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FIRST SESSION, 2001**

March 5, 2001

Mr. Speaker:

**Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred
HOUSE BILL 899**

**has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:**

1. On page 3, between lines 21 and 22, insert the following new section:

"Section 2. Section 22-8-18 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1974, Chapter 8, Section 8, as amended) is amended to read:

"22-8-18. PROGRAM COST CALCULATION--LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD RESPONSIBILITY.--

A. The total program units for the purpose of computing the program cost for the 2002-2003 school year shall be calculated by multiplying the sum of the program units itemized as Paragraphs (1) through (4) [~~in~~] of this subsection by the [~~instruction~~] sum of the instruction staff training and experience index and one-tenth of the classified staff training and experience index and adding the program units itemized as Paragraphs (5) through (8) [~~in~~] of this subsection. The total program units for the purpose of computing the program cost for the 2004-2005 school year and subsequent school years shall be calculated by multiplying the sum of the program units itemized as Paragraph (1) through (4) of this subsection by the sum of the instruction staff training and experience index and three-tenths of the classified staff training and experience index and adding the program units itemized as Paragraphs (5) through (8) of this subsection. The itemized program units are as follows:

- (1) early childhood education;
- (2) basic education;
- (3) special education, adjusted by subtracting the units derived from membership in class D special education programs in private, nonsectarian, nonprofit training centers;

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- (4) bilingual multicultural education;
- (5) size adjustment;
- (6) at-risk program;
- (7) enrollment growth or new district adjustment; and
- (8) special education units derived from membership in class D special education programs in private, nonsectarian, nonprofit training centers.

B. The total program cost calculated as prescribed in Subsection A of this section includes the cost of early childhood, special, bilingual multicultural and vocational education and other remedial or enrichment programs. It is the responsibility of the local school board to determine its priorities in terms of the needs of the community served by that board. Funds generated under the Public School Finance Act are discretionary to local school boards, provided that the special program needs as enumerated in this section are met."",

and thence referred to the APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Mi era, Chairman

Adopted _____
(Chief Clerk)

Not Adopted _____
(Chief Clerk)

Date _____

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The roll call vote was 7 For 5 Against

Yes: 7

No: Boykin, Hamilton, Tinnin, Wilson, Williams

Excused: Stapleton

Absent: None

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