

THE FIFTY-SEVENTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Monday), April 3, 2023

Senate called to order at 11:17 a.m.

President Anthony presiding.

Roll called.

All present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Minister Karin Hockman.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your Name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth, in the State of Nevada, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from all evil.

I pray that the God of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him, having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which He has called you, what are the riches of His glorious inheritance in the saints and what is the immeasurable greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His great might that He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come.

I declare this in Jesus' Name.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

By previous order of the Senate, the reading of the Journal is dispensed with, and the President and Secretary are authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 286, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

FABIAN DONATE, *Chair*

Mr. President:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which were referred Senate Bills Nos. 37, 39, 190, 223, 351, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

MELANIE SCHEIBLE, *Chair*

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, Carson City, March 30, 2023

To the Honorable the Senate:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Assembly on this day passed Assembly Bill No. 136.

CAROL AIELLO-SALA
Assistant Chief Clerk of the Assembly

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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Steve Yeager
 The Honorable Nicole J. Cannizzaro
 Nevada Legislature
 401 South Carson Street
 Carson City, NV 89701

Dear Senator Cannizzaro & Speaker Yeager:

I respectfully request the opportunity to address the distinguished members of the Nevada Legislature on Tuesday, May 2nd, 2022 [*sic*]. I look forward to sharing with you and your colleagues information regarding the important issues the United States Congress will be addressing during the 118th Session and the ways we can work together.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,
 DINA TITUS
 Member of Congress

WAIVERS AND EXEMPTIONS
 WAIVER OF JOINT STANDING RULE(S)

A Waiver requested by Senator Cannizzaro.

For: Senate Bill No. 405.

To Waive:

Subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of final committee of house of origin by 68th day).

Subsection 2 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of house of origin by 79th day).

Subsection 3 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of final committee of 2nd house by 103rd day).

Subsection 4 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of 2nd house by 110th day).

Has been granted effective: Thursday, March 30, 2023.

NICOLE CANNIZZARO
 Senate Majority Leader

STEVE YEAGER
 Speaker of the Assembly

A Waiver requested by Senator Cannizzaro.

For: Senate Bill No. 412.

To Waive:

Subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of final committee of house of origin by 68th day).

Subsection 2 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of house of origin by 79th day).

Subsection 3 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of final committee of 2nd house by 103rd day).

Subsection 4 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of 2nd house by 110th day).

Has been granted effective: Thursday, March 30, 2023.

NICOLE CANNIZZARO
 Senate Majority Leader

STEVE YEAGER
 Speaker of the Assembly

A Waiver requested by Senator Cannizzaro.

For: Senate Bill No. 431.

To Waive:

Subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of final committee of house of origin by 68th day).

Subsection 2 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of house of origin by 79th day).

Subsection 3 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of final committee of 2nd house by 103rd day).

Subsection 4 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 (out of 2nd house by 110th day).

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

April 3, 2023

The Fiscal Analysis Division, pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.6, has determined the eligibility for exemption of: Senate Bills Nos. 72, 431.

WAYNE THORLEY
Fiscal Analysis Division

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the following person be accepted as an accredited press representative and be allowed the use of appropriate media facilities: INSIGHT STUDIO: David Siegel.

Motion carried.

Senator Harris approved the addition of Senator Stone as a sponsor of Senate Bill No. 351.

Senator Pazina approved the addition of Senator Titus as a cosponsor of Senate Bill No. 350.

