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The Honorable Steve Sisolak Nevada Governor State Capitol Building 101 North Carson Street, Suite 1 Carson City, Nevada 89701-4786

Incoming Chair Senate Committee on Finance

Incoming Chair
Assembly Committee on Ways and Means

Dear Governor Sisolak and the Incoming Chairs of the Senate Committee on Finance and the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means:

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 final meeting on October 6, 2022, the members heard a presentation concerning <u>Assembly Bill 231</u> of the 2021 Legislative Session, which revises provisions governing education on the Holocaust and other genocides. From this presentation, the COE voted on measures that they unanimously agreed should be priority items for budget consideration. Specifically, they endorsed the following recommendations for consideration:

- Funding for a professional position for the Holocaust and other genocides at Nevada's Department of Education (NDE);
- Funding to NDE to develop professional learning and curate resources for educators in Nevada on the Holocaust and other genocides; and
- Funding for school districts and charter schools to support substitute teacher coverage for teachers and administrators to participate in professional development during contract hours.

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Thank you for considering the COE's additional recommendations. 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). Additionally, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) staff will forward this letter to the incoming Senate Finance and Assembly Ways and Means chairs, once named.

Sincerely,

Senator Moises (Mo) Denis, Chair Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education

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