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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Lutz	DATE TYPED:	02/09/00	HB	HJM 11/aHEC
SHORT TITLE:	National Pledge Against Gun Violence Program			SB	
				ANALYST:	Baca

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY00	FY01	FY00	FY01		
	NFI				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC files, SDE

SUMMARY

Synopsis of House Education Committee Amendment

The amendment adopted by the House Education Committee changes the word "program" to "strategy" in the title and in the request that the SBE develop a "strategy" instead of "program" for the participation of public schools in the "pledge Against Gun Violence Program."

The change in wording is consistent with a recommendation made by SDE. The intent of the bill is unchanged, but the request conforms to what should occur programmatically.

Synopsis of Bill

House Joint Memorial requests that SDE work with local school boards to develop a program promoting the national student pledge against gun violence.

Significant Issues

Historically, SDE has collaborated with local school district personnel to develop guidelines for programs to be implemented at the local level. SDE has not developed programs for local school districts. As written, the memorial suggests greater SDE involvement, a degree of involvement, the agency analysis claims, cannot be allocated given the agency's current funding. Moreover, the SDE analysis states, "Traditionally, student pledges are not a program within themselves rather a strategy or activity within an existing framework."

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

None

CONFLICT/DUPLICATION/COMPANIONSHIP/RELATIONSHIP

None apparent.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

SDE staff recommend the language in the memorial be changed to read "develop a strategy" so the intent of the memorial can be implemented within existing agency resources.

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