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Nevada Assembly Committee on Revenue
C/O Chair Senator Shea Backus
401 S Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

Good Afternoon, Chair Backus and Committee Members.

For the record, my name is Marie Neisess, and I am the president of the Clark County Education Association (CCEA), the largest educator union in Nevada. I am here to speak in support of AB 314.

Assembly Bill 314 presents an invaluable opportunity for our students by creating an additional career pathway in the healthcare field. AB 314 will provide financial support for students to explore various medical career options, giving them a broader perspective on their future.

AB 314 is essential as it directly addresses the critical shortage of healthcare professionals in Nevada. By offering a focused career path in the medical field, it opens doors for students to explore careers they might not have otherwise considered. This will help fill the growing gap in our healthcare workforce and significantly contribute to the state's economic growth.

Assembly Bill 314 includes provisions for reimbursement for tuition charges paid to an institution within the Nevada System of Higher Education or to a licensing board or regulatory body in this state. This support is crucial for students in financial need and preparing for employment in the healthcare profession. It ensures that students pursuing careers in these critical fields can do so without being burdened by the high costs often associated with educational and licensing requirements.

AB 314 will positively impact high school and college graduation rates by keeping students engaged and motivated. We have a chance to inspire the next generation, showing them a clear and achievable pathway to success in the healthcare industry.

We thank Assemblywoman Edgeworth for bringing this bill forward. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,
Marie Neisess
President, Clark County Education Association

