywoman Titus requested further discussion on Agenda Items C-50, DHHS, Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD); C-56, DHHS, ADSD; C-58, DHHS, ADSD; C-60, DHHS, ADSD; C-66, DHHS, DPBH; and C-83, DHHS, DWSS.

Assemblyman Roberts requested further discussion on Agenda Item C-135, Public Employees' Benefit Program.

Senator Kieckhefer requested further discussion on Agenda Item C-20, NDE; and C-62, DHHS, DHCFP.

Senator Seevers Gansert requested further discussion on Agenda Item C-18, NDE.

> ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE REMAINING WORK PROGRAM REVISIONS AND POSITION RECLASSIFICATIONS.
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> SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.
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> THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

1. Office of the Governor - Governor's Office of Finance - Budget Division - FY 2021
Addition of $63,128 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) transferred from the CARES Act 2020 account to reimburse eligible expenditures under the CRF guidelines for COVID-19 related costs. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the Contractor Support category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #21CA31340**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

2. Office of the Governor - Office of Workforce Innovation - FY 2021
Addition of $625,000 in federal H-1B Rural Healthcare Grant Program funds to offer training, job placement, advocacy, career coaching, and other services to support Nevada's unemployed and underemployed. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the H-1B Grant category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54115**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

3. Office of the Governor - Office of Workforce Innovation - FY 2021
Addition of $33,285 in federal Apprenticeship grant funds transferred from the Employment Security Division to continue funding the Technical Readiness and Apprenticeship Nevada (TRAIN) project. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the TRAIN Grant category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54160**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

4. Office of the Secretary of State - Help America Vote Act (HAVA) Election Reform - FY 2021
Addition of $73,870 in Homeland Security Program funds to provide Netflow and Intrusion detection system monitoring services. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Homeland Security Grant category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53898**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

5. Judicial Discipline Commission - FY 2021
Transfer of $29,033 from the In-State Travel category to the Operating category to cover a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount transferred to the Operating category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53804. WITHDRAWN 3-3-21.**

6. Department of Administration - Enterprise Information Technology Services - Network Transport Services - FY 2021
Transfer of $48,589 from the Reserve category to the Digital Microwave category and transfer of $8,454 from the Reserve category to the Operating category to fund repair costs to three microwave tower sites. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Digital Microwave category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54004**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

7. **Department of Administration - Nevada State Library, Archives and Public Records - State Library - FY 2021**
Addition of $173,341 in federal National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) grant funds to promote science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) learning to over 5,000 students grades 3 through 5 with hands-on bilingual NASA STEM activities. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the NASA STEM Award category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53968**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

8. **Department of Administration - Nevada State Library, Archives and Public Records - Mail Services - FY 2021**
Transfer of $95,715 from the Reserve category to the Operating category to fund a feeder/folder machine and temporary staffing for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54144**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

9. **Department of Administration - State Public Works - Buildings and Grounds - FY 2021**
Transfer of $249,616 from the Reserve category to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amounts added to the Operating category exceed $75,000. **Work Program #C54124**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

10. **Department of Administration - State Public Works - Buildings and Grounds - FY 2021**
Addition of $787,476 in Tenant Improvement Services funds transferred from the Department of Education to upgrade communications equipment and cabling at the main Carson City building. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Tenant Improvements category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54212**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

11. **Department of Education - Office of the Superintendent - FY 2021**
Addition of $71,968 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds transferred from the CARES Act ESSER Funds account to fund a temporary contract position and translation services. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the ESSER SEA Reserves category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54117**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

12. Department of Education - Office of the Superintendent - FY 2021
Addition of $121,782 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funds transferred from the CARES Act 2020 account to fund translation services. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the High-Quality Learning category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54168**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

13. Department of Education - Office of the Superintendent - FY 2021
Addition of $75,000 in federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act 2021, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER II) funds transferred from the CARES Act ESSER Funds account to fund a temporary contract position. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Opportunity in Education – ESSER II category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54171**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

14. Department of Education - District Support Services - FY 2021
Addition of $39,886 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds transferred from the CARES Act ESSER Funds account to hire two temporary contract positions to support the Grants Management Unit for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the ESSER category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54118**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

15. Department of Education - Data Systems Management - FY 2021
Addition of $2,833,852 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funds transferred from the CARES Act 2020 account to fund an expansion of services offered through Infinite Campus. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Infinite Campus System category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54169**

HEIDI HAARTZ (Deputy Superintendent for Business and Support Services, NDE): Agenda Item C-15 is a work program that seeks to utilize revenue from the Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) fund to expand services available through Infinite Campus. The funding requested would allow the department to expand the services available through Infinite Campus to serve the NDE, school districts, and charter schools by adding four premium product suites to existing services: Campus Workflow, Campus Analytics, Campus Learning, and online registration opportunities through their prime account.

SENATOR DONDERO LOOP:
How would the use of Infinite Campus data improve the identification of at-risk pupils?

DR. JONATHAN MOORE (Deputy Superintendent of Student Achievement, NDE):
Campus Analytics includes a variety of indicators to determine a student's readiness as they progress toward graduation. As data is entered into Infinite Campus and variables are identified, a score is created that helps determine a student's trajectory toward graduation. That score helps school districts and schools determine which supports and intervention services would help the student achieve a pace toward graduation.

SENATOR DONDERO LOOP:
Would the Infinite Campus process of identifying at-risk pupils reflect a single point in the school year or a continual review of pupils' data?

DR. MOORE:
It is a continuous review process. At any time, schools can meet with a student, gather data, and make determinations about that student.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
Staff indicates the calculations for determining at-risk students is proprietary, is that accurate?

DR. MOORE:
While the methodology is proprietary, there are indicators taken into consideration when generating a student's graduation score. For example, the algorithm is impacted by student data that is entered into the system, such as behavior-related incidents, household demographics—including homelessness, attendance, and academic data. All those components, which schools and districts have control to enter, work within the proprietary algorithm to help generate the score.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
No individual component will necessarily place a student in the at-risk category, is that correct?

DR. MOORE:
Correct. All the components work in concert to identify a student's score based on the determination of readiness toward graduation.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
Is there data that indicates this algorithm has successfully predicted students' risk levels in other states? Is it possible to know the details of the formula?

DR. MOORE:
Infinite Campus has evidence that the algorithm measures factors as designed. Campus Analytics is used in other states, such as Kentucky. In terms of the

specific algorithm, it is proprietary. We are privy to the indicators that comprise the algorithm, but the exact formula is proprietary. There is evidence that it works.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
Could you tell us more about attendance records? This has been an issue this year. In reviewing my children's attendance, they fall into the category of chronic absences. I recall there have been three different ways of calculating attendance this year. Is one of the department's goals to ensure the state has one consistent method of tracking attendance?

DR. MOORE:
Part of the department's request includes the Campus Workflow Suite, which is designed to improve the accuracy of tracking student attendance as well as improve efficiencies within local schools and school districts around how they process attendance.

Another part of the suite that will address attendance-related issues is the online registration component, which improves workflow so that school districts can effectively track students as they are moving through their local systems.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
When you say, "moving through their local systems," does that mean if they switch schools?

DR. MOORE:
Correct.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
Echoing what Senator Kieckhefer said about Campus Analytics, the state works hard to develop metrics within its policies that will result in successful learning. For example, defining "chronically absent" by determining the number of missed days that would put a child in the at-risk category. As policymakers, it would be helpful for the vendor to share as much information as possible about the algorithm. It would be a shame for the state's policies to be independent from the analytics when they could move congruently.

DR. MOORE:
The department can export certain data elements from the analytics. As those are available and requested, the department would be happy to share that information.

SENATOR DONDERO LOOP MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-15.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
I cannot support the motion. It is inappropriate for the state to turn over its funding formula to an algorithm that it is not permitted to understand. This is a critical piece

as the state transitions to the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan that would provide additional interventions for at-risk students. The state cannot do its job correctly if the details are withheld about how students are identified as at-risk.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
I understand Senator Kieckhefer's concerns; however, Infinite Campus has been around for a while. It is my understanding some information will be provided to the state. I think Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson said it very well, it is important to ensure the state's policies and data analytics are compatible. I had to be sold on the new funding formula. I am still uncertain about it, but in this case, the concern has been addressed. I have no problem with it moving forward.

THE MOTION PASSED. (Senators Goicoechea, Hammond, Kieckhefer, and Seevers Gansert, and Assemblymen Hafen, Leavitt, Roberts, Titus, and Tolles opposed the motion.)

16. Department of Education - Office of Early Learning and Development - FY 2021
Addition of $73,346 in federal Head Start grant funds to continue providing early childhood learning to promote school readiness of infants, toddlers, and preschool-aged children. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Head Start category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53957**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

17. Department of Education - Office of Early Learning and Development - FY 2021
Addition of $1,829,553 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funds transferred from the CARES Act 2020 account to fund pre-kindergarten seats. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the NV Ready Pre-K ATS category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54167**

HEIDI HAARTZ (Deputy Superintendent for Business and Support Services, NDE):
Agenda Item C-17 requests Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) funding of $1.8 million to provide funding for pre-K seats during FY 2022, using an amount equivalent to the braided funding for the Zoom and Victory programs. The department is requesting permission to obligate these funds for FY 2022, because the federal government requires that all funds awarded through the GEER fund be allocated within one year of the state having received those funds. That date is in the first week of May 2021.

Again, the methodology that was used to identify the funding amount was based on the amount of Zoom and Victory program funding that was previously braided to support pre-K seats as the state proceeds with the implementation of the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan. Funding that was previously designated for at-risk students and English language learners will be allocated through the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan, but the funding is only for grades K through 12, not pre-K.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN MILLER:
Would the funding be provided only to schools that utilized Zoom and Victory funding for pre-K programs in FY 2021?

MS. HAARTZ:
The NDE Office of Early Learning and Development staff worked with the subrecipients that currently provide state-funded pre-K services across the state to identify how much Zoom and Victory program funding had been used to support pre-K services. That generated the dollar amount, which is the amount the department would like to continue to provide in FY 2022 using these federal funds.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:
Would this be a restoration of funds that were previously cut?