Senator Titus approved the addition of Senator Pazina as a cosponsor of Senate Bill No. 369.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill No. 445—AN ACT relating to emergency medical services; authorizing the use of certain money to create and maintain an information system containing the records of persons who have completed certain training programs; providing that money collected from certain fees must be accounted for separately and does not revert to the State General Fund at the end of any fiscal year; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Dondero Loop moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill No. 446—AN ACT relating to governmental administration; revising provisions regarding the payment of certain fees for services provided by the Division of Enterprise Information Technology Services of the Department of Administration; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Dondero Loop moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill No. 447—AN ACT relating to public safety; authorizing the use of testing devices to determine the presence of a controlled substance or prohibited substance in the oral fluid of a person in certain circumstances; renaming the Committee on Testing for Intoxication as the Committee on Testing for Intoxication and Drug Impairment; requiring the Committee to certify testing devices used to determine the presence of a controlled substance or prohibited substance in the oral fluid of a person; requiring the Committee to adopt regulations relating to such devices; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Dondero Loop moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Growth and Infrastructure.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill No. 448—AN ACT relating to administrative assessments; revising provisions governing the distribution of the proceeds of certain administrative assessments; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Dondero Loop moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

Assembly Bill No. 136.

Senator Lange moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

SECOND READING AND AMENDMENT

Senate Bill No. 72.

Bill read second time.

The following amendment was proposed by the Committee on Education:

Amendment No. 48.

SUMMARY—Directs the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education to conduct certain studies during the 2023-2024 interim. (BDR S-441)

AN ACT relating to education; directing the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education to conduct certain studies during the 2023-2024 interim and report its findings to the Legislature; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law creates the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education. (NRS 218E.320) Existing law authorizes the Committee to: (1) evaluate, review and comment upon issues related to education in Nevada; (2) conduct investigations and hold hearings; (3) conduct studies as directed by the Legislature or the Legislative Commission; and (4) make certain recommendations to the Legislature. (NRS 218E.330, 218E.615) This bill

directs the Committee to conduct five separate studies during the 2023-2024 interim and report its findings for each study to the Legislature. Specifically, this bill directs the Committee to study: (1) the mental health and wellness of pupils; (2) the workload of teachers, including any relevant statutory and regulatory requirements; (3) requirements governing the licensing of teachers and administrators and the effect of such requirements on the diversity and effectiveness of teachers and administrators and the recruitment of local teachers ~~+~~ and administrators; (4) trends in graduation and achievement of pupils enrolled in high school and any divergence between those trends; and (5) groups of pupils that may require additional resources, and policies and strategies that may address the needs of such groups.

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

Section 1. 1. The Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education shall, during the 2023-2024 interim:

(a) Conduct a study concerning the mental health and wellness of pupils in this State and programs to improve the mental health and wellness of such pupils, including, without limitation, evidence-based mental health therapies and practices.

(b) Conduct a study concerning the workload of teachers in this State, including, without limitation, provisions of law and regulations that affect the workload of teachers in this State, to better understand and evaluate the workload of teachers in this State.

(c) Conduct a study concerning requirements governing the licensing of teachers and administrators in this State, including, without limitation, any requirement that an applicant for a license as a teacher or administrator, as applicable, must pass the “Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators” examination in reading, mathematics and writing, prepared and administered by the Educational Testing Service, to:

(1) Identify whether such requirements are barriers to increasing the diversity of teachers or administrators, as applicable, in this State and increasing the number of pupils in the public schools in this State and students at institutions of higher education in this State who eventually become teachers and administrators in this State; and

(2) Ensure that requirements concerning the competency of applicants for a license as a teacher or administrator, as applicable, are reasonable indicators of the future effectiveness of such an applicant as a teacher ~~+~~ or administrator.

(d) Conduct a study concerning:

(1) Trends in the graduation rates of, and the types of diplomas awarded to, pupils enrolled in high school in this State, based on the information included in the annual report of accountability pursuant to NRS 385A.260;

(2) Trends in achievement of pupils enrolled in high school in this State, including, without limitation, information relating to such trends that is included in the annual report of accountability pursuant to NRS 385A.200;

(3) A comparison of the trends described in subparagraphs (1) and (2); and

(4) Any factors which may be responsible for the trends described in subparagraphs (1) and (2) and any divergence between the trends described in subparagraph (1) and the trends described in subparagraph (2).

