

May 13, 2025

Chair Monroe-Moreno and members of the Assembly Ways & Means Committee:

Re: Opposition to AB539

AB539 seeks to establish career counseling at the middle school level. It is a worthy goal to set students on a desirable career path. However, middle school is too early to think about post high school careers. Also, this bill states that the program would be established “to the extent money is available.” If the funding is not there, then why waste time on a bill? IF any additional educational funding is available, it should be spent on raising Nevada students test scores, which are sadly near the bottom of every national metric.

A program like this would be better suited to freshman or sophomore year of high school.

I am definitely in favor of Senator Nguyen’s conceptual amendment idea for a class on financial literacy.

Please vote no on AB539, and thank you for your consideration.

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