ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 67–COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE STATE TREASURER)

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Establishes the Nevada Baby Bonds Program. (BDR 18-477)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the State Treasurer; establishing the Nevada Baby Bonds Program and the Nevada Baby Bonds Trust Fund; setting forth the duties and responsibilities of the State Treasurer in administering the Program and Trust Fund; authorizing the State Treasurer to adopt regulations relating to the Program; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

The Nevada Constitution requires the State Treasurer to perform such duties as may be prescribed by law. (Nev. Const. Art. 5, § 22) Section 8 of this bill: (1) establishes the Nevada Baby Bonds Program and the Nevada Baby Bonds Trust Fund; and (2) requires the State Treasurer to administer the Program and Trust Fund. Sections 6 and 7 of this bill, respectively, define the terms "Program" and "Trust Fund." Section 4 of this bill establishes that a "designated beneficiary" under the

7 Section 4 of this bill establishes that a "designated beneficiary" under the 8 Program is a natural person born in this State on or after January 1, 2026, whose 9 birth was subject to medical coverage provided under Medicaid, as defined in 10 section 5 of this bill, or the Children's Health Insurance Program, as defined in 11 section 3 of this bill.

Section 9 of this bill requires the State Treasurer, within the limits of money made available for this purpose, to credit \$3,200 in the Trust Fund to each designated beneficiary. If the money available in the Trust Fund is insufficient to cover all designated beneficiaries for a particular year, section 9 requires the State Treasurer to: (1) determine the appropriate number of designated beneficiaries for





17 whom money is available; and (2) select by lottery the designated beneficiaries who 18 will receive a credit of \$3,200 in the Trust Fund.

19 Section 9 authorizes a designated beneficiary to submit a claim to the State 2021222324252627282930Treasurer to receive money credited to the designated beneficiary in the Trust Fund if the designated beneficiary: (1) is at least 18 but less than 30 years of age; (2) has been a resident of this State for at least the 12 months immediately preceding the submission of the claim; (3) attests that he or she will use the money for certain purposes; and (4) has successfully completed a course in financial literacy approved by the State Treasurer.

Section 10 of this bill requires the State Treasurer to provide an annual statement to each designated beneficiary, which includes certain information.

Section 11 of this bill provides that, with certain exceptions, any money deposited into the Trust Fund must not be used to calculate the personal assets of a designated beneficiary for purposes of determining eligibility of the designated 31 beneficiary for: (1) any disability, medical or other health benefits administered by 32 33 this State; or (2) any student loan program, student grant program or other student financial aid program administered by this State.

34 Section 12 of this bill: (1) sets forth certain requirements and limitations on the 35 State Treasurer in investing and reinvesting the money in the Trust Fund; and (2) 36 authorizes the State Treasurer to enter into certain contracts and procure insurance 37 for the Trust Fund, apply for, accept and expend any gifts, grants and donations and 38 take any other action necessary to carry out the provisions of law related to the 39 Program.

40 Sections 13 and 15 of this bill provide, with certain exceptions, that all 41 information about a designated beneficiary which is contained in a record or file in 42 the possession, control or custody of the State Treasurer is confidential.

43 44 Section 14 of this bill authorizes the State Treasurer to adopt any regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of law relating to the Program, including, 45 without limitation, requirements relating to the course in financial literacy for 46 designated beneficiaries required by section 9.

47 Section 16 of this bill makes an appropriation to the Nevada Baby Bonds Trust 48 Fund.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY. DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 226 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 1 2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this 3 act.

4 Sec. 2. As used in sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this act, 5 unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of this act have the meanings ascribed 6 7 to them in those sections.

8 Sec. 3. "Children's Health Insurance Program" means the program established pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 1397aa to 1397ji, 9 inclusive, to provide health insurance for uninsured children from 10 11 low-income families in this State.

"Designated beneficiary" means a natural person Sec. 4. 12 born in this State on or after January 1, 2026, whose birth was 13





subject to medical coverage provided under Medicaid or the 1 2 Children's Health Insurance Program.

3 Sec. 5. "Medicaid" means the program established pursuant to Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 1396 et seq., 4 5 to provide assistance for part or all of the cost of medical care 6 rendered on behalf of indigent persons.

7 "Program" means the Nevada Baby Bonds Program Sec. 6. 8 established by section 8 of this act.

"Trust Fund" means the Nevada Baby Bonds Trust 9 Sec. 7. 10 Fund created by section 8 of this act.

11 Sec. 8. 1. The Nevada Baby Bonds Program is hereby 12 established, to be administered by the State Treasurer.

13 2. The Nevada Baby Bonds Trust Fund is hereby created for 14 the purpose of carrying out the Program. The Trust Fund and any 15 account established by the State Treasurer pursuant to subsection 16 3 must be administered by the State Treasurer.