MS. HAARTZ:
These are the funds previously invested to support pre-K seats. As the state implements the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan, this type of braided funding would not be available to support pre-K seats, because the funding that was previously used for the Zoom and Victory programs would be allocated through the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan, which only targets students in grades K through 12. Therefore, it is ensuring the state has funding to maintain existing pre-K services in Nevada, understanding that the ability to use what are currently considered Zoom and Victory funds will change moving into the 2021-23 biennium with the implementation of the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
The department is trying to true up the current funding methodology with the new funding method, which has not yet been approved by the 2021 Legislature. I want to ensure that the department's allocation will be based on the final decision of the Legislature.

MS. HAARTZ:
The pre-K budget account is scheduled to close on April 27, 2021. If the Committee approves the work program, the department could enter into subgrant agreements very quickly to obligate the funds, within the federal government's one-year requirement.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
The final funding methodology will be the one that is approved in the pre-K budget decision unit, which will be used in the 2021-23 biennium.

MS. HAARTZ:
Yes, the department would honor the funding methodology approved by the Legislature.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
I also want to ensure that the decision made by the Committee today will not impact how the budget is closed.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-17 AND DIRECT THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ALLOCATE THE FUNDING BASED ON THE FINAL DISTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY APPROVED BY THE 2021 LEGISLATURE FOR THE STATE PRE-K PROGRAM.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
I support this request. I would encourage the department to use any additional funds in this category toward the pre-K program.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

18. Department of Education - Safe and Respectful Learning - FY 2021
Addition of $844,820 in federal Trauma Recovery grant funds to continue providing trauma services for families and students who are underinsured, undocumented, or have no insurance. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Trauma Recovery Program category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53958**

HEIDI HAARTZ (Deputy Superintendent for Business and Support Services, NDE):
Agenda Item C-18 requests authority to accept an additional $844,820 in federal Trauma Recovery Demonstration grant funds, which would allow the department to continue to fulfill the requirements of that federal grant, which include providing trauma services for families and students who are underinsured, undocumented, or who have no insurance. This work program is what is referred to as an annual true-up; the department is balancing forward unexpended funds from the previous fiscal year into this fiscal year so the department can expend the funds in accordance with the budgets of the federal grant application.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:
Does the grant allow the state to serve everyone in need or is there a waitlist for services?

CHRISTY MCGILL (Director, Office for a Safe and Respectful Learning Environment, NDE):
Currently, the resources are keeping up with the demand. The department is getting more providers monthly. The goal is to not only have more providers, but also to diversify the services.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-18.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

19. Department of Education - Safe and Respectful Learning - FY 2021
Addition of $32,951 in federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act 2021, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER II) funds transferred from the CARES Act ESSER Funds account to fund a temporary contract position. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Billing Services Assistance - ESSER II category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54170**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

20. Department of Education - Student and School Support - FY 2021
Addition of $24,251,508 in federal 21st Century Learners grant funds to continue providing academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the 21st Century Learning Centers category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53930**

HEIDI HAARTZ (Deputy Superintendent for Business and Support Services, NDE):
This work program is also a true up of a federal grant. This would seek to add approximately $24.3 million in federal 21st Century Community Learning Center federal funding, which would allow the department to continue providing academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours. Again, this is an annual process used for all federal grants within the Department of Education, balancing forward any unexpended funds from the previous year.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
I think Ms. Haartz answered my question that this is an increase in authority. Original authority was $6 million, and this pulls in another $24 million. You indicated that unexpended funds could be balanced forward so a large portion of this is expected to be balanced forward into FY 2022 to support programs like summer school, correct?

MS. HAARTZ:
Yes. When federal grants are available, the department always balances forward any unexpended funds into the next fiscal year. That is not an uncommon business practice because many federal grants are funded on a federal fiscal year, so there are several months remaining in the expenditure period.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
Do you have any idea how much of the $30 million authority in this category will be balanced forward? Is there a way to project that?

MS. HAARTZ:
The NDE reimburses subrecipients upon request. Each subrecipient—each school district—submits reimbursements at different points in time so it is difficult for the department to project what will be expended in a fiscal year.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TOLLES:
Is this additional pandemic funding to help with the learning loss experienced over the past year?

DR. JONATHAN MOORE (Deputy Superintendent of Student Achievement, NDE):
Each year, the State of Nevada receives an allocation of approximately $9 million. Nevada has been a recipient of the 21st Century grant for approximately six years. While the funds can support learning loss, they are a complement to the other funds that Nevada is receiving in response to the pandemic.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-20.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

21. Department of Education - Student and School Support - FY 2021
Addition of $456,355 in federal Education for Homeless Children and Youth grant funds to continue providing homeless children and youth with equal access to a free and appropriate public education. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Homeless Children Aid to Schools category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54061**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

22. Department of Education - Student and School Support - FY 2021
Addition of $47,719 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds transferred from the CARES Act ESSER Funds account to hire two temporary contract positions to serve as Education Program Professionals for the remainder of FY 2021. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the ESSER Contract Worker category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54122**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

23. Department of Education - Student and School Support - FY 2021
Addition of $2,810,461 in federal English Language Acquisition grant funds to continue providing support for children and youth with limited English proficiency. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the English Language Acquisition Aid to School category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54174**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

24. Department of Education - Student and School Support - FY 2021
Addition of $984,987 in federal Neglected and Delinquent Children grant funds to continue providing educational continuity for children and youth in state-run institutions for juveniles and in adult correctional institutions. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Neglected and Delinquent Aid category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54178**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

25. Department of Education - Continuing Education - FY 2021
Addition of $2,016,350 in federal Adult Education grant funds to continue providing support for programs of adult education. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Adult Basic Education Aid to Schools category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54172**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

26. Department of Education - Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) - FY 2021
Addition of $35,514,934 in federal Special Education grant funds to continue providing a free, appropriate public education to all children with disabilities. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Special Education Aid to Schools category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54177**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

27. State Public Charter School Authority - FY 2021
Addition of $678,419 in English Language Learner grant funds transferred from the Nevada Department of Education to continue to support English Language Learner programs. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the State English Language Learner category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53905**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

28. State Public Charter School Authority - FY 2021
Addition of $2,498,472 in federal Title II, Part A - Improving Teacher Quality grant funds transferred from the Nevada Department of Education to continue programs to increase academic achievement by improving teacher and principal quality. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Federal Title IIA Teacher Quality category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53907**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

29. State Public Charter School Authority - FY 2021

Addition of $256,356 in federal Title III English Language Acquisition grant funds transferred from the Nevada Department of Education to continue to improve the education of limited English proficient children and youths. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Federal Title III English Language Acquisition category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53909**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

30. State Public Charter School Authority - FY 2021

Addition of $3,193,175 in federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B grant funds transferred from the Nevada Department of Education to continue special education services in all eligible sponsored charter schools. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Special Education category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53913**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

31. State Public Charter School Authority - FY 2021

Addition of $40,559 in federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B, Section 619 grant funds transferred from the Nevada Department of Education to continue special education - early childhood services in all eligible sponsored charter schools. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Early Childhood category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53914**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

32. State Public Charter School Authority - FY 2021

Addition of $4,585,765 in federal Title I, Part A Grants to Local Educational Agencies grant funds transferred from the Nevada Department of Education to continue supporting schools with high percentages of children from low-income families. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Federal Title I, Part A category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53906**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

33. State Public Charter School Authority - FY 2021

Addition of $79,222 in federal Title IVA grant funds transferred from the Nevada Department of Education to support the Student Support and Academic Enrichment program. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Federal Title IVA 84.424A category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53910**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

34. State Public Charter School Authority - FY 2021
Addition of $21,998,843 in federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER II) funds transferred from the Nevada Department of Education to provide emergency financial relief to charter schools to address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the ESSER II category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54092**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

35. Nevada System of Higher Education - System Administration - FY 2021
Transfer of $58 from the NSHE Operations category to the Reserve for Reversion to General Fund category for expenditures that will be offset with Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act funding. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount transferred from the NSHE Operations category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #21CA2986**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

36. Nevada System of Higher Education - University of Nevada, Reno - FY 2021
Transfer of $262,260 from the NSHE Operations category to the Reserve for Reversion to General Fund category for expenditures that will be offset with Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act funding. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Reserve for Reversion to General Fund category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #21CA2980**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

37. Nevada System of Higher Education - Great Basin College - FY 2021
Transfer of $9,538 from the NSHE Operations category to the Reserve for Reversion to General Fund category for expenditures that will be offset with Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act funding. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount transferred from the NSHE Operations category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #21CA2994**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

38. Nevada System of Higher Education - College of Southern Nevada - FY 2021
Transfer of $231,612 from the NSHE Operations category to the Reserve for Reversion to General Fund category for expenditures that will be offset with Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act funding. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Reserve for Reversion to General Fund category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #21CA3011**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

39. Nevada System of Higher Education - Nevada State College -FY 2021
Transfer of $589 from the NSHE Operations category to the Reserve for Reversion to General Fund category for expenditures that will be offset with Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act funding. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount transferred from the NSHE Operations category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #21CA3005**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

40. Department of Agriculture - Registration and Enforcement - FY 2021
Addition of $50,000 in federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM) funds to fund one new Agriculturist position to support the BLM seed program partnership. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the Personnel Services category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53754**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

41. Division of Minerals - FY 2021
Transfer of $49,476 from the Reserve category to the Abandoned Mine Land (AML) Support category to continue efforts safeguarding abandoned mines throughout the state. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the AML Support category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54056**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

42. Department of Business and Industry - Office of Business and Planning - FY 2021
Addition of $68,527 in application fees transferred from the Private Activity Bond account and $11,245 in application fees transferred from the New Markets Performance Guarantee account to correct authority as a result of Assembly Bill 3 from the 31st Special Session. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Personnel category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEM C.43**. **Work Program #C53858**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

43. Department of Business and Industry - Private Activity Bonds - FY 2021
Transfer of $68,527 from the Personnel Services category to the Office of Business Finance and Planning (OBFP) category to correct authority as a result of Assembly Bill 3 from the 31st Special Session. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the OBFP category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **RELATES TO ITEM C.42. Work Program #C53929.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

44. Department of Business and Industry - Division of Industrial Relations - FY 2021
Transfer of $20,306 from the Personnel Services category to the Operating category to support contracted security services at the Las Vegas office. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount deducted from the Personnel Services category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53928**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

45. Department of Business and Industry - Industrial Relations - Occupational Safety and Health Enforcement - FY 2021
Transfer of $19,239 from the Personnel Services category to the Operating category and $5,166 from the Personnel Services category to the Mechanical Section category to support contracted security services at the Las Vegas office. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount deducted from the Personnel Services category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54018**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

