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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SPONSOR Rawson HB \_\_\_\_\_

SHORT TITLE Home School Student Activities Program Unit SB 1098/aSEC/aSFI

ANALYST Aguilar

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to SB 156

Relates to appropriations in the General Appropriation Act

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of SFI Amendment

Senate Floor Amendment #1 to Senate Bill 1098 removes language relating to home school students choosing to participate in activities at a school other than the one in the attendance zone in which the student resides. It appears that this provision precludes home school students choosing where they will participate.

#### Synopsis of SEC Amendment

The Senate Education Committee amendment to Senate Bill 1098 clarifies that home school students are eligible to participate in athletic activities in only one school district and provides that the school district shall verify each home school student's academic eligibility to participate.

#### Synopsis of Original Bill

Senate Bill 1098 adds the home school student activities program unit into the program cost calculation provides for a cost differential factor and establishes home school student eligibility to participate in school district activities.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

Senate Bill 1098 does not contain an appropriation. The cost differential factor of 0.1 times the number of home school students participating in school district activities would be minimal for most districts except for Albuquerque, which has the highest concentration of home school students within its boundaries.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

At present, the funding formula study taskforce is involved in overseeing a contractor undertaking a complete review of the funding formula. Recommendations from the taskforce will be presented to the Legislature in the fall of 2007, in time for consideration by the 2008 legislative session.

The Legislature may wish to delay changes to the program cost calculations until results of the study are complete.

The bill provides that home school students are eligible to participate in school district activities at the public school in the attendance zone in which the student resides and further provides that home school students shall be subject to New Mexico Activities Association guidelines.

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