17 3. The State Treasurer may establish such accounts in the 18 Trust Fund as the State Treasurer determines necessary to carry out the duties of the State Treasurer pursuant to sections 2 to 14, 19 20 inclusive, of this act.

21 The Trust Fund is an instrumentality of this State, and its 4. 22 property and income are exempt from all taxation of this State and 23 any political subdivision thereof. 24

The Trust Fund consists of: 5.

25 (a) All money from public or private sources appropriated by 26 or made available to this State for the benefit of the Trust Fund; 27 and

28 (b) All earnings on the money in the Trust Fund.

6. The money in the Trust Fund:

30 (a) Is not the property of this State and this State has no claim 31 to or interest in such money; and

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(b) Must not be commingled with any money of this State.

33 7. Any contract entered into by the State Treasurer on behalf of the Trust Fund does not constitute a debt or obligation of this 34 35 State, and no designated beneficiary is entitled to any money in the Trust Fund except for that money credited to the designated 36 37 beneficiary pursuant to section 9 of this act.

The money in the Trust Fund must be preserved, invested 38 8. and expended solely pursuant to and for the purposes authorized 39 40 by sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this act and must not be loaned or otherwise transferred or used by this State for any other purpose. 41

42 The Trust Fund must continue in existence as long as it 9. 43 holds any deposits or has any obligations, or until its existence is 44 terminated by law. Upon termination, any unclaimed assets must revert to the State General Fund. 45





The Department of Health and Human Services 4 Sec. 9. 1. 5 shall notify the State Treasurer of the birth of each designated beneficiary. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the 6 State Treasurer shall, within the limits of money made available 7 8 for this purpose, credit to each designated beneficiary \$3,200 in the Trust Fund. If the money available for such purpose is 9 insufficient to cover all designated beneficiaries born for a 10 11 particular year, the State Treasurer shall: 12 (a) Determine the appropriate number of designated 13 beneficiaries for whom money in the Trust Fund is available; and (b) Select by lottery the designated beneficiaries for that year 14 who will receive a credit of \$3,200 in the Trust Fund. 15 2. A designated beneficiary may submit a claim to the State 16 17 Treasurer to receive money in the Trust Fund credited to the 18 designated beneficiary if the designated beneficiary: 19 (a) Is at least 18 but less than 30 years of age; 20 (b) Has been a resident of this State for at least the 12 months 21 immediately preceding the submission of the claim to the State 22 Treasurer: 23 (c) Attests that he or she will use the money for one or more of 24 the following purposes: 25 (1) Postsecondary education, including, without limitation, 26 vocational education or apprenticeship readiness and training; 27 (2) To purchase a home; 28 (3) To start or purchase a business; or 29 (4) To invest in financial assets or personal capital that 30 provides a long-term gain to the wages or wealth of the designated 31 beneficiary; and 32 (d) Has successfully completed a course in financial literacy approved by the State Treasurer, which must include, without 33 limitation, training on the rights and protections available to 34 35 consumers when: (1) Receiving or repaying a student loan for postsecondary 36 37 education; 38 (2) Purchasing a home; 39 (3) Starting or purchasing a business; and (4) Investing in financial assets or personal capital that 40 provides a long-term gain to the wages or wealth of the designated

42 beneficiary. 3. The money for which the designated beneficiary may 43 44 submit a claim pursuant to subsection 2 must include the:



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the money appropriated during a fiscal year for the Program to

The State Treasurer may use not more than 5 percent of

1 (a) Amount credited to the designated beneficiary pursuant to 2 subsection 1; and

(b) Pro rata share of the total net earnings from the investment
of the money held in the Trust Fund that the State Treasurer
determines is attributable to the designated beneficiary.

6 4. The State Treasurer must credit back to the Trust Fund all 7 money which the designated beneficiary is entitled to claim 8 pursuant to subsection 3 if the designated beneficiary:

9 (a) Dies before he or she is eligible to submit a claim to the 10 State Treasurer pursuant to subsection 2; or

11 (b) Does not submit a claim that meets the requirements set 12 forth in subsection 2 before the designated beneficiary reaches 30 13 years of age.

14 Sec. 10. 1. The State Treasurer shall provide an annual 15 statement to each designated beneficiary who receives a credit in 16 the Trust Fund pursuant to section 9 of this act which must 17 include, without limitation:

(a) A statement of the amount credited to the designated
beneficiary in the Trust Fund;

20 (b) A projection of the growth of the amount credited to the 21 designated beneficiary in the Trust Fund;

22 (c) Resources and information to promote the financial 23 wellness and literacy of the designated beneficiary; and

(d) Any other information about the Program that the State
 Treasurer determines to be relevant.

26 2. The State Treasurer may request the contact information 27 of any designated beneficiary from a state agency for the purpose 28 of carrying out the provisions of subsection 1. Upon any such 29 request, a state agency shall provide the State Treasurer with the 30 contact information of a designated beneficiary.