46. Department of Business and Industry - Housing - Account for Low-Income Housing - FY 2021
Transfer of $5,702,974 from the ~~Lot Rent~~ ***Encumbered*** Reserve~~s~~ category to the Loan Disbursements category to cover projected Low-Income Housing Trust Fund subgrantee reimbursement requests. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Loan Disbursements category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53752. REVISED 3-4-21.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

47. Department of Business and Industry - Housing - Weatherization - FY 2021
Addition of $555,797 in Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funds transferred from the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services to assist low-income households for home energy assistance projects. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the LIHEAP Subgrants category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53601**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

48. Department of Health and Human Services - Director's Office - Grants Management Unit - FY 2021

Addition of $2,354,741 in federal Title XX Social Services Block Grant funds, transfer of $267,754 from the Title XX Admin category to the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) Southern Nevada Child and Adolescent category and $2,246 from the Title XX Admin category to the DCFS Northern Nevada Child and Adolescent category to continue to provide social services for needy families. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Non-State Title XX Subgrants category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53190**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

49. Department of Health and Human Services - Director's Office - Grants Management Unit - FY 2021

Addition of $3,627,506 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds to provide additional support to community action agencies with a critical need for essential assistance to low-income individuals and families, including those with disabilities, and seniors as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the CSBG CARES Grant category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53996**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

50. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Home and Community-Based Services - FY 2021

Addition of $18,004 in federal Title XIX Medicaid Case Management funds to align with an increased blended Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate through June 2021. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the Reserve for Reversion category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54135**

Agenda Items C-50, C-56, C-58, and C-60 were discussed jointly. Refer to testimony and motion for approval under Agenda Item C-60.

51. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Home and Community-Based Services - FY 2021

Addition of $1,079,543 in federal Title XX grant funds transferred from the Department of Health and Human Services Director's Office to continue providing Adult Protective and Homemaker services. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amounts added to the Title XX Purchase of Services category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53870**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

52. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Home and Community-Based Services - FY 2021

Addition of $795,772 in federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021: Grants to Enhance Adult Protective Services (APS) to

Respond to COVID-19 grant funds to investigate allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation in the context of COVID-19. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the APS COVID-19 category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54024**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

53. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Communication Access Services - FY 2021

Transfer of $96,594 from the Reserve category to the Personnel Services category to fund a new Executive Director position pursuant to Senate Bill 93 of the 2019 Legislative Session. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Personnel Services category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54189**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

54. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Autism Treatment Assistance Program - FY 2021

Transfer of $369,638 from the Personnel Services category to the Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) Cost Allocation category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the ADSD Cost Allocation category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53985**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

55. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Sierra Regional Center - FY 2021

Transfer of $1,500,000 from the Jobs and Day Training category to the Residential Supports category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Residential Supports category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53564**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

56. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Sierra Regional Center - FY 2021

Addition of $586,394 in federal Medicaid Title XIX - Waiver funds and $12,555 in federal Title XIX Medicaid - Community Services funds to align with an increased blended Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate through June 2021. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Reserve for Reversion category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54128**

Agenda Items C-50, C-56, C-58, and C-60 were discussed jointly. Refer to testimony and motion for approval under Agenda Item C-60.

57. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Sierra Regional Center - FY 2021

Transfer of $45,000 from the Operating category, $85,000 from the Jobs and Day Training category and $55,000 from the Utilities category to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category to fund critical paving improvements to ensure accessibility and compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54093**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

58. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Desert Regional Center - FY 2021

Addition of $1,334,474 in federal Title XIX Medicaid - Waiver funds and $41,916 in federal Title XIX Medicaid - Community Services funds to align with an increased blended Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate through June 2021. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Reserve for Reversion category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54114**

Agenda Items C-50, C-56, C-58, and C-60 were discussed jointly. Refer to testimony and motion for approval under Agenda Item C-60.

59. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Desert Regional Center - FY 2021

Transfer of $76,100 from the Personnel Services category to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category to fund the removal of two unused kitchens at Desert Regional Center. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53851**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

60. Department of Health and Human Services - Aging and Disability Services - Rural Regional Center - FY 2021

Addition of $200,554 in federal Title XIX Medicaid - Waiver funds and $10,044 in federal Title XIX Medicaid - Community Services funds to align with an increased blended Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate through June 2021. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Reserve for Reversion category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54126**

Agenda Items C-50, C-56, C-58, and C-60 were discussed jointly.

JESSICA ADAMS (Deputy Administrator, Aging and Disability Services Division, DHHS):

Agenda Items C-50, C-56, C-58, and C-60 request additions of federal dollars into those budgets. The Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) increased to 6.2% due to the Families First Coronavirus Response Act. The 6.2% FMAP continues through the end of the quarter during which the declared public health

emergency ends. Currently, the public health emergency is declared through April 20, 2021, which means the FMAP increase will expire June 30, 2021.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
I asked that these agenda items be pulled because the FMAP increase was projected to be extended, but it was not definite at that time. The FMAP increase has now been extended. The work program reverts the addition General Funds that will be saved by the increased Medicaid revenues. An addition of approximately $2 million will revert into the General Fund because the FMAP increase has been extended and it has been confirmed that the money is available, correct?

MS. ADAMS:
Yes, that is my understanding.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
Those funds return to the General Fund because now Nevada has this guaranteed FMAP funding, correct?

MS. ADAMS:
Correct.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ- THOMPSON:
It is interesting to think about how the cuts implemented in the summer of 2020 and the extension of the FMAP increase and subsequent extensions are playing out. The reductions that were put in place have not yet impacted the providers.

MS. ADAMS:
The budgets in Agenda Item C-50, for the Home and Community-Based Services Program, are for waivers for people with physical disabilities or who are elderly. There are providers in that category that had the 6.2% rate reduction. However, that is in the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy budget. The services in Agenda Items C-56, C-58, and C-60 are all developmental services. The providers in those budgets did not receive a rate reduction.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS C-50, C-56, C-58, AND C-60.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
These cuts were made to balance the budget and deal with the issues faced by the state. There will be more conversations about the waiver process. Many providers never actually took the cuts due to the lengthy waiver process. There will be a lot of truing up in the future. It will be good for this Committee to understand who took a cut and who did not.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

61. Department of Health and Human Services - Health Care Financing and Policy - Health Care Financing and Policy Administration - FY 2021

Addition of $1,843,200 in federal Title XIX funds and $204,800 in Nevada Community Foundation donations to fund Health Information Exchange activities. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Health Information Technology Grant category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53921. WITHDRAWN 3-12-21.**

62. Department of Health and Human Services - Health Care Financing and Policy - Medicaid - FY 2021

Addition of $41,054 in federal Title XXI funds and $306,210,130 in federal Title XIX funds to align with an increased blended Federal Medical Assistance Percentage rate through June 2021. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Newly Eligible category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54112**

PHILLIP BURRELL (Deputy Administrator, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, DHHS):
This work program requests a transfer from the Parents and Children category to the Newly Eligible category to fund an increase due to higher caseload for the newly eligible populations that have been legislatively approved. This work program also requests the addition of Title XIX and Title XXI federal funds, as necessary, to align with additional FMAP due to the COVID-19 increases associated with the public health emergency. With the current public health emergency, the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services have offered states a 6.2 percentage point increase in the FMAP rate for the traditional Medicaid population. The increase in the FMAP rate requires states to maintain eligibility for all population through the end of the pandemic. As a result, the division is requesting this program to align various category and federal revenue shortfalls.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
I understand that this work program was prepared and submitted in February 2021, so some numbers may have changed. It looks like approximately $306 million in revenue, while only $241 million is needed to cover the shortfall in the Newly Eligible category. Does that leave approximately $65 million to balance forward?

MELISSA LAUFER-LEWIS (Chief Financial Officer, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, DHHS):
Essentially, the division is anticipating a shortfall in federal revenue of $306 million. However, it would not generate additional reversion funds. At this point, the division is anticipating a State General Fund surplus at the end of the state fiscal year, but most of those funds will be used as part of the division's budget reductions for the next biennial budget.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
Whether it is used for budget savings or a balance forward, this will free up approximately $65 million, correct?

Ms. LAUFER-LEWIS:
That is correct.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER:
The Newly Eligible category has projected expenditures for the current fiscal year of approximately $1 billion more than the Medical Assistance to Aged, Blind and Disabled (MAABD) category, is that correct?

Ms. LAUFER-LEWIS:
That is correct. The Newly Eligible category has increased dramatically. With the additional maintenance of effort and caseload requirements as part of the Coronavirus Relief Fund, this is the largest population experiencing increases. The current increase is approximately 34% above the legislatively approved caseload.

SENATOR KIECKHEFER MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-62.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

63. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Health Statistics and Planning - FY 2021
Addition of $45,684 in Licenses and Fees and transfer of $46,118 from the Reserve category to the County Disbursement category to cover increased costs of credits applied to the Office of the County Coroner for certificates of death. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the County Disbursement category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53894**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

64. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Women, Infants, and Children Food Supplement - FY 2021
Addition of $144,985 in federal Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Breastfeeding Peer Counselor grant funding to continue to improve the health and nutrition of eligible new moms and their infants. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the WIC Breastfeeding Program category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53016**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

65. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Women, Infants, and Children Food Supplement - FY 2021

Addition of $1,863,838 in Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Rebate funds to expend on food for WIC participants. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Aid to Indigent-Rebate category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53887**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

66. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Communicable Diseases - FY 2021

Addition of $4,928,514 in pharmaceutical rebates and transfer of $115,774 from the Reserve category to the Comprehensive Care category to continue to provide medical and supportive services to clients under Ryan White Part B. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Comprehensive Care category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53522**

JULIA PEEK (Deputy Administrator, Community Health Services, Division of Public and Behavioral Health, DHHS):
The division is requesting authority for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) for pharmaceutical rebates to continue to provide core medical and support services to clients under Part B of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
In the notes, it says the care is given through Northern Nevada HOPES, community and cultural training programs, Southern Nevada Health District, Planned Parenthood, Washoe County Health District, and Carson Human Services. I want to make sure that this program and these rebate funds will be spread throughout the state. There is some concern that people will only be able to get treatment through one program. I would like clarification.