(e) Conduct a study concerning:

(1) Groups of pupils who may require additional resources to receive a reasonably equal educational opportunity;

(2) The specific educational needs of such groups of pupils;

(3) Policies and strategies that target such groups of pupils, address specific needs and provide specific interventions, including, without limitation, policies and strategies to increase enrollment in postsecondary education or vocational training; and

(4) Long-term strategies to fund and implement such policies and programs.

2. On or before February 1, 2025, for each study listed in subsection 1, the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education shall submit a report of its findings and any recommendations for legislation to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the 83rd Session of the Legislature.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.

Senator Lange moved the adoption of the amendment.

Remarks by Senator Lange.

Amendment No. 48 to Senate Bill No. 72 adds administrator licensing requirements to the study on teacher licensing requirements.

Amendment adopted.

Senator Lange moved that the bill be taken from the General File and re-referred to the Committee on Finance.

Motion carried.

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the Senate recess until 4:45 p.m.

Motion carried.

Senate in recess at 11:41 a.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 5:04 p.m.

President Anthony presiding.

Quorum present.

The Sergeant at Arms announced that Assemblywoman Torres and Assemblyman McArthur were at the bar of the Senate. Assemblywoman Torres invited the Senate to meet in Joint Session with the Assembly to hear U.S. Senator Jacky Rosen.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 5:05 p.m.

IN JOINT SESSION

At 5:09 p.m.

Speaker Yeager presiding.

The Secretary of the Senate called the Senate roll.

All present.

The Chief Clerk of the Assembly called the Assembly roll.

All present except Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno, who was excused.

Speaker Yeager appointed a Committee on Escort consisting of Senator Nguyen and Assemblywoman Cohen to wait upon the Honorable United States Senator Jacky Rosen and escort her to the Assembly Chamber.

U.S. Senator Rosen delivered her message as follows:

MESSAGE TO THE LEGISLATURE OF NEVADA EIGHTY-SECOND SESSION, 2023

Hello everyone. It is good to be here, see all of you and be home in Nevada with friends, family, neighbors and everyone who cares about our State. I want to start by thanking Majority Leader Cannizzaro and Speaker Yeager for the opportunity to address the Nevada Legislature today.

I would also like to recognize and thank everyone who is in attendance: Governor Lombardo, Lieutenant Governor Anthony, Minority Leaders Seevers Gansert and O'Neill, members of the Legislature, all our constitutional officers, justices of the Nevada Supreme Court. I would be remiss if I did not thank the amazing staff who serve Nevadans day in and day out in this Legislature. Thank you.

For the last six years, it has truly been my honor to represent our great State, and I am grateful to be here in person to tell you about the work that I have been doing in Washington on behalf of all of us who call Nevada home.

Since I last addressed the Nevada Legislature, a lot has changed, starting with the voices in this very room. We have the first female-majority Legislature. We continue to make gains, and I am so proud that we now have the largest majority of women legislators of any state nationwide.

Session after session, our Legislature's membership becomes more and more diverse and representative of our great State. We have incredible leaders, including Assemblywoman Daniele Monroe-Moreno, leading the Black Legislative Caucus; Senator Fabian Doñate, leading the Latino Legislative Caucus; Assemblywoman Erica Mosca, leading the AANHPI Caucus; and Senator Dallas Harris, leading the LGBTQ+ Caucus. All of you are helping lead the way for a more inclusive Nevada. When our State is open and welcoming, we foster an environment where Nevadans are best able to live, work and raise a family and where our economy can grow and thrive.

So tonight I would like to take some time to give you an update on a couple things. First, I want to share with you what we have accomplished in Congress over the past two years, which were some of the most productive ever. So much of our work—my work—was bipartisan, and as a result, we have gotten real, meaningful, historic things done for Nevada.

We took action to jump-start economic growth and prepare our workers for great jobs. I took a leading role in helping write and pass the bipartisan infrastructure law, and as a result, we are now making a once in a generation investment in our country. Thanks to our work, we are bringing millions of dollars to Nevada to rebuild, revamp and expand our airports, roads, bridges and improve broadband access, all while creating good paying jobs.

