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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/25/06

SPONSOR Carraro LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB \_\_\_\_\_

SHORT TITLE Educational Televisions in Rural School Buses SB 114

ANALYST Aguilar

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$2,000.0	Nonrecurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY06	FY07	FY08	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>		\$8.0	\$2.0	\$12.0	Recurring	General Fund

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### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Not Received From  
Public Education Department (PED)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 114 appropriates \$2 million from the general fund to the Public Education Department for the purchase and installation of televisions and VCR-DVD players for educational programming in rural school buses used on rural bus routes that are at least 30 miles one way.

The bill directs the department to promulgate rules guiding the type of educational programming that may be shown on school buses.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Issuing RFP's and managing the contract for the purchase and installation of the television equipment as well as conducting and completing the rule making process to include public hearings will require substantial resources within the agency.

Installing this type of equipment on a bus in a rural area may subject the equipment to harsh conditions from rough roads. Maintenance costs are not included in the appropriation. These costs are considered to be ongoing year to year.

The appropriation of \$2 million contained in this bill is a nonrecurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

PA/yr