MS. PEEK:
The rebates are complicated, so I try to stay high level. All the entities that you named receive funds through this program to provide direct services. The division does not provide direct services; the division provides the funding for those services throughout the state. In late 2019, the level of rebates realized, based on program utilization, was getting smaller. Expenses were increasing and income was decreasing, related to rebates. After investigation, the division found that this had to do with a number of agencies in the community turning to a 340B model. The division cannot realize a rebate if they are using that program model on the pharmaceutical dispense. The division offered options for policy changes, but as discussed at prior IFC meetings, community partners and clients were concerned about that. Today, the division has requested information on program income realized through that program locally so the division can understand what policy implications might be made with effect to the community partners. The division understands that it will probably not pull in the rebates needed; therefore, in preparation, the division provided shortened subawards to community partners so

there is time to realize the rebates. The division does not want to over project what will be awarded, understanding that there could be potential cuts coming from the state for those programs. At this point, everything will be offered at level funding for the next several months as the division looks at the 340B agencies' program income versus the division's rebates to better assess the division's obligations and the agencies' income. The division wants to ensure that clients across the state can continue to receive the services they need, whether that be done locally through program income and agencies, or through the state again via rebates. The division is not married to either option.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
Perhaps a primer on pharmaceutical rebates would be appropriate. It is important that members of this body understand because our constituents will reach out about these rebates. As you sort through these rebates and decide what is best to maximize return, I want to ensure that the state does not limit or cut off any of the other resources that people desperately need throughout the state. No community is spared from this horrific disease. Access to this care is important and the transparency with these rebates is needed.

CHAIR BROOKS:
I agree that a primer is in order. That would be helpful to the Committee when they are communicating with their constituents.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-66.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

67. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Public Health Preparedness Program - FY 2021
Addition of $1,308,381 in federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Hospital and Healthcare Preparedness Program grant funds and transfer of $51,985 from the Division Cost Allocation category to the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) Hospital Preparedness Program category to continue to provide preparedness activities. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the ASPR Hospital Preparedness program category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53634**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

68. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Public Health Preparedness Program - FY 2021
Addition of $2,120,607 in federal Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant funds and transfer of $19 from the Ebola Preparedness and Response Act category to the Public Health Preparedness category and $37,503 from the Division Cost Allocation category to the Public Health Preparedness category to continue to

provide emergency preparedness activities through the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Public Health Preparedness category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53974**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

69. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Chronic Disease - FY 2021

Addition of $36,500 in federal Cancer Prevention and Control grant funds to provide early cancer prevention, early detection, and survivorship services. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to Comprehensive Cancer category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53984**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

70. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Chronic Disease - FY 2021

Addition of $229,500 in federal National State-Based Tobacco Control Programs grant funds and transfer of $1,873 from the Information Services category to the Tobacco Grant category to continue providing activities to reduce tobacco use by youth, promote quitting, eliminate exposure to second-hand smoke, and identifying and eliminating tobacco-related health disparities. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Tobacco Grant category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54001**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

71. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Chronic Disease - FY 2021

Addition of $30,358 in federal U.S. Department of Agriculture grant funds transferred from the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services and transfer of $41 from the Information Services category to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - Education category to provide nutrition education and awareness. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - Education category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54039**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

72. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Services - FY 2021

Addition of $158,726 in Home Visiting Program federal funds to provide home visiting services to reduce infant mortality and build parenting skills. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Home Visiting Program category exceeds $75,000 for that category. **Work Program #C53942**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

73. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Services - FY 2021
Addition of $157,368 in federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant funds transferred from the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services to expand the current Home Visiting Program by initiating a Nurse-Family Partnership program in Clark and Nye Counties. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Home Visiting Program TANF category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEM C.79**. **Work Program #C53943**

Agenda Items C-73 and C-79 were discussed jointly. Refer to testimony and motion for approval under Agenda Item C-79.

74. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Behavioral Health Prevention and Treatment - FY 2021
Addition of $52,495 in federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration - Nevada Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) - Partnership for Success (PFS) grant funds to provide substance abuse prevention activities for young adults. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the SPF-PFS Grant category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54016**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

75. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Behavioral Health Prevention and Treatment - FY 2021
Addition of $124,975 in subgranted, non-federal funds through Vibrant Emotional Health to plan for implementation of the 988 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added the Nevada 988 category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54068**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

76. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Behavioral Health Prevention and Treatment - FY 2021
Addition of $2,767,598 in Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration federal funds to address mental and substance use disorders during the COVID-19 pandemic. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment COVID-19 category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54073**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

77. Department of Health and Human Services - Public and Behavioral Health - Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services - FY 2021
Transfer of $75,602 from the Community Triage Center category to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category to fund a replacement boiler.

Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54159**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

78. Department of Health and Human Services - Welfare and Supportive Services - Administration - FY 2021

Addition of $510,106 in transfer from the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation to reimburse payroll for assistance with processing unemployment insurance eligibility, adjudication, and fraud claims. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Reserve for Reversion Federal category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEMS C.81 and C.97**. **Work Program #C54020**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

79. Department of Health and Human Services - Welfare and Supportive Services - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - FY 2021

Addition of $157,368 in federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant funds transferred to the Division of Public and Behavioral Health to expand the current Home Visiting Program by initiating a Nurse-Family Partnership program in Clark and Nye Counties. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to TANF Transfers category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEM C.73**. **Work Program #C54038**

Agenda Items C-73 and C-79 were discussed jointly.

STEVE FISHER (Administrator, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, DHHS): The Division of Welfare and Support Services (DWSS) began discussions with the Division of Public and Behavioral Health around July 2020. It was determined then that this was a perfect use of TANF funds for the following reasons:

1. Nevada would join 17 other states that use TANF funds to support Nurse-Family Partnership programs.

2. The Nurse-Family Partnership is an evidence-based community health program with over 40 years of evidence showing significant improvements in the health and lives of first-time moms and their children living in poverty. The TANF program supports a two-generational approach as well.

3. The Nurse-Family Partnership program goal is to improve the economic self-sufficiency of the family by helping parents develop a vision for their own future, plan future pregnancies, and continue their education and find work. This aligns with two of the purposes of TANF: to provide assistance to needy families so that children may be cared for in their own homes or in the homes of relatives, and to end the dependency of needy parents on governmental benefits by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage.

4. According to a 2015 study by Dr. Ted Miller with the Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation, the Nurse-Family Partnership services resulted in lower enrollment in Medicaid and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), with an 8.5% reduction in Medicaid costs from birth to age 18 and a 9.6% reduction in SNAP costs in the 12 years following the birth of the child. Federal savings were estimated at approximately $3 billion for the TANF, SNAP, and Medicaid programs.

These are the primary reasons the division supports the use of TANF funding for this program. The DWSS has a decision unit in its budget that supports the expansion of this program in FY 2022 and FY 2023. These funds for this work program will be used to cover expansion start-up costs such as hiring and training so that the expansion infrastructure will be in place for the start of the fiscal year or soon thereafter.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
The potential to grow the program is exciting. My questions relate to logistics. This work program requests a subgrant to the Southern Nevada Department of Public Health May 1, 2021, through June 30, 2021: just the remainder of this fiscal year. The budgets for the next biennium have not yet been closed. How does the continuity of this funding play out? If the Committee approves this request and then there are changes beginning July 1, 2021, what would that look like on the ground? Would that mean hiring people and then letting them go? Are there operational costs that have more flexibility that are not so human-capital-based?

MR. FISHER:
The division is anticipating TANF reserves at the end of this fiscal year. If there were issues or concerns with the budget closing, the division could come before the Committee again with another work program. The division is projecting approximately $30 million in TANF reserves; therefore, I do not foresee any issues regarding funding it with TANF dollars.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
Once this lands at the subgrantee level, it will not be subgranted again, correct?

MR. FISHER:
I am quite certain that is the case.

JULIA PEEK (Deputy Administrator, Community Health Services, Division of Public and Behavioral Health, DHHS):
Many of the DPBH programs run on grant funds. The subawardees know that it is contingent upon funding. The division hopes that this is a long-term investment, but all subawardees know that all the funding is flexible.

KARISSA LOPER (Bureau Chief, Bureau of Child, Family and Community Wellness, Division of Public and Behavioral Health, DHHS):
Yes, it is subgranted to the Southern Nevada Health District to run a nurse-family partnership. It is not subgranted again from there.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
Is the expectation that the health district will spend $150,000 in that two-month period or does it just need to be planned for by the end of the fiscal year?

MR. FISHER:
It must be planned for by the end of the fiscal year.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
We are talking about TANF recipients, but they will not be the only people involved in this program. What are the categories of people that will be reached? Will they all need to qualify for TANF?

MR. FISHER:
To use TANF funds, there has to be a means test.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
The subcategories of women under 21, families with children with developmental delays or disabilities, and families serving in the armed forces are all within the TANF program, correct?

MR. FISHER:
That is correct. As long as they are eligible under certain federal poverty limits, they can be eligible for the TANF funds in this program.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS C-73 AND C-79.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

80. Department of Health and Human Services - Welfare and Supportive Services - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families - FY 2021
Addition of $351,000 in federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant funds to fund system maintenance updates relating to TANF eligibility rules. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to TANF System Maintenance category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53825**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

81. Department of Health and Human Services - Welfare and Supportive Services - Welfare Field Services - FY 2021
Addition of $3,004,908 in transfer from the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation to reimburse payroll for assistance with processing unemployment insurance eligibility, adjudication, and fraud claims. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Reserve for Reversion

Federal category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEMS C.78 and C.97**. **Work Program #C54034**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

82. Department of Health and Human Services - Welfare and Supportive Services - Child Support Enforcement Program - FY 2021
Transfer of $348,124 from the Personnel Services category to the Operating category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54062**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

83. Department of Health and Human Services - Welfare and Supportive Services - Child Assistance and Development - FY 2021
Addition of $92,725,733 in federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Act (CRRSA) grant funds to provide assistance to child care providers to prevent, prepare for and respond to the continued impact of coronavirus. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Fed CRRSA category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54037**

STEVE FISHER (Administrator, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, DHHS): Agenda Item C-83 requests additional authority of $92,725,733 in federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Act (CRRSA) grant funds to provide assistance to child care providers to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the continued impact of coronavirus.