As we create more jobs, we must make sure our workforce has the training needed to take advantage of these new opportunities. So, I led a bipartisan initiative included in the CHIPS and Science law. This initiative is to support workforce development for advanced manufacturing jobs, to make sure workers have the skills they need as we grow our domestic manufacturing industry. This law will also make historic investments in STEM education in our rural communities. This will make sure that we are training the workforce of the future in every part of our State.

While we are on the subject of historic investments, I am proud to report that we made history by investing record amounts toward renewable energy, thanks to the Inflation Reduction Act. Nevada is home to the most solar jobs per capita in the nation, and we are a national leader in geothermal energy as well. This law is now making critical investments in our State and across the country to support clean energy jobs, lower energy costs and combat climate change. It provides \$4 billion to tackle the extreme drought we are facing here in the West.

We took action to support our men and women in uniform. I had the great honor of helping pass a bipartisan law that will provide benefits and health care access to all veterans who were exposed to toxins while serving our country and who are now suffering from illness. We must always protect those who protected us, so it was about time that we got that done.

We took action to make our communities safer. I do not have to tell any of you here how much gun violence has affected our communities and our State. For the first time in more than 30 years, Congress took action, in a bipartisan way, to address the epidemic of gun violence and make historic investments in school safety and mental health.

We took action to help make health care more affordable and accessible for our families. Through the Inflation Reduction Act I mentioned earlier, we are lowering health care premiums through a key provision I pushed to include. This law also takes significant steps to reduce the outrageously high cost of prescription drugs. After years of obstruction, Medicare can finally negotiate lower drug costs for our seniors. We capped the cost of insulin for those on Medicare at just \$35 a month, and as a result, private companies are now lowering the cost for everyone else. We broke through a critical barrier, and I am ready to do even more to bring down health care costs. As we work to lower those costs, we must also take action to make care more accessible, especially when some Nevadans, particularly those in rural areas, cannot even see a doctor. That is why I introduced and passed my mobile health law. This will make it easier for mobile health units to bring care directly to communities in need, wherever they are, up and down our State. It will keep people healthy.

We took action to support Nevada. One of the pieces of legislation that I am most proud of is my comprehensive, bipartisan, travel and tourism legislative package. Signed into law at the end of last year, it creates for the first time ever a federal position focused solely on what is best for America's travel and tourism industry. This position is tasked with developing and implementing a national tourism strategy. This is a major victory for a state like ours. I serve as chair of the senate subcommittee overseeing tourism. I will work to see that the person who fills this role understands the specific needs of our communities, for our urban and rural communities. We have to protect it all. I will make sure they understand that. We know we have some more exciting things coming. We have Formula 1 coming to Las Vegas and, of course, the Superbowl.

I have also worked to bring resources and funding to help enact specific projects that our local governments and communities need. The federal funding I worked to secure with Senator Cortez Masto over the past two years is going toward projects that support our local law enforcement, increase affordable housing access, deliver clean drinking water, make medical care more accessible, invest in workforce development and so much more.

In all, more than 90 percent of the legislation I introduced last Congress was bipartisan, and many of those bills were signed into law. Despite only being in my first term, I have been ranked as one of the top 10 most bipartisan senators and one of the top 10 most effective democrats in the Senate, getting things done by working across the aisle. I am proud of these ratings because it reflects that I worked across the aisle to find commonsense, bipartisan solutions that get things done for the people of Nevada. As we work to implement these laws, I will keep working in Washington to make sure Nevada gets its fair share of funding, so you all can put it to good use for our hardworking families.

Last session was truly historic, and we got a lot done, but significant work still remains. This brings me to my second point. We are still facing so many challenges, and I promise I will spend every single day over the next two years working diligently for our State.

