

Agenda Item #10

Nevada Cost of Education Index Review

Commission on School Funding
October 20, 2023

Nevada Cost of Education Index

NCEI

NRS 387.1215

1. To account for variation between the counties of this State in the cost of living and the cost of labor, the Department shall establish by regulation cost adjustment factors for the school district located in, and each charter school that provides classroom-based instruction in, each county of this State

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Recommended NCEI

- Nevada Cost of Education Index (NCEI)
 - Wages
 - A Comparable Wage Index (CWI) is used for the wage portion of the Index
 - All workers at all education levels were included
 - Goods
 - The Regional Price Parities (RPPs) is used for the non-wage portion of the index

Previous Presentations and Discussions Relating to NCEI

- December 2019
- January 2020
- February 2020
- April 2020
- May 2020
- July 2020
- April 2021
- December 2021
- January 2022
- February 2022
- July 2022
- September 2022

Previous Motions Related to NCEI

- April 2020
 - Motion to use APA’s final NCEI and apply a floor of 1.0. Motion passed
- April 2021
 - Motion to reconsider or rescind initial support of the NCEI for the implementation of the PCFP and set every district at zero until further study is directed by a third-party subject matter expert. Motion failed
- February 2022
 - Remove the 1.0 floor for the upcoming biennium Motion passed
- September 2022
 - Eliminate the effect of the NCEI by placing every district at 1.0. Motion passed.

Recommendation

- Engage with Nevada subject matter experts to evaluate implications

OR

- Adopted previous recommendation

OR

- Alternative option