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AN ACT making an appropriation to the Department of Education for allocation to school districts to carry out a program of peer assistance and review of teachers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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

Section 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Department of Education the following sums:

For the Fiscal Year 2017-2018..... \$1,200,000
For the Fiscal Year 2018-2019..... \$1,300,000

2. From the money appropriated by subsection 1, the Department of Education shall transfer to the school districts specified in this subsection for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and Fiscal Year 2018-2019 the following sums:

| School District | 2017-2018 | 2018-2019 |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Clark County School District | \$1,000,000 | \$1,000,000 |
| Washoe County School District | \$200,000 | \$200,000 |
| TOTAL: | \$1,200,000 | \$1,200,000 |

3. From the money appropriated by subsection 1, the Department of Education shall allocate, for Fiscal Year 2018-2019, \$100,000 among the school districts other than Clark and Washoe County School Districts upon application of such a school district for a grant of money for the purposes set forth in subsection 4.

4. A school district that receives an allocation pursuant to subsection 2 or 3 shall use the allocation to provide assistance to teachers in meeting the standards for effective teaching, including, without limitation, by:

- (a) Conducting observations and peer assistance and review; and
- (b) Providing information and resources to teachers about strategies for effective teaching.

5. The sums allocated by subsections 2 and 3:

(a) Must be accounted for separately from any other money received by the school district and used only for the purposes specified in this section.

(b) May be used for expenses relating to conducting a program of peer assistance and review of teachers, which may include, without limitation, salaries and benefits of teachers and supervisors who provide consulting services, salaries and benefits of necessary



substitute teachers, supplies, travel expenses and expenses relating to professional development.

(c) May not be used to settle or arbitrate disputes between a recognized organization representing employees of the school district and the school district, or to settle any negotiations.

(d) May not be used to adjust the district-wide schedules of salaries and benefits of the employees of the school district.

Sec. 2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by section 1 of this act remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal years by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 21, 2018, and September 20, 2019, respectively, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 21, 2018, and September 20, 2019, respectively.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

