## NEVADA GIRLS STATE SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5

Memorializes the 2015 session of the Nevada Legislature to enact legislation that increases economic diversity and stability through waiving the annual two hundred (200) dollar licensing fee and guaranteeing 40% of the spots at business incubators for start up companies that seek to work in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields, such as health and medical services, clean energy, and information technology.

WHEREAS, Currently an extremely small number of fields, primarily gaming and mining, produce the majority of Nevada's gross revenue; and

WHEREAS, The fact that Nevada's revenue is isolated to so few fields makes the Nevadan economy unstable and extremely susceptible to potential changes in the national and international economy; and

WHEREAS, With the resources provided by business incubators, STEM start ups will find it easier to establish themselves during the initial period of growth; and

WHEREAS, Thus, these resources and fee waivers will serve as incentives for such start-ups to invest their businesses in Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Encouraging the establishment of businesses in STEM fields create greater economic diversity, and, as a consequence, stability, within the Nevadan economy; and

WHEREAS, Greater diversity will yield a greater number of job fields Nevada can cater to, thus creating more capital; and

WHEREAS, In addition, this would create a greater number of businesses the state government can tax after the initial period of growth; and

WHEREAS, encouraging businesses in STEM specifically will advance scientific and technological knowledge beneficial to the whole of mankind; therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GIRLS STATE OF NEVADA, assembled in Carson City on July 3, 2014, that the 2015 session of the Nevada Legislature is hereby memorialized to enact legislation that will create greater economic diversity and stability through encouraging the establishment of STEM businesses.