

NORTHERN NEVADA
LEGISLATIVE BUILDING
401 S. Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701
(775) 684-6800



SOUTHERN NEVADA
LEGISLATIVE OFFICES
7120 Amigo Street
Las Vegas, NV 89119
(702) 486-2800

THE STATE OF NEVADA LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Name of Organization: Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education
([Nevada Revised Statutes \[NRS\] 218E.320](#))

Date and Time of Meeting: Tuesday, February 17, 2026
9 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Northern Nevada Legislative Building, Room 2134
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Note: Some members of the Committee may attend the meeting in person, and some may attend remotely. Other persons may observe the meeting and provide testimony remotely, telephonically, or in person at the location above or at the following location:

Legislative Hearing Rooms, Room 1
7120 Amigo Street
Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

If you cannot attend the meeting, you can listen or view it live over the Internet. The address for the Nevada Legislature website is <http://www.leg.state.nv.us>. Click on the link "[Scheduled Events](#)."

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS AND LANGUAGE ACCESS SERVICES

The Legislature is pleased to make reasonable accommodations and provide language access services to ensure that all people, regardless of ability or native language, have access to the legislative process. To make a request, please email accessibility@lcb.state.nv.us or call (775) 684-6903 as early as possible before the meeting.

Supporting materials for this meeting can be found on the Committee's meeting page located at: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/InterimCommittee/REL/Interim2025/Meeting/34869>.

Materials will be uploaded as soon as feasibly possible after receipt. Copies of materials may be requested from Crystal Rowe, Assistant Manager of Research Policy Assistants, Research Division, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701, at (775) 684-6825 or by email at EDInterim@lcb.state.nv.us. If you wish to have written testimony or visual presentations included as an exhibit in the minutes of the meeting, you may email electronic copies to EDInterim@lcb.state.nv.us or mail written copies to the Research Division, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701, attention: Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education.

AGENDA

NOTE: Items on this agenda may be taken in a different order than listed. Two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration. An item may be removed from this agenda or discussion relating to an item on this agenda may be delayed at any time.

- I. Opening Remarks
Senator Angela D. Taylor, Chair

- II. Public Comment
Public testimony under this item may be presented in person or by phone or written comment.
Because of time considerations, each person offering testimony during this period for public comment will be limited to not more than 2 minutes.
A person may also have comments added to the minutes of the meeting by submitting them in writing either in addition to testifying or in lieu of testifying. Written comments may be submitted by email to EDInterim@lcb.state.nv.us or mail to the Research Division, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701, before, during, or after the meeting.
To provide telephonic testimony during this period of public comment, any time after 8:30 a.m. on February 17, 2026:
Dial (888) 475-4499.
When prompted to provide the Meeting ID, please enter 816 9375 7183 then press #. When prompted for a Participant ID, please press #.
To resolve any issues related to dialing in to provide public comment for this meeting, please call (775) 684-6990.

- For Possible Action*** III. Review of the Committee's Duties and Responsibilities
Alberto Quintero, Senior Policy Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB)
Angelina Garcia, Senior Policy Analyst, Research Division, LCB
Jen Sturm-Gahner, Deputy Research Director, Research Division, LCB

- For Possible Action*** IV. Overview of National Trends in Education Legislation and Policy
Isaiah Torres, State Relations Strategist, Education Commission of the States (ECS)
Adrienne Fischer, Principal, ECS

- For Possible Action*** V. Presentation on the State of Public Education in Nevada ([Nevada Revised Statutes 385.230](#)), Including an Update on Guidance to School Districts Concerning [Assembly Bill 4](#) and [Assembly Bill 6](#) of the 36th Special Session, and the Review of Cost Adjustment Factors for School Districts ([Nevada Revised Statutes 387.1215](#)) and the Method for Calculating the Attendance Area Adjustment ([Nevada Revised Statutes 387.1218](#)) for Consideration by the Committee
Victor Wakefield, Ed.D., Superintendent of Public Instruction, Nevada's Department of Education

- For Possible Action**
- VI. Presentation on the State of Nevada’s School Districts, and Updates on the Adoption of Electronic Communication Device Use Policies by School Districts ([Senate Bill 444](#) [2025])
Tate Else, President, Nevada Association of School Superintendents
Clayton Anderson, Superintendent, Elko County School District
Frankie Alvarado, Superintendent, Douglas County School District
Jhone Ebert, Superintendent, Clark County School District
Joseph M. Ernst, M.Ed., Superintendent, Washoe County School District
- For Possible Action**
- VII. Presentation on the State of Higher Education in Nevada
Matt McNair, J.D., Chancellor, Nevada System of Higher Education
- For Possible Action**
- VIII. Overview of the State of Nevada’s Charter Schools, the Charter School System Governance Structure, and Recommendations That Would Assist Charter Schools in Achieving Academic, Fiscal, and Organizational Goals ([Nevada Revised Statutes 388A.171](#))
Melissa Mackedon, Executive Director, State Public Charter School Authority
- For Possible Action**
- IX. Overview of the Role and Activities of the Nevada Association of School Boards, Including Training and Professional Development for Members
Irene Bustamante Adams, President, Nevada Association of School Boards (NASB)
Diane Nicolet, Ph.D., President Elect, NASB
Rick Harris, Executive Director, NASB
Tom Clark, Government Affairs, NASB
- X. Public Comment
- Public testimony under this item may be presented in person or by phone or written comment.
- Because of time considerations, each person offering testimony during this period for public comment will be limited to not more than 2 minutes.
- A person may also have comments added to the minutes of the meeting by submitting them in writing either in addition to testifying or in lieu of testifying. Written comments may be submitted by email to EDInterim@lcb.state.nv.us or mail to the Research Division, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701, before, during, or after the meeting.
- To provide telephonic testimony during this period of public comment, *any time after the Chair announces the second period of public comment* on February 17, 2026:
Dial (888) 475-4499.
- When prompted to provide the Meeting ID, please enter 816 9375 7183 then press #. When prompted for a Participant ID, please press #.
- To resolve any issues related to dialing in to provide public comment for this meeting, please call (775) 684-6990.

XI. Adjournment

Notice of this meeting was posted at the Northern Nevada Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701; the Southern Nevada Legislative Offices, 7120 Amigo Street, Las Vegas, NV 89119; and on the Internet through the Nevada Legislature's website at www.leg.state.nv.us.

REASONABLE ACCOMMODATIONS AND LANGUAGE ACCESS SERVICES

The Legislature is pleased to make reasonable accommodations and provide language access services to ensure that all people, regardless of ability or native language, have access to the legislative process. To make a request, please email accessibility@lcb.state.nv.us or call (775) 684-6903 as early as possible before the meeting.

Supporting materials for this meeting can be found on the Committee's meeting page located at: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/InterimCommittee/REL/Interim2025/Meeting/34869>.

Materials will be uploaded as soon as feasibly possible after receipt. Copies of materials may be requested from Crystal Rowe, Assistant Manager of Research Policy Assistants, Research Division, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701, at (775) 684-6825 or by email at EDInterim@lcb.state.nv.us. If you wish to have written testimony or visual presentations included as an exhibit in the minutes of the meeting, you may email electronic copies to EDInterim@lcb.state.nv.us or mail written copies to the Research Division, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701, attention: Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education.