I will keep up the fight for our working families. We have to continue to tackle inflation. Middle-class families feel the squeeze at the gas pump, at the grocery store and paying their monthly rent. It is real; you know it, and I know it. We must keep lowering costs, whether it is the cost of housing, healthcare or higher education. We have to continue creating jobs and supporting our workers. That means strengthening unions and their right to organize their workplaces for better working conditions, and that is why I support the PRO Act.

For the next generation, our kids, they are our hope. They are our future. We must support our schools, our educators and our students. That is the future of Nevada. It is exciting when we do that. I look at former Governor Sandoval; I know he is doing this every day. That means giving our teachers a raise and investing in our schools to make sure students and educators have the resources and supplies they need to excite the kids to learn and take on the challenges and opportunities they are going to face when they grow up. That is our job. We need to invest in them like someone invested in us. I know Speaker Yeager and Majority Leader Cannizzaro have a funding bill that will accomplish this.

For the Nevadans who raised us—our parents, our grandparents, our seniors—we must keep our sacred promise to Nevada's seniors by protecting Social Security and Medicare from harmful cuts. They worked hard and earned their benefits. We need to take care of them.

I will keep up the fight for our small businesses. I am a member of the Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee. One thing I am working on is to create a centralized online hub, making it easier for small businesses to access the resources they need to grow and thrive. I know we help small businesses when they get the tools they need to get up and running and help cut through all the bureaucratic red tape. We are investing in their success. They are the job creators. I am leading the efforts to open federal loans and small business administration resources to other businesses like our state-legal cannabis small businesses. They are job creators in our State and in a growing number of states across the country.

I will keep up the fight for safer communities. Rising crime is a concern for our families. That is why I am working to support local law enforcement across the State with the funding, the tools and the resources they need to keep our communities safe, including from dangerous drugs like fentanyl. I am glad to see bills like the one from the Attorney General to help stop fentanyl trafficking.

I will keep up the fight for more accessible health care. We must tackle Nevada's dire shortage of doctors and medical professionals. I introduced a package of bipartisan bills to incentivize doctors to complete their residencies here, stay here and practice in communities across our State that desperately need them. We need solutions at the state level too, such as the bipartisan bill introduced by all four leaders to help expand Nevada's health care pipeline.

We have to continue improving health care for Nevada's veterans. It is why I successfully pushed President Biden to include a new veteran's hospital in Reno as part of his latest budget. I want you to know, I am not going to stop until this new hospital is done and has opened its doors to Nevada's veterans.

As a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, I will continue working to support our servicemembers and Nevada's defense installation. In fact, that is what we are doing right now, working to pass our next national defense package. Nevada is critical to the country's safety and security. I am going to be sure we have the resources we need to keep our country and world safe.

I will keep up the fight to make sure every person in our State and our nation is treated with dignity. We can never stop fighting for our rights. I do not have to tell many of you here, but we must keep working to pass comprehensive, bipartisan, immigration reform that treats people with respect, gives Dreamers a pathway to citizenship, supports our State's temporary protective status recipients and ensures our borders are secure and protected.

We have a lot of other rights we must fight for. We must keep defending the rights of LGBTQ+ Nevadans, which is why I will continue to support and work to pass the Equality Act into law.

Last, but certainly not least, we must keep up the fight to restore and protect reproductive rights. The voters of Nevada care deeply about this, and they agree across party lines. Decisions about a woman's body belong to that woman, not to politicians. This is why I strongly support Majority

Leader Cannizzaro's efforts to make sure we enshrine reproductive freedoms in our state's constitution. I will always be a partner for reproductive freedom at the federal level.

A strong economy, safe communities, opportunity and respect for all, these are bedrock values for Nevadans. By focusing on the issues that matter, I believe we can take action that makes a real, meaningful difference in people's lives. All of us in this chamber have the honor of serving this great State and the privilege of helping Nevadans every day. I believe we can find that common ground. We achieve great things when we work together and talk to each other, republicans and democrats, at the State and federal levels, worrying about what makes Nevada's communities successful. That is where we will thrive and do good work. So tonight, I commit that we will work together to make sure this next chapter of Nevada's story is a bright one. Thank you.