Sec. 11. Except as otherwise provided by federal law, any money deposited into the Trust Fund and credited to a designated beneficiary, and any increase in the values thereof, must not be used to calculate the personal assets of a designated beneficiary for purposes of determining the eligibility of the designated beneficiary for any:

1. Disability, medical or other health benefits administered by this State; or

39 2. Student loan program, student grant program or other 40 student financial aid program administered by this State.

41 Sec. 12. 1. The State Treasurer, on behalf of the Trust 42 Fund and for trust purposes, shall:

43 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, invest and 44 reinvest the money in the Trust Fund, including, without 45 limitation, in any instrument, obligation, security or property, in





any manner that is reasonable and appropriate in order to achieve
 the objectives of the Trust Fund, and while exercising the
 discretion and care of a prudent person in similar circumstances
 with similar objectives; and

5 (b) Give due consideration to the expected rate of return, risk, 6 term or maturity, diversification of the total investments within the 7 Trust Fund, liquidity, projected disbursements and expenditures 8 and anticipated deposits, contributions and gifts to the Trust 9 Fund.

10 2. The State Treasurer shall not, on behalf of the Trust Fund, 11 invest directly in obligations of the State or any political 12 subdivision thereof or in any investment or other fund 13 administered by the State Treasurer.

14 3. The State Treasurer, on behalf of the Trust Fund and for 15 trust purposes, may:

16 (a) Enter into contracts for the Trust Fund, including, without 17 limitation, contracts for legal, actuarial, accounting, custodial, 18 advisory, management, administrative, advertising, marketing and 19 consulting services, and pay for such contractual services from the 20 earnings on the money in the Trust Fund;

(b) Procure insurance for the Trust Fund in connection with
 the property, assets, activities or deposits of the Trust Fund;

23 (c) Apply for, accept and expend any gifts, grants and 24 donations from any public or private source for the purpose of 25 carrying out the provisions of sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this 26 act; and

(d) Take any other action necessary to carry out the provisions
of sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this act, and incidental to the
duties imposed on the State Treasurer pursuant to sections 2 to 14,
inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 13. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, all information about a designated beneficiary which is contained in a record or file in the possession, control or custody of the State Treasurer is confidential regardless of the form, location and manner of creation or storage of a record or file containing the information.

37 2. The State Treasurer may only disclose information made
38 confidential pursuant to subsection 1 to a third party if:

39 (a) Such disclosure is necessary for the State Treasurer to 40 carry out his or her duties related to the Program; and

41 (b) The State Treasurer executes a confidentiality agreement 42 with the third party before providing the third party with any 43 confidential information.

44 Sec. 14. The State Treasurer may adopt any regulations 45 necessary for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of





sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this act, including, without
 limitation, requirements for the course in financial literacy for
 designated beneficiaries required pursuant to subsection 2 of
 section 9 of this act and requirements to ensure a designated
 beneficiary has successfully completed such a course.

Sec. 15. NRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows: 6 7 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and 239.010 NRS 1.4683, 1.4687, 1A.110, 3.2203, 41.0397, 41.071, 49.095, 8 49.293, 62D.420, 62D.440, 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025, 62H.030, 9 62H.170, 62H.220, 62H.320, 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152, 10 80.113, 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413, 11 87A.200, 87A.580, 87A.640, 88.3355, 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345, 12 13 88A.7345, 89.045, 89.251, 90.730, 91.160, 116.757, 116A.270, 118B.026, 119.260, 119.265, 119.267, 14 116B.880. 119.280. 119A.280, 119A.653, 119A.677, 119B.370, 119B.382, 120A.640, 15 120A.690, 125.130, 125B.140, 126.141, 126.161, 126.163, 126.730, 16 17 127.007, 127.057, 127.130, 127.140, 127.2817, 128.090, 130.312, 130.712, 136.050, 159.044, 159A.044, 164.041, 172.075, 172.245, 18 176.01334, 176.01385, 176.015, 176.0625, 176.09129, 176.156, 19 176A.630, 178.39801, 178.4715, 178.5691, 178.5717, 179.495, 20 179A.070, 179A.165, 179D.160, 180.600, 200.3771, 200.3772, 21 22 200.604, 202.3662, 205.4651, 209.392, 209.3923, 200.5095. 209.3925, 209.419, 209.429, 209.521, 211A.140, 213.010, 213.040, 23 213.095, 213.131, 217.105, 217.110, 217.464, 217.475, 218A.350, 24 25 218E.625, 218F.150, 218G.130, 218G.240, 218G.350, 218G.615, 224.240, 226.462, 226.796, 228.270, 228.450, 228.495, 228.570, 26 27 231.069. 231.1285, 231.1473, 232.1369, 233.190, 237.300. 28 239.0105, 239.0113, 239.014, 239B.026, 239B.030, 239B.040, 239B.050, 239C.140, 239C.210, 239C.230, 239C.250, 239C.270, 29 239C.420, 240.007, 241.020, 241.030, 241.039, 242.105, 244.264, 30 244.335, 247.540, 247.545, 247.550, 247.560, 250.087, 250.130, 31 250.140, 250.145, 250.150, 268.095, 268.0978, 268.490, 268.910, 32 269.174, 271A.105, 281.195, 281.805, 281A.350, 281A.680, 33 281A.685, 281A.750, 281A.755, 281A.780, 284.4068, 284.4086, 34 286.110, 286.118, 287.0438, 289.025, 289.080, 289.387, 289.830, 35 293.4855, 293.5002, 293.503, 293.504, 293.558, 293.5757, 293.870, 36 37 293.906, 293.908, 293.909, 293.910, 293B.135, 293D.510, 331.110, 332.061, 332.351, 333.333, 333.335, 338.070, 338.1379, 338.1593, 38 349.597, 39 338.1725, 338.1727, 348.420, 349.775, 353.205, 353A.049, 353A.085, 353A.100, 353C.240, 353D.250, 360.240, 40 360.247, 360.255, 360.755, 361.044, 361.2242, 361.610, 365.138, 41 42 366.160, 368A.180, 370.257, 370.327, 372A.080, 378.290, 378.300, 43 379.0075, 379.008, 379.1495, 385A.830, 385B.100, 387.626, 387.631, 388.1455, 388.259, 388.501, 388.503, 388.513, 388.750, 44 388A.249. 391.033. 391.035. 391.0365. 45 388A.247. 391.120.