CHRISTELL ASKEW (Chief, Child Care and Development, DWSS):
The division has developed a two-phase plan with some overlap. The goal is to support long-term impact in the child care industry. One of the first pieces is resolving current issues. There is continued low enrollment in child care and supporting safety precautions. To ensure that child care exists after the pandemic, the division has to focus on sustaining existing business through subsidy, grants, and personal protective equipment (PPE). That includes support for subsidized child care through temporary policy expansions, subsidy based on enrollment rather than attendance, opening the waitlist to support frontline workers—including child care staff, and supporting licensed child care in general. The division is looking at restoration grants, operating cost stimulus grants, and funding COVID-19 related supplies or purchasing and distributing PPE.

The second phase, as the vaccine becomes available and assuming people will be returning to work, will be to support the economic recovery of the state. The division is looking at a long-term impact in the child care industry. This includes provider and staff recruitment and support; start-up grants; restart grants for providers that closed due to COVID-19; wraparound support, including child care networks for existing and newly-recruited providers; utilizing existing community-based models to recruit new child care providers to start new

businesses; and supporting existing license-exempt family, friends, and neighbors and helping them to become licensed child care providers, grow into a business, and serve more children, especially in child care deserts. The division wants to build a strong partnership with the business community and assist them with smaller learning pods for their employees. The division has a wonderful partnership with Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). The division wants to work with family resource centers for recruitment, really building this with community partners. The division wants to provide business training, technical assistance, pandemic-related health and safety trainings, and resources that will evolve with the need. The division will work with child care staff because the workforce is a huge part of what the division is doing. The division will look at existing community-based models for recruitment too. Through the partnership with WIOA, the division wants to get people onboard and provide mentorship, paid internships, and placements in the field of early childhood. The division wants to make sure it is looking at the outcomes, the cost, and the return on investment (ROI), and long-term results; it is all about data.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:
The Committee has a breakdown of counties and some of the entities. The accountability piece was mentioned. If the state is paying for enrollment but the children are not necessarily there, I would like an idea of what that looks like. Nevada needs good child care, and this will help. Nevada needs to ensure businesses remain open. I would like to see metrics related to that. Also, how did the division determine the amount?

MS. ASKEW:
In looking at long-term stabilization of child care, part of what the division is doing—in addition to trying to open the waitlist temporarily and pay by enrollment versus attendance temporarily—is getting into those child care programs and assessing what their longer-term needs are and providing support to help them accumulate cost savings. One way the division is doing that is by putting together a staffed child care network. Part of that is a shared services agreement that takes some of the burden and cost away from the providers so they can have some funding freed up to help pay staff higher wages and put more money toward quality within the child care program.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:
Are you talking about sharing the administrative piece of this for the grants?

MS. ASKEW:
Absolutely. That is part of the accounting piece, removing some of the burden of the business. It also includes buying equipment and supplies in bulk for cost savings.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:
When you do that, do the entities like Children's Cabinet and Urban League do the purchasing and then distribute the materials to the child care entities that are receiving funds under their umbrellas?

MS. ASKEW:
At this time, the division provides incredible technical assistance. The division is working with an entity called Home Grown that is going to help the division develop a plan to put this together. The hope is to have a tiered family child care network that includes family child care and smaller centers. The division has not yet determined how the funding and support will be distributed to the providers. In doing that, the division will need deliverables and outcomes from the entities that would be partnering with the division.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:
Is it your intent to provide an updated report to the Committee? It is a lot of money—$93 million. The Committee wants to ensure it is provided with the outcomes, and that the state can create a more robust network of child care.

MS. ASKEW:
The division plans to gather data, and track and share outcomes.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
I am concerned about the money, the accountability, the follow up, and how everything will be tracked. From what was submitted with this budget item, $110 million has already spent toward this effort. The request is for an addition of approximately $93 million. It is going to be distributed to the Urban League, Children's Cabinet, and various community partners. I am concerned about that funding—$93 million—being distributed into the communities as well as the line-item accountability once the funds are distributed. Approximately $1 million will go toward PPE—the rest of this money is going to Children's Cabinet, Urban League, and various community partners. I am concerned about who is going to monitor that—not just outcome data but where this money will go, who is going to spend it, when they are going to report to the division, what the entities plans are, and who in the division holds these entities accountable. Is the division providing this money to 565 child care businesses? Is that all the child care businesses in Nevada? What is the end goal? How many do child care businesses does Nevada need? What are the real needs as people return to work? I am concerned about knowing the outcomes.

MS. ASKEW:
Using CARES Act funds, the division provided stimulus grants to providers to cover three months of operating costs. In May 2020, the state was down approximately 66% of child care providers. The division then distributed the funds for operating costs, and by December 2020, many of those providers were open again. They are still struggling with overhead costs and keeping their heads above water. A portion of these funds will be used for stimulus grants to those providers. The division hopes to provide a stimulus check to every licensed provider. Providers will need to complete an application and the division will gather as much data as possible about capacity, enrollment, attendance, and other information. The CARES Act funds appeared to have a positive impact on providers so a good portion of these funds will go toward a similar effort where the division will look at

operating costs and calculate capacity. The division's intent is to have that kind of impact again to help sustain those child care businesses right now to meet their immediate need. Even before COVID-19, they were running on a thin margin. The division is trying to maintain the child care industry by providing operating cost grants. A portion of funds will go to community entities, but the division's intention is to be extremely involved in all the activities. Before any funding is provided, entities are required, through their subaward, to provide the division their deliverables and outcomes. The division will be monitoring how the funds are spent. The division will also be involved in developing the plan. The division will have subject matter experts involved in building those plans. Being from the federal government and from the entity Home Grown mentioned earlier, they are excited to work with Nevada and help the state with this plan.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
Are there only 565 licensed child care providers in the state?

MS. ASKEW:
There are more child care providers than that. However, the division does not intend to provide operating cost funding to the Head Start programs, which are already federally funded. They also received some funding related to COVID-19. The division is only looking at licensed family in-home care and licensed centers.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
Excluding the Head Start programs, are there only 565 licensed child care providers in the state?

MS. ASKEW:
The division is looking at 560 providers. Before the funding is disseminated, the division's intention is to ensure it has captured all the licensed providers aside from Head Start providers. There may be a small shift in the way the funding looks, but it should be fairly similar.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
My question was not answered, you can report back. I am concerned about the accountability piece when the funding is distributed to these major nonprofits and looking at where the funds are being spent and if it really gets to your intent of making sure there is access to high-quality child care throughout the state. I am looking at the breakdown of the funds spent by the division, $45 million in different counties, but there is an additional $34 million. It has not been broken down where the funds were distributed. I am concerned. I would like to see not just that information, but the whole global business plan the division has in mind. There is a need throughout this state. I would appreciate follow up on this funding, some outcome information, and how this money affects the children, which is what we are all here for.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
There is an issue with quality child care in the state, and there have been discussions and attempts to pass legislative measures to fix the issue for years.

The have been conversations on this issue in the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Ways and Means. Former Governor Sandoval put a large amount into child care. Child care is a small business that makes businesses work. If Nevada is sincerely committed to getting women back into the workforce post pandemic, then it must support child care. There have been conversations for years about the limited number of spaces. We have all seen what happened with the first portion of money referenced. This Committee talked about that $30 million, staff provided a record about what was happening with those funds. I am sensitive to the fact that it is painted as if the state has not been talking about this issue, where these dollars have been allocated, and how the dollars should be spent. I do not want that to be the legislative record because this has been a conversation for a while.

I see there are still waitlist slots. I do not know what percentage of the waitlist is a capacity issue—not having enough slots—versus if it is just funding, and if more slots will be funded.

MS. ASKEW:
The division will get a lot more information about capacity versus enrollment and attendance when the applications are received from providers. The long-term goal in this program is to look at how the subsidy program is set up, how reimbursement payments are being handled, and what families are being impacted. The division's intention is to overhaul what that looks like. Part of this funding—and this was required in the guidance for the grant—is to provide those stimulus checks. As stated earlier, the stimulus checks were helpful last time. The other portion—approximately $30 million—is to get into the infrastructure of child care, assess what the issues are, and absolutely as a part of our long-term goal, the division intends to look at how many families are being served, how they are being served, and make necessary changes.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON:
If those dollars allow for any flexibility, it is a moment to talk about the capital issue that comes along with child care and increasing slots, which would mean facility space. This could be the state's one and only chance to catch up on that issue.

CHAIR BROOKS:
This is the frontline; these are the first casualties of the pandemic. Without child care, our economy will not run. Women have taken the brunt of the damage that has been caused by the pandemic. They are also disproportionately involved in the raising of children. This is such an important piece. The federal funds go directly to helping on the frontlines. This is what the Committee voted on over the past year. These are the frontlines that need to be supported.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TOLLES:
There was a question of how the $93 million amount was reached. I think it was a certain amount multiplied by the 565 child care facilities. Is that correct?

MS. ASKEW:
The division looked at the capacity of all the licensed child care providers and calculated 75% of operating costs for that capacity.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:
I agree this is an important issue and I will be supporting the division's request. The state needs to make sure that quality child care is available so Nevada's families can get back to work. I also appreciate that the division will be coming back with some accountability as far as where the money is spent, how it is distributed, etc.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-83.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS:
I will also be supporting the motion. It is important that Nevada has child care to get Nevada's citizens back to work. The most important part of my line of questioning is the accountability piece. I look forward to supporting this. Even more so, I look forward to the follow-up from the division about where these funds are being spent, and truly seeing that with this kind of funding, Nevada should be able to raise the bar on quality of child care in the state.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
That is the job of IFC; that is what the Committee does. That is why the IFC held 21 meetings last interim: to ensure accountability. I do not want there to be any misconception in the public that the IFC is not going to be doing its job after the Legislature adjourns sine die on May 31.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

84. Department of Health and Human Services - Welfare and Supportive Services - Child Assistance and Development - FY 2021
Addition of $106,000 in federal Child Care and Developmental Discretionary grant funds to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53951**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

85. Department of Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services - Children, Youth and Family Administration - FY 2021
Addition of $8,995,021 in federal Victims of Crime Assistance grant funds to allow for services to be provided for victims of crime. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the US Crime Victims category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53994**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

86. Department of Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services - Children, Youth and Family Administration - FY 2021
Addition of $266,366 in federal John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program grant funds to provide services to current and former foster youth to achieve self-sufficiency. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Independent Living category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54014**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

87. Department of Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services - Children, Youth and Family Administration - FY 2021
Addition of $253,861 in federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act grant funds to continue statewide direct services to victims of family violence, domestic violence and dating violence. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Family Violence category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54015**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