Senator Flores moved that the Senate and Assembly in Joint Session extend a vote of thanks to U.S. Senator Rosen for her timely, able and constructive message.

Motion carried.

The Committee on Escort escorted U.S. Senator Rosen to the bar of the Assembly.

Assemblyman Hafen moved that the Joint Session be dissolved.

Motion carried.

Joint Session dissolved at 5:37 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 5:39 p.m.

President Anthony presiding.

Quorum present.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Senator Hansen requested that his remarks be entered in the Journal.

Last Friday, Assemblywoman Hansen and I traveled to the city of Owyhee in the Duck Valley Indian reservation. I talked to this body about this issue about a month ago. We were invited by the Tribal Chair and the Tribal Council. We went up there and toured the school.

As you recall, at the time when I spoke to you last, there was a great deal of concern because there is a carcinogenic plume on the school property. Now, since that discussion, the testing has been completed. Indeed, there is a very serious health risk to the children on that reservation. We met with the entire student body. We met with all the staff. We then had a tour of the building. We met with the Tribal Council in the Tribal Council chambers; they had a series of people.

They have a disproportionate amount of cancer on the reservation. It is believed this carcinogenic plume has been going on since at least the 1980s. Basically, there are three generations of Indian kids that have gone to that school now. There are, literally, parents, grandparents and the students currently there threatened by this situation.

I bring it to your attention because they have essentially no economic base to speak of. They are 410 miles from this building. They have declared themselves a sovereign nation, and they need financial help to rebuild a new school and protect children. The school is designed for about 500 kids. The school has shrunk down to about 300 kids because parents, understandably, are homeschooling and pulling their children out of the reservation school.

What we have to do is come up with some funding mechanisms. We have a bill working its way through the Assembly—by Assemblywoman Hansen, by the way—where we are trying to get some state dollars. We also have aggressively talked to the Governor's office. I know Congressman Amodei, who is on the Appropriations Committee, is looking into this. Senator Rosen is also working diligently to come up with some funding mechanisms. We have, so far,

during the biennium, about \$9 billion federal dollars. Surely the State of Nevada can come up with at least the \$25 to \$50 million they are anticipating to correct this issue.

This fits every definition for an underprivileged, underserved, minority community. I wanted to, once again, bring this to the body's attention because, frankly, they are isolated where they are. Politically, they do not carry a lot of clout. We as a body have a very serious obligation to help protect the citizens of the State of Nevada and come up with some funding mechanisms. In this case, all those kids are from the Shoshone-Paiute tribe. Those bills are working their way through Finance. With \$9 billion more than we normally have—federal dollars, and this is frankly to some degree, a federal problem and issue—we need to come up as a State and help protect those children.

I wanted to make sure that we are all kept aware of this and keep working diligently when we start divvying up those pies with \$9 billion of federal monies. We need to come up with at least somewhere between \$25 to \$50 million to help rebuild a school for that reservation.

I will be bringing this up periodically because the squeaky wheel gets the grease around here. Frankly, the little, tiny tribe of Indians on the Owyhee Indian reservation—literally on the Idaho-Nevada line—do not get a lot of support. We need to absolutely, aggressively ensure we protect this minority community and help those Indian children, who are currently threatened with possible cancers down the road, that we help build them a new school and a better location to help prevent and stop this health risk to those kids.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Goicoechea, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to A. Lissa Brown Hines.

On request of Senator Krasner, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Jackson LaDuke and Dionne Stanfill.

On request of Senator Lange, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Rob Barcel and Battle Born Progress.

On request of Senator Ohrenschall, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Charles Green and Daniel Royal, M.D.

On request of Senator Seevers Gansert, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to the University of Nevada, Reno.

On request of Senator Spearman, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Alpha Kappa Alpha and Zeta Phi Beta.

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Approved:

STAVROS ANTHONY
President of the Senate

Attest: BRENDAN BUCY

Secretary of the Senate