

Nevada System of Higher Education

2025 Legislative Session

Update

Board of Regents
June 12, 2025

Today's Presentation

- **NSHE Legislative Advocacy Wrap Up**
- **Legislation Impacting NSHE**

2025 Legislative Advocacy & Communication

2025 Session By the Numbers

- 120 Days
- 1,210 Total Bills & Resolutions Introduced
- 84 Bills with an NSHE Position
- \$127,937,691* in One-Shot Appropriations to NSHE

2025 NSHE Government Affairs Team

System Administration – Primary Team:

Patty Charlton, Interim Chancellor

Daniel Archer, Vice Chancellor for Academic & Student Affairs

Jimmy Martines, Vice Chancellor & Chief General Counsel

Chris Viton, Vice Chancellor of Budget & Finance/CFO

Alejandro Rodriguez, Director of Government Relations

Melissa Glenn, System Administration Operations Manager

NSHE Institutions:

College of Southern Nevada (CSN): Clarissa Cota, Dr. Lawrence Weekly

Desert Research Institute (DRI): Tracy Bower

Great Basin College (GBC): Sarah Negrete

Nevada State University (NSU): Ryan McInerney

Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC): Mike Peyerl

University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV): Leonardo Benavides, Dr. Constance Brooks,

University of Nevada, Reno (UNR): Shelby Bietz, Sheila Bray, Austin Daly, Michael Flores

Western Nevada College (WNC): Dr. Kyle Dalpe

2025 Session Communication

- Meetings with Government Affairs Team in Carson City
- Daily Check-Ins with NSHE Leadership
- Weekly updates to Board of Regents
 - BoR provided written updates, including:
 - Hearings, positions & action taken
 - Schedule of upcoming meetings
 - Updates to Board of Regents at Quarterly/Special Meetings



2025 Legislation Impacting NSHE

NSHE System Administration

AB 191 Collective Bargaining for Professional Employees

AB 388 Paid Family Leave

SB 322 NSHE Board of Regents Professional Development

SB 406 NSHE COVID Litigation Immunity

NSHE System-Wide Legislation

AB 289 NSHE Financial Literacy

AB 345 NSHE Data Dashboard & Financial/Food Insecurity
Interim Study

AB 394 NSHE Opioid Emergency Response Plans

NSHE System-Wide Legislation

AB 397 Homeless Youth Waiver & Fee Waiver Standardization

SB 293 Name, Image, Likeness (NIL)

Educator Pipeline Legislation

AB 286 Alternative Licensure Pilot Program

AB 462 Teacher Academy College Pathway Program

SB 81 Teach Nevada/NTAS/IPT Scholarships

SB 460 Omnibus Education Bill (Cannizzaro)

Healthcare Workforce Legislation

AB 269/ Student Loan Repayment for Providers of Health Care
SB 266 in Underserved Communities Program

SB 262 Graduate Medical Education

SB 494 Nevada Health Authority



NSHE Institution Specific Legislation

AB 365 Cannabis Reporting Requirements at UNR

AB 476 Experiential Legal Education at UNLV

SB 6 Nevada State Cloud Seeding Program at DRI

SB 119 NV Grow Program at CSN

SB 181 Nevada State University License Plate

Additional Legislation

AB 238 Nevada Studio Infrastructure Jobs and Workforce Training Act (Jauregui/Monroe-Moreno)

SB 220 Nevada Film Infrastructure, Workforce Development, Education and Economic Diversification Act (Lange)

Questions

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