88. Department of Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services - Children, Youth and Family Administration - FY 2021
Addition of $892,302 in federal Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program, Title IV-B, Subpart II grant funds to provide support services that address family support, family preservation, time-limited family reunification, and adoption promotion and support. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Title IV-B Subpart II category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54007**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

89. Department of Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services - Children, Youth and Family Administration - FY 2021
Addition of $334,389 in federal State Victim Liaison Project grant funds to establish and enhance victim services to Nevada's rural and tribal regions. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the State Victim Liaison Project category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53924**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

90. Department of Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services - Review of Death of Children - FY 2021

Transfer of $52,911 from the Reserve category to the Review of Death of Children category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Review of Death of Children category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53947**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

91. Department of Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services - Juvenile Justice Services - FY 2021

Addition of $58,022 in COVID Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) grant funds transferred from the Department of Public Safety to purchase COVID-19 related equipment and supplies for the Division of Child and Family Services, Juvenile Justice program. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the CESF Grant category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53408**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

92. Department of Health and Human Services - Child and Family Services - Juvenile Justice Services - FY 2021

Addition of $53,800 in Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance grant funds transferred from the Department of Public Safety to enhance the Tyler Supervision Electronic Case Management System. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Edward Byrne Memorial Grant category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53847**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

93. Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation - Employment Security - Special Fund - FY 2021

Transfer of $1,450 from the Reserve category to the Legal and Court Costs category to fund Contempt of Court fees and Order to Pay Filing Fees. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the Legal and Court Costs category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54127**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

94. Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation - Unemployment Insurance - FY 2021

Addition of $12,654,321 in federal Pandemic Unemployment Assistance funds to support the implementation of changes in the program. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53986**

LYNDA PARVEN (Administrator, Employment Security Division, DETR):
This work program brings in $7.6 million in federal Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) funds to support the implementation of and changes in the PUA program. There was an additional $5 million in the original work program that has been pulled and put into FY 2022 for continued contractual services in the PUA program. The $7.6 million supports $2.7 million in salaries and approximately $5 million in contractual services for the PUA program.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN MONROE-MONROE:
I want to confirm that this work program was revised from its original submission to reduce the PUA revenue by $5 million. Is that correct?

MS. PARVEN:
Yes, that is correct.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN MONROE-MORENO MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-94 AS REVISED.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED. (Assemblywoman Peters was excused for the vote.)

95. Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation - Unemployment Insurance - FY 2021
Addition of $2,272,683 in federal Unemployment Insurance above base funding to support the Unemployment Insurance system updates. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Transfer to IDP - BA 3274 category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEM C.98**. **Work Program #C54213**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

96. Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation - Unemployment Insurance - FY 2021
Addition of $100,000 in federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation funds, $250,000 in Pandemic Unemployment Assistance funds, $150,000 in Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation funds, and $150,000 in Mixed Earners Unemployment Compensation funds to continue providing administrative support to the Nevada Unemployment Insurance program. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Personnel Services category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53972**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

97. Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation - Unemployment Insurance - FY 2021
Addition of $3,914,898 in federal Unemployment Insurance above base funding to continue unemployment insurance administrative costs. Requires Interim Finance

approval since the amount added to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEMS C.78 and C.81. Work Program #C53979**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

98. Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation - Administrative Services - Information Development and Processing - FY 2021
Addition of $2,272,683 in federal Unemployment Insurance above base funding transferred from the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation, Unemployment Insurance Division to support the Unemployment Insurance system updates. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the UI Automation Project category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEM C.95**. **Work Program #C54080**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

99. Department of Corrections - Director's Office - FY 2021
Deletion of $375,000 in Budgetary Transfers to partially fund a projected shortfall within the High Desert State Prison budget. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount deducted from the Personnel Services category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEMS C.100 and C.101**. **Work Program #C54053**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

100. Department of Corrections - Correctional Programs - FY 2021
Deletion of $625,000 in Budgetary Transfers to partially fund a projected shortfall within the High Desert State Prison budget. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount deleted from the Personnel Services category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEMS C.99 and C.101**. **Work Program #C53621**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

101. Department of Corrections - High Desert State Prison - FY 2021
Addition of $1,000,000 in Budgetary Transfers to fund a projected shortfall within the Inmate Drivens expenditure category for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Inmate Drivens category exceeds $75,000. **RELATES TO ITEMS C.99 and C.100. Work Program #C54059.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

102. Department of Corrections - Northern Nevada Correctional Center - FY 2021
Transfer of $400,000 from the Personnel Services category to the Inmate Drivens category, transfer of $86,080 from the Utilities category to the Inmate Drivens category, and transfer of $48,812 from the Utilities category to the Operating category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Inmate Drivens category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C50679**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

103. Department of Corrections - Warm Springs Correctional Center - FY 2021
Transfers of $142,915 from the Personnel Services category to the Inmate Drivens category, $6,899 from the Personnel Services category to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category, and $5,408 from the Personnel Services category to the Operating category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Inmate Drivens category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54051**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

104. Department of Corrections - Northern Nevada Transitional Housing - FY 2021
Transfers of $54,598 from the Operating category and $3,335 from the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category to the Inmate Drivens category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the Inmate Drivens category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54045**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

105. Department of Corrections - Prison Ranch - FY 2021
Transfer of $212,000 from the Retained Earnings category to the Operating category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53981**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

106. Department of Motor Vehicles - Central Services - FY 2021
Transfer of ~~$389,449~~ ***$275,910*** from the Personnel Services category to the Operating category and $84,100 from the Personnel Services category to the Datamailers and Decals category to fund a projected shortfall through the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amounts added to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53971. REVISED 3-8-21.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

107. Department of Motor Vehicles - Field Services - FY 2021
Transfer of $115,325 from the Personnel Services category to the Operating category to fund a projected shortfall through the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53982**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

108. Department of Public Safety - Director's Office - FY 2021
Transfer of $49,100 from the Personnel Services category to the Information Services category to purchase end-of-service-life network switches and related hardware/software components. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount transferred to the Information Services category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54071**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

109. Department of Public Safety - Nevada Highway Patrol Division - FY 2021
Addition of $39,905 in federal Highway Safety Act grant funds transferred from the Nevada Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to fund forensic investigation equipment and training. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the OTS Training Grant category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53792**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

110. Department of Public Safety - Division of Parole and Probation - FY 2021
Addition of $38,362 in Federal Bureau of Investigation grant funding to fund overtime expenses related to activities associated with the FBI Safe Streets Task Force. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the FBI Reimbursement category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53970**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

111. Department of Public Safety - Investigation Division - FY 2021
Addition of $74,908 in federal Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) grant funds to support agency activities associated with the Marijuana Eradication program. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the DEA Marijuana Grant category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53711**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

112. Department of Public Safety - Investigation Division - FY 2021
Addition of $275,979 in federal Safe Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant funds transferred from the Division of Emergency Management (DEM) to support

ongoing activities of the state Fusion Center. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the DEM 2010 SHSP Grant category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53778**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

113. Department of Public Safety - Investigation Division - FY 2021
Addition $56,850 in federal Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds transferred from the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance to support ongoing activities of the Major Crimes and Investigations and Narcotic Enforcement Unit. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the JAG overtime/travel category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54111**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

114. Department of Public Safety - Records, Communications and Compliance - Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History - FY 2021
Transfer of $110,000 from the Modernization Project category to the Information Services category, $203,000 from the Reserve category to the Operating category and $214,763 from the Reserve category to the Information Services category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Information Services category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54104**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

115. Department of Public Safety - Traffic Safety - Highway Safety Plan and Administration - FY 2021
Transfer of $94,504 from the Personnel category to the Operating category and $3,938 from the Personnel Services category to the Fatality Analysis File category to fund a shortfall due to greater than projected contracted services costs. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53897**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

116. Department of Public Safety - Criminal Justice Assistance - Justice Assistance Act - FY 2021
Addition of $264,698 in federal Forensic Science Improvement grant funds to align state and federal budget authority and continue pass-through funding to subrecipients for new and ongoing federal projects. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Forensic Science Improvement category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53807**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

117. Department of Public Safety - Criminal Justice Assistance - Justice Assistance Act - FY 2021

Addition of $836,700 in federal National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) grant funds to align state and federal budget authority and continue pass-through funding to subrecipients for new and ongoing projects. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the NCHIP Grant category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53816**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

118. Department of Public Safety - Criminal Justice Assistance - Justice Assistance Act - FY 2021

Addition of $58,448 in federal Project Safe Neighborhoods grant authority to continue supporting state and local government agencies' various law enforcement activities and technology improvements. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Project Safe Neighborhoods category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53817**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

119. Department of Public Safety - Criminal Justice Assistance - Justice Assistance Act - FY 2021

Addition of $720,508 in federal National Incident Crime Statistics - Record Improvement Program grant authority to align state and federal budget authority and continue supporting state and local government agencies' law enforcement activities and related technology improvement projects. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Instant Background Check category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53800**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

120. Department of Public Safety - Criminal Justice Assistance - Justice Assistance Act - FY 2021

Addition of $339,089 in federal Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) grant funds to align state and federal budget authority and continue pass-through funding to subrecipients for new and ongoing projects. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the RSAT Aftercare - Fed Portion category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54125**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

121. Colorado River Commission - FY 2021

Transfer of $35,210 from the Reserve category to the Equipment category to purchase one replacement vehicle. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Equipment category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54147**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

122. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources - Forestry - FY 2021
Addition of $40,441 in Incident Business Unit (IBU) funds transferred from the Fire Suppression account to fund the fire billing system. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the IBU Expenditures category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54157**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

123. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources - Forestry -FY 2021
Transfer of $28,198 from the Communications category to the Operating category, $20,197 from the Interagency Wildland Fire Dispatch category to the Operating category, $9,221 from the Training category to the Operating category, $2,801 from the Training category to the Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds category and $175 from the Training category to the Police/Fire Physicals category to fund a shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the Training category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C54146**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

124. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources - Forestry - Nurseries - FY 2021
Transfer of $55,695 from the Reserve category to the Nursery Operating category to provide funding for projects within the Washoe Valley and Las Vegas nurseries. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the Nursery Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53886**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

125. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources - Environmental Protection - Administration - FY 2021
Addition of $441,194 in federal Department of Energy grant funds, transfer of $30,452 from the Personnel Services category to the Transfer to State Agencies category and $6,919 from the Indirect Cost Allocation category to the Transfer to State Agencies category to continue the programmatic and regulatory oversight, monitoring and analysis at the Nevada National Security Site. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Transfer to State Agencies category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54040**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

126. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources - Environmental Protection - Materials Management and Corrective Action - FY 2021
Transfer of $33,252 from the Reserve category to the Superfund Carson River Mercury Site category, $48,283 from the Reserve category to the Superfund Preliminary Assessment and Site Inspection category and $97,557 from the Reserve category to the State Response Program category to realign grant authority to fund the Abandoned Mine and Brownfields programs. Requires

Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the State Response Program category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C53145**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

127. Department of Conservation and Natural Resources - Environmental Protection - Safe Drinking Water Program - FY 2021

Addition of $29,504 in federal Department of Energy grant funds transferred from the Environmental Protection Administration account to provide support for the Laboratory Certification program. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount added to the Information Services category exceeds 10% of the legislatively approved amount for that category. **Work Program #C53104**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

128. Department of Wildlife - Director's Office - FY 2021

Addition of $102,675 in Utilities Cost Allocation funds to meet utility commitments through the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Utilities category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54060**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

129. Department of Wildlife - Game Management - FY 2021

Addition of $188,168 in Sportsmen Revenue transferred from the Wildlife Fund account to meet indirect costs and utility commitments through the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Cost Allocations category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54084**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

130. Department of Wildlife - Fisheries Management - FY 2021

Addition of $185,317 in Sportsmen Revenue transferred from the Wildlife Fund account to meet indirect costs and utility commitments through the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Cost Allocations category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54089**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

131. Department of Wildlife - Diversity Division - FY 2021

Addition of $143,226 in Sportsmen Revenue transferred from the Wildlife Fund account to meet indirect costs and utility commitments through the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Cost Allocations category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54090**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

132. Department of Wildlife - Habitat - FY 2021

Addition of $268,181 in Sportsmen Revenue transferred from the Wildlife Fund account to meet indirect costs and utility commitments through the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Cost Allocations category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54075**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

133. Department of Veterans Services - Southern Nevada Veterans Home Account - FY 2021

Addition of $895,485 in Veterans Administration Per Diem Reimbursement funds, $10,315 in Hospice Reimbursement funds, $300,431 in Medicaid Charges, transfer of $206,516 from the Reserve category to the Operating category and $50,475 from the Reserve category to the Information Services category to align projected revenue and fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Operating category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54137**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

134. Silver State Health Insurance Exchange - Silver State Health Insurance Exchange Administration - FY 2021

Transfer of $102,425 from the Operating category to the Exchange Platform category to fund a projected shortfall for the remainder of the fiscal year. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Exchange Platform category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54129**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

135. Public Employees' Benefit Program - FY 2021

Transfer of ~~$6,779,310~~ ***$4,118,717*** from the State Employee Insurance Cost category to the State Retiree Insurance Cost category ~~and a~~**,** transfer of ~~$132,070~~ ***$262,957*** from the State Employee Insurance Cost category to the Operating category ***and a transfer of $848 from the State Employee Insurance Cost category to the Non-State Employee Insurance Cost category*** to fund a projected shortfall to the end of the fiscal year and to support an increase to the contract for actuarial services. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the State Retiree Insurance Cost category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54029. REVISED 3-4-21.**

LAURA RICH (Executive Officer, Public Employees' Benefits Program):
For Agenda Item C-135, the Public Employees' Benefits Program (PEBP) is requesting a transfer of approximately $4.1 million from the State Employee Insurance Cost category to the Retiree Insurance Cost category. This is something the Committee has seen before and will continue to see in future meetings. It is a result of the way the categories are broken up budgetarily, as opposed to how they are rated and priced in the same risk pool. The retiree group is always more costly than the active group, but they are budgeted equally. This results in the need to

transfer between the two categories. Additionally, there is a predicted shortfall of $848 in the Non-State Employee Insurance Cost category. There are only eight nonstate actives on the plan in PEBP so any fluctuation in claims is noticeable and quickly affect projections. Finally, in category 4, PEBP is requesting a transfer of approximately $263,000 to account for the increases in actuarial services that have been required by PEBP and Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) fees. Those were projected to expire but were extended by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recently.

ASSEMBLYMAN ROBERTS:
Nevada was 10% off for state employees, in the Nevada's favor, but under for retirees. Is that going to be a continuing trend? In PEBP's budget request for next cycle, there are some adjustments to the retiree contributions. I am curious if that was figured out going forward as well.

MS. RICH:
The risk pool is priced in one single unit. The retiree price is higher than the employee price, but it is budgeted separately in equal portions. There will always be a need to transfer back and forth. There is a difference between the way the risk pools work and how the state accounting budget process works.

ASSEMBLYMAN ROBERTS MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEM C-135.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
(Assemblywoman Peters was not present for the vote).

136. Department of Education - Career and Technical Education - FY 2021
Transfer of $303,634 from the Career and Technical Education Basic Aid to Schools category to the Federal Leadership Funds category to continue providing leadership and professional development services for career and technical education. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Federal Leadership Funds category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54224. RECEIVED AFTER SUBMITTAL DEADLINE, 3-9-21.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

137. Department of Health and Human Services - Welfare and Supportive Services - Welfare Field Services - FY 2021

Addition of $3,822,000 in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) transferred from the CARES Act 2020 account to reimburse payroll overtime expenditures eligible under the CRF. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the Reserve for Federal Funds category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #21CA3233. RECEIVED AFTER SUBMITTAL DEADLINE, 3-9-21.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

138. Department of Taxation - FY 2021

Transfer of $70,008 from the In-State Travel category to the Compliance Audit Investigation category to fund the required destruction of seized contraband tobacco vapor products. Requires Interim Finance approval since the cumulative amount transferred to the Compliance Audit Investigation category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54257. RECEIVED AFTER SUBMITTAL DEADLINE, 3-11-21.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

139. Governor's Office of Economic Development - FY 2021

Transfer of $1,167,439 from the Commercial Rental Assistance category to the Emergency Small Business Recovery Grants category to support demand for the Pandemic Emergency Technical Support program to assist small businesses financially affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount transferred to the Emergency Small Business Recovery Grants category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54136. RECEIVED AFTER SUBMITTAL DEADLINE, 3-16-21.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

140. Department of Veterans Services - Southern Nevada Veterans Home Account - FY 2021

Addition of $1,908,500 in federal Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) grant funds transferred from the Division of Public and Behavioral Health to support COVID-19 testing expenses for residents and staff. Requires Interim Finance approval since the amount added to the ELC COVID Funds category exceeds $75,000. **Work Program #C54291. RECEIVED AFTER SUBMITTAL DEADLINE, 3-16-21.**

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

RECLASSIFICATIONS

Agency	Agency/ Account Number	Position Number	Present Class, Code, Grade and Salary	Proposed Class, Code, Grade and Salary
Attorney General, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit	090/1037	0323	AG Criminal Investigator Supervisor Code: 13.247 Grade: 40/01 Employee/Employer Paid Retirement $63,746.64	Compliance/Audit Investigator 2 Code: 11.365 Grade: 33/01 Employee/Employer Paid Retirement $47,188.80
Department of Administration, Director's Office	087/1337	0002	Management Analyst 2 Code: 7.625 Grade: 35/01 Employee/Employer Paid Retirement $51,281.28	Administrative Assistant 3 Code: 2.211 Grade: 27/01 Employee/Employer Paid Retirement $36,790.56

Office of the Attorney General, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit, Position Number 0323

Refer to motion for approval under Agenda Item C.

Department of Administration, Director's Office, Position Number 0002

LAURA FREED (Director, Department of Administration):
This action item is a reclassification of a Management Analyst 2 position to an Administrative Assistant 3 position that is consummate with the Governor's recommended budget. As discussed in the Department of Administration Director's Office budget hearing, the reclassification of this position was recommended by the Governor for FY 2022 and FY 2023. Doing the reclassification now allows the Commission for Women to have administrative support immediately. The position has been vacant for a couple of months, and Director's Office staff has provided support to the commission instead of the commission members having their own staffer. The reclassification saves $17,276 in the General Fund in this fiscal year. Also, reclassifying the position now gives any incumbent stability. If the Director's Office opened a recruitment for a Management Analyst 2 right now and the Legislature were to approve the decision units in the Governor's recommended budget, the person in that position would have to be downgraded. The Director's Office has tried to recruit a temporary employee, but the office was not pleased with the quality of candidates. Opening the administrative assistant recruitment through the state would yield a better candidate pool. I would note that, as I testified during the budget hearing, the Commission for Women supports this reclassification, and is eager to have its own assistant sooner rather than later.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
The Director's Office wants to fill the position now at this level so that if the Legislature approves the position in the future, it will be level between fiscal years and would not require changes in the future, correct?

MS. FREED:
That is correct.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
This decision is only for this fiscal year. The Legislature will decide on the rest of it as budgets are closed.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, DIRECTOR'S OFFICE RECLASSIFICATION OF POSITION NUMBER 0002 FROM A MANAGEMENT ANALYST 2 TO AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT 3.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. STATEMENT OF CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT BALANCE.

WAYNE THORLEY (Senate Fiscal Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, LCB):
The statement of Contingency Account balance can be found on page 233 of Volume IV of the meeting packet (Exhibit D). There are no requests on the agenda for allocations from the Contingency Account so the current balance will remain after this meeting. In the unrestricted General Fund portion of the Contingency Account, the balance is $6,332,695.40. The balance of the unrestricted Highway Fund portion of the Contingency Account is $1,638,068.35. The balance of the restricted portion of the Contingency account is $13,888,590.

E. REQUEST FOR ALLOCATION FROM THE IFC CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT (GENERAL FUND) PURSUANT TO SENATE BILL 501, SECTION 1 (2019 Legislature) (Note: IFC may approve a different amount for an allocation than the amount requested). Nevada Test Site Historical Foundation

Request for an allocation of $40,000 for relocation planning and site selection expenses for the Nevada Atomic Testing Museum in Las Vegas, Nevada. **WITHDRAWN 3-8-21.**

F. REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL TO ACCEPT GIFTS AND GRANTS PURSUANT TO NRS 353.335.

1. STATE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES - Division of State Parks
   a) Request for approval to accept grant funds from the United States National Park Service Land and Water Conservation Fund in the amount of $6,751,950 to fund the creation and maintenance of recreational trails and supporting amenities throughout Nevada.

