Gov. Sisolak signs directive to protect Nevadans from garnishment of COVID-19 related funds

Carson City, NV — Governor Steve Sisolak has signed an emergency directive to temporarily provide economic relief to Nevadans by freezing some garnishment actions and executions of judgments against bank accounts, including Nevadans receiving CARES Act fund.

“During this period of economic uncertainty and hardship, this is not the time to create additional financial stress on Nevadans who are struggling to make ends meet,” Gov. Sisolak said. “This measure ensures that federal stimulus money intended to help Nevada’s families and individuals actually stays in their pockets.”

Directive 017 does not apply to judgments for child support, spousal support like alimony, or to restitution to victims of crimes.

Nevada joins other states in issuing temporary protection to prevent such garnishments, including its Western state partners – Oregon, Washington, and California.