Businesses dissecting Sandoval's revenue plan

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Talk of tax season is ripe in the Nevada Legislature, but the chatter has nothing to do with April 15.

Gov. Brian Sandoval will lobby for his business license fee on Wednesday in the Senate's revenue committee. The fee, an existing tax the Sandoval administration has reconfigured, would levy the key fiscal component of his \$1.1 billion tax plan aiming to bolster the state's public education system.

Sandoval is breaking with traditional conservative ideologies in the name of offering \$438 million to boost new programs and opportunities for the state's students, teachers and parents in the next two years. He is one of at least 10 Republican governors calling for tax hikes across the country and says he is determined to cement the 2015 session as the foundation for revamping Nevada's bottom-rung education system.

Sandoval's education-driven gusto has politicians and special interests singing his praises and willing to write checks.

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