      Agenda Items F-1a and F-1b were discussed jointly. Refer to testimony and motion for approval under Agenda Item F-1b.

   b) Request for approval to accept grant funds from the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration for the

Recreational Trails program in the amount of $1,249,313 to fund the creation and maintenance of recreational trails and supporting amenities throughout Nevada.

Agenda Items F-1a and F-1b were discussed jointly.

JANICE KEILLOR (Deputy Administrator, Planning, Development, and Grants, Division of State Parks, DCNR):
The Division of State Parks manages these two grant programs on behalf of the State of Nevada. These are the division's annual allocations that are automatically received from the National Park Service and the Federal Highway Administration.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS F-1A AND F-1B.

SENATOR DENIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE
   a) Request for approval to accept a donation of $30,000 from Pew Charitable Trusts to support the Nevada Connectivity Plan Development and Production to identify and conserve migratory corridors of wild ungulates and other key species.

   Agenda Items F-2a, F-2b, F-2c, and F-2d were discussed jointly. Refer to testimony and motion for approval under Agenda Item F-2d.

   b) Request for approval to accept a donation of $43,587.97 from KG Mining Bald Mountain Inc. to fund the cost of materials for guzzlers to support wildlife populations.

   Agenda Items F-2a, F-2b, F-2c, and F-2d were discussed jointly. Refer to testimony and motion for approval under Agenda Item F-2d.

   c) Request for approval to accept a donation of $500,000 from Nevada Gold Mines LLC, Cortez District for the completion of the Toiyabe Fingers Mule Deer Habitat Treatment Project.

   Agenda Items F-2a, F-2b, F-2c, and F-2d were discussed jointly. Refer to testimony and motion for approval under Agenda Item F-2d.

   d) Request for approval to accept a donation of $40,000 from the Mule Deer Foundation for the Toano Mountain Restoration project.

   Agenda Items F-2a, F-2b, F-2c, and F-2d were discussed jointly.

TONY WASLEY (Director, Department of Wildlife):
Agenda Items F-2a, F-2b, F-2c, and F-2d represent four requests to the Committee for acceptance of donated funds.

CHAIR BROOKS:
Are these moneys part of settlements or just charitable donations made to the state?

MR. WASLEY:
These are charitable donations. The funding from the Pew Charitable Trust is related to Secretarial Order 3362 on migration corridors and movement patterns of three ungulate species in seven western states. They are contributing to the agencies understanding. Each of these donations, as is required for acceptance, are accompanied by a letter that specifies the acceptable and intended use of the funding. In certain instances, some of the department's partners—for example some of the mining companies—have requirements associated with the National Environmental Policy Act. They need to provide data relative to potential impact. They often believe the department is better suited to collect and analyze that data. Also, in some instances with industry partners, they may make agreements to try to offset their impact—this is not a requirement, but a voluntary partnership where they are trying to be good community members and offset the impact of some of their activities. None of these requests constitute required legally binding compensation to the department. The agency will provide reports to the Board of Wildlife Commissioner twice a year.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
What are ungulates?

MR. WASLEY:
Deer, elk, and antelope were the three target species in the secretarial order. The department will take advantage of this partnership with Pew Charitable Trust to put some collars on mule deer and pronghorn antelope to better understand their movement corridors.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:
Is the department going to track moose as well?

MR. WASLEY:
The department is already tracking moose. Multiple collars have been placed on moose.

SENATOR GOICOECHEA MOVED TO APPROVE AGENDA ITEMS F-2A, F-2B, F-2C, AND F-2D.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

G. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - Governor's Office of Finance - Office of Project Management - Silver State Modernization Approach for Resources and Technology in the 21st Century (SMART 21) - Semiannual report on the efforts to replace the state's existing financial and human resource information systems for the period July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).

   There was no discussion on this item.

2. SECRETARY OF STATE - Progress report on implementation of the Automatic Voter Registration initiative petition approved by the voters during the November 2018 General Election for the period December 1, 2020, through January 31, 2021 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).

   There was no discussion on this item.

3. DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION - State Public Works Division
   a) Quarterly report on the division's process on construction cost containment efforts, the tracking of budgeted inflationary costs compared to actual inflationary costs, and the tracking of other construction cost escalations compared to budgeted costs that are impacting legislatively approved Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects for the period October 1, 2020, to December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).
   b) Semiannual report regarding the status of action taken by the division to ensure the Marlette Lake Water System is able to continue operations as a self-sustaining system, and to report on actual raw water sales revenue received by the division for the period July 1, 2020, to December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).
   c) Information regarding the Project Status Exception Report pursuant to NRS 341.100(8)(g).

   There was no discussion on these items.

4. NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION
   a) Semiannual report demonstrating how the capacity funding is being expended by each of the institutions in each of the program areas supported, for the period July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).
   b) Biannual report on any additional fees and any additional non-resident tuition fees received by each institution beyond the authorized amounts for the period ending December 31, 2020, pursuant to Senate Bill 553, Section 11(2) (2019 Legislature).

   There was no discussion on these items.

5. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - Quarterly report on travel and training expenses for the period ending December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).

There was no discussion on this item.

6. DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS - Division of Museums and History - Museum Dedicated Trust Funds - Semiannual report regarding the investment and expenditure of private funds for the period ending December 31, 2020, pursuant to NRS 381.0033(1)(b).

There was no discussion on this item.

7. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
   a) Aging and Disability Services Division
      1. Annual report on the Independent Living grants for FY 2020, pursuant to NRS 439.630(3)(f).
      2. Quarterly report for the Senior Rx and Disability Rx Prescription program for the period ending December 31, 2020, pursuant to NRS 439.630(1)(c).
   b) Division of Public and Behavioral Health
      1. Semiannual report status of the cancer registry's business practices for the period July 1, 2020, through December 15, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).
      2. Report on new positions approved for behavioral health budgets for Northern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services and Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health Services for the period ending December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).
   c) Division of Welfare and Supportive Services
      1. Semiannual report on the progress in meeting the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Work Participation Rate, for the period July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).
      2. Annual report concerning the allocation of funds in the Fund for Energy Assistance and Conservation for the period ending December 31, 2020, pursuant to NRS 702.275.

There was no discussion on these items.

8. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
   a) Director's Office - Quarterly report on the department's retention and recruitment efforts for correctional officers at each of its institutions statewide and inmate population and capacity levels for the period ending December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).
   b) Semiannual report on the challenges and obstacles faced by the department in ensuring inmates with behavioral health issues are provided with adequate treatment and services for the period July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).

There was no discussion on these items.

9. DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES - System Technology Application Redesign (STAR) - Semiannual report on the status of the STAR project for the period July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).

There was no discussion on this item.

10. DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES - Division of State Lands - Semiannual report on the status of the state's Environmental Improvement Program Fund to Protect the Lake Tahoe Basin for the period ending December 31, 2020, pursuant to Chapter 514, *Statutes of Nevada 1999*.

There was no discussion on this item.

11. DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE - Annual report from the Community Foundation of Western Nevada concerning the Dream Tag program for the period ending December 31, 2020, pursuant to NRS 502.219.

There was no discussion on this item.

12. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - Annual report on the plan for measuring performance of the Department of Transportation for the period ending December 31, 2020, pursuant to NRS 408.133 Section 2(b)(2) and, as required by NRS 244A.638, Section 2(b), an annual report on all projects undertaken with the money deposited in the State Highway Fund pursuant to NRS 244A.637.

There was no discussion on this item.

13. SILVER STATE HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE - Semiannual report regarding the transition to a state-based exchange operating model for the period July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature).

There was no discussion on this item.

14. CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT - Semiannual progress report, which describes each expenditure incurred for a human resource management information system for the six-month period ending December 31, 2020, pursuant to Senate Bill 550, Section 2, subsection 2(a) (2017 Legislature).

There was no discussion on this item.

15. Reports on the use of consultants for the July 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020, reporting period:
    a) Reports from school districts pursuant to NRS 391.155.
    b) Reports from boards and commissions pursuant to NRS 333.705(7).
    c) Reports from the Nevada System of Higher Education, pursuant to NRS 333.705(7).

    There was no discussion on these items.

16. Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Health Care Financing and Policy - Annual report concerning Health Information Technology (HIT) activities for the period July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020 (letter of intent, 2019 Legislature). **RECEIVED AFTER SUBMITTAL DEADLINE, 3-10-21.**

    There was no discussion on this item.

H. PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to NRS 218A.820, there was no physical location for this meeting. The meeting was broadcast on the Nevada Legislative website at www.leg.state.nv.us. Public comment was accepted live via telephone. Written comments were also accepted by email, facsimile, and mail before, during, and after the meeting.

IAN BIGLEY (Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada):
Regarding Item F: The Department of Wildlife relies on corporate charity to fund certain conservation efforts, and this is not sustainable as eventually the mines will leave. The Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada (PLAN) recognizes the importance of these donations in this moment, yet Nevada must put in place reliable long-term funding mechanisms in addition to these donations before it is too late. PLAN supports the acceptance of these donations as part of the mining industry's responsibility to address the externalized cost associated with their profits since the State of Nevada is not collecting adequate extractive taxes to compensate for losses. For example, according to the 2019-2020 Net Proceeds of Minerals Bulletin, Bald Mountain grossed nearly $250 million in 2019 and paid zero extractive taxes under the Net Proceeds of Minerals Tax due to the enormous deductions allowed for the mining industry—and no other industry. However, PLAN notes that reliance on corporate charity is not a predictable long-term funding strategy for conservation. For these reasons, PLAN urges legislators serving on this Committee to recognize the importance of the three mine tax proposals to be heard during the 2021 Legislative Session—with specific attention to Assembly Joint Resolution 1, which would remove the deductions that allowed 43% of gold and silver mines in Nevada to pay zero extractive taxes in 2019—to compensate for the finite resources that they remove, and the associated inherent destruction. PLAN understands that none of these proposals provide revenue specifically for conservation, but through better funding the state via taxes, which are much more predictable than occasional charity, Nevada is able to better manage its financial resources to put in place long-term conservation funding plans, which are determined by Nevadans, not on the whim of corporate leaders outside of the state.

I. ADJOURNMENT.

Chair Brooks adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

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Senator Chris Brooks, Chair
Interim Finance Committee

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Brenda Erdoes, Director, Legislative Counsel Bureau,
and Secretary, Interim Finance Committee