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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Stewart	DATE TYPED:	02/03/02	НВ	176
SHORT TITLE	: Alternative Schools S	Size Adjustment Un	its	SB	
			ANALY	YST:	Gilbert

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		_		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected	
FY02	FY03		FY02	FY03		
	\$	8,100.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Response Received

NM State Department of Education (SDE)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 176 amends § 22-8-23 of the Public School Finance Act to allow alternative schools to generate size adjustment program units. The bill also appropriates \$8.1 million to the State Department of Education (SDE) for FY 2003 to fund any additional units generated.

Significant Issues

HB 176 would allow SDE-approved alternative schools with a MEM of less than 400 to generate elementary-junior high size units and senior high size units. Alternative programs within a traditional school, however, would not be eligible for size adjustment units.

According to the SDE, the appropriation in this bill is sufficient to cover the estimated additional units generated by alternative school size adjustment program units for FY 2003. (See attached spreadsheet.)

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MEM is the school membership including early childhood education full-time-equivalent membership, but excluding membership in class C and D programs and excluding full-time-equivalent membership in 3-year and 4-year-old developmentally disabled programs.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$8.1 million contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2003 shall revert to the general fund.

RLG/ar Attachment

PROGRAM COSTGENERATED BY ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS F ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS WERE ELG BLE FOR SIZE ADJUSIMENT BASED ON 2001-2002 40 DAY MEM BERSHIP AND THE 2001-2002 UNITVALUE

		SZE	UNIS	PROGRAM COSTAT
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ALBUQ UERQ UE	CAREER ENRICHMENT	39	62.790	\$180,127
ALBUQ UERQ UE	FREEDOM HIGH	223	157.884	\$452,925
ALBUQ UERQ UE	NEW FUTURES SCHOOL	221	158.236	\$453,935
ALBUQ UERQ UE	SCHOOLON WHEELS	212	159.424	\$457,343
ALBUQ UERQ UE	SERRA ALIERNATIVE	98	118.384	\$339,611
AZIEC	VISIA NUEVA ALIT. HS	38	61.560	\$176,598
BELEN	BELEN ALTERNATIVE	30	51.000	\$146,305
BLO O M FELD	CHARLEY.BROWN	50	75.000	\$215,154
CENTRALCONS.	C AREER PREP HS	120	134.400	\$385,556
FARM ING TO N	ROCNANTE HIGH SCHL	211	159.516	\$457,607
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HO BBS	ALTERNATIVE H G H	99	119.196	\$341,940
HO USE	THE LEARNING CENTER	76	98.496	\$282,557
LAS C RUC ES	SAN ANDRES HIGH	212	159.424	\$457,343
LO S LUNAS	CENTURY HIGH SCHOOL	76	98.496	\$282,557
LOVINGTON	NEW HOPE ALTERNATIVE HIGH	41	65.190	\$187,012
PO RTALES	BRO AD HORZONS ALT	127	138.684	\$397,846
RIO RANCHO	RD RANCHO ALT. SCHOOL	196	159.936	\$458,812
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SANTA FE	C AREER AC AD EM Y	181	158.556	\$454,853
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TUC UM C ARI	ESPERANZA HIGH SCH	27	46.710	\$133,998
	TO TAL	3,247	2,828.906	\$8,115,339

^{*}Mem bership for size adjustment does not include students receiving C-orD-level special education services.