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**NOTICE OF REQUEST BASED ON SECTION 8401 of THE EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT
(REQUESTING A TYDING WAIVER)**

Notice is hereby given that the Nevada Department of Education is requesting a Tydings waiver from the United States Department of Education for FY2013 School Improvement Grant (SIG) Grant number S377A130029. The “Tydings Waiver” will allow the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) to continue using these funds for School Improvement programs that deliver high-quality support to student learning and gains in academic achievement. Specifically, the funds will be used to continue support for low performing schools that have been awarded SIG funds to improve academic achievement and graduation rates among all students with an emphasis on:

- Implementation of interventions in Comprehensive and Title I schools
- Establishing annual goals for student achievement on Nevada’s State assessments in reading language arts, and mathematics
- Recruiting and selecting evidenced based external providers to ensure their quality
- Increased learning time
- Providing high quality, job-embedded professional development
- Instruction that is aligned with the school’s comprehensive instructional program
- Ongoing mechanisms for family and community engagement(e.g. partnerships with parents and community to create safe schools; and approaches to improve climate and school discipline

In addition these funds will support our Nevada State plan by addressing academic achievement measured by statewide achievement tests in Reading/Language Arts and Math as well as graduation rates. Furthermore, schools receiving the SIG funding have included into their program of implementation, specific sustainability activities that will allow for continuation of activities and supports that began under the SIG grant.

All comments regarding the request for waiver must be submitted to Karen Gordon, Director of School Improvement Grants, Office of School and Student Supports, by e-mail at kgordon@doe.nv.gov; or mailed and received to the following address by noon on September 7, 2017:

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The waiver request can be found at: http://www.doe.nv.gov/School Improvement/School_Improvement_Grant/.