HOUSE BILL 513

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

INTRODUCED BY

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE; ADDING THE CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENT ACTIVITIES PROGRAM UNIT INTO THE PROGRAM COST CALCULATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. 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 RESPONSIBILITY.--

A. The total program units for the purpose of computing the program cost shall be calculated by multiplying the sum of the program units itemized as Paragraphs (1) through (5) in this subsection by the instructional staff training and experience index and adding the program units itemized as Paragraphs (6) through [(10)] (11) in this subsection. The

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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;

(4) bilingual multicultural education;

(5) fine arts education;

(6) size adjustment;

(7) at-risk program;

(8) enrollment growth or new district adjustment;

(9) special education units derived from membership in class D special education programs in private, nonsectarian, nonprofit training centers; [and]

(10) national board for professional teaching standards certification; and

(11) charter school student activities.

B. The total program cost calculated as prescribed in Subsection A of this section includes the cost of early childhood, special, bilingual multicultural, fine arts and vocational education and other remedial or enrichment programs. It is the responsibility of the local school board or governing body of a charter school to determine its priorities in terms of the needs of the community served by that board. Funds

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generated under the Public School Finance Act are discretionary

to local school boards and governing bodies of charter schools,

provided that the special program needs as enumerated in this

section are met."

        Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the

provisions of this act is July 1, 2007.

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