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679B.285, 679B.690, 680A.270, 681A.440, 681B.260, 681B.410, 1 2 681B.540, 683A.0873, 685A.077, 686A.289, 686B.170, 686C.306, 687A.060, 687A.115, 687B.404, 687C.010, 688C.230, 688C.480, 3 688C.490, 689A.696, 692A.117, 692C.190, 692C.3507, 692C.3536, 4 5 692C.3538, 692C.354, 692C.420, 693A.480, 693A.615, 696B.550, 696C.120, 703.196, 704B.325, 706.1725, 706A.230, 710.159, 711.600, *section 13 of this act*, sections 35, 38 and 41 of chapter 6 7 8 478, Statutes of Nevada 2011 and section 2 of chapter 391, Statutes 9 of Nevada 2013 and unless otherwise declared by law to be confidential, all public books and public records of a governmental 10 entity must be open at all times during office hours to inspection by 11 12 any person, and may be fully copied or an abstract or memorandum 13 may be prepared from those public books and public records. Any 14 such copies, abstracts or memoranda may be used to supply the 15 general public with copies, abstracts or memoranda of the records or 16 may be used in any other way to the advantage of the governmental entity or of the general public. This section does not supersede or in 17 18 any manner affect the federal laws governing copyrights or enlarge, diminish or affect in any other manner the rights of a person in any 19 written book or record which is copyrighted pursuant to federal law. 20

21 2. A governmental entity may not reject a book or record 22 which is copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.

23 A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a 3. 24 public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to 25 subsection 1 to inspect or copy or receive a copy of a public book or 26 record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains 27 information that is confidential if the governmental entity can 28 redact, delete, conceal or separate, including, without limitation, 29 electronically, the confidential information from the information 30 included in the public book or record that is not otherwise 31 confidential.

4. If requested, a governmental entity shall provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format by means of an electronic medium. Nothing in this subsection requires a governmental entity to provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format or by means of an electronic medium if:

37 38 (a) The public record: (1) Was not created or prepared in an electronic for

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(1) Was not created or prepared in an electronic format; and(2) Is not available in an electronic format; or

40 (b) Providing the public record in an electronic format or by 41 means of an electronic medium would:

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(1) Give access to proprietary software; or

43 (2) Require the production of information that is confidential
44 and that cannot be redacted, deleted, concealed or separated from
45 information that is not otherwise confidential.





1 5. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who 2 has legal custody or control of a public record:

(a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in the
medium that is requested because the officer, employee or agent has
already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different
medium.

7 (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon 8 request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require 9 the person who has requested the copy to prepare the copy himself 10 or herself.

11 **Sec. 16.** There is hereby appropriated from the State General 12 Fund to the Nevada Baby Bonds Trust Fund created by section 8 of 13 this act the sum of \$5,000,000 for the establishment of the Nevada 14 Baby Bonds Program pursuant to section 8 of this act.

15 Sec. 17. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and 16 approval.

17 2. Section 16 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2025.

18 3. Sections 1 through 15, inclusive, of this act become 19 effective:

20 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purposes of adopting any 21 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative

22 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

23 (b) On January 1, 2026, for all other purposes.

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