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Jhone Ebert
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Dear Superintendent Ebert:

The Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education (COE) spent a significant amount of time during the 2021–2022 Interim considering recommendations made by a variety of stakeholders to positively impact education in Nevada. During the COE's work session on August 30, 2022, the members identified multiple areas that they agreed should be priority items for consideration by the superintendent of public instruction at Nevada's Department of Education (NDE). Specifically, the COE endorsed the following recommendations:

- Encourage NDE and school district superintendents to continue to build capacity for change in its work in schools, empower student learning by ensuring that each learner has the supports and opportunities they need to succeed, cultivate systems change through financial and school improvement structures, and ensure quality in its implementation of these practices. This item also reflects the COE's support for competency-based education work in Nevada; and
- Urge NDE to develop an instructional framework to help teachers understand how to teach English while also teaching their content area for English language learner (ELL) pupils. For example, the framework could assist teachers in designing and delivering instruction on the assigned content area while building English language skills.

Jhone Ebert, Superintendent of Public Instruction

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Thank you for considering the COE's recommendations and for your continued passion and work in furthering our education system. Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact the Committee's policy analysts, Jen Sturm, Jennifer Ruedy, or Alex Drozdoff at (775) 684-6825 or by email (jen.sturm@lcb.state.nv.us; JRuedy@lcb.state.nv.us; or Alex.Drozdoff@lcb.state.nv.us).

Sincerely,

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