

Clark County Education Association



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Nevada Senate Committee on Education C/O Chair Senator Moises Denis 401 S Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701

Re: Public Comment for March 8, 2021 Senate Education Hearing SB160: Revises provisions relating to school administrators. (BDR 34-819)

Hello and thank you Committee Chair Denis, and committee members. My name is Hawah Ahmad, and I am here representing the Clark County Education Association. We engage in bipartisan advocacy for advancing public education in Nevada.

CCEA supports the Senate Bill 160 and thanks Senators Kieckhefer and Seevers Gansert for bringing this important bill forth. The goal of public education should not merely be high school graduation, but instead a path to post-secondary education. Dual credit serves two purposes: (1) it allows students who are proceeding to higher education the opportunity to explore courses that challenge them while accruing college credits, and (2) it provides students who are interested in post-secondary the ability to explore options for workforce and career. Expanding dual credit education to include out of state institutions broadens the opportunities for students, as Nevada's students should not be restrained by opportunities only available within the state. Additionally, CCEA believes that maintaining cooperative agreements adds a much-needed layer of transparency by informing students and parents of the cost of enrollment upfront.

CCEA thanks the committee and all sponsors for their effort and looks forward to supporting the full maturation of dual credit programs that will come with this session. Respectfully,

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