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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/21/08

SPONSOR B. Sanchez LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Technical Corrections To 2007 Laws SB 257

ANALYST Propst

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Public Education Department (PED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 257, Making Technical Corrections to the Enrolled and Engrossed Copies of Certain 2007 Laws; Conforming the Law Relating to the Hospitality Fee Proceeds to the Actions of the Legislature, aligns 22-8B-10 of the Charter Schools Act with 22-5-6 pertaining to hiring authority and the relationship between local school boards (Governing Councils) and the district superintendent (Head Administrator). SB 257 also amends language added to 22-8B-10 in Senate Bill 600 (47th Legislature, Regular Session; Laws of 2006, Chapt, 94, Sec. 37) relative to avoiding nepotism in hiring. The bill was passed by the 2007 Legislature but was enrolled and engrossed incorrectly. This bill would restore the language of the legislation passed in 2007.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Senate Bill 257 would enact 1% “hospitality” fee on gross rent of accommodations to be used for equipping and furnishing municipal convention centers and to purchase advertising for promotion of tourism related facilities within the municipality area. This bill would amend

existing bill that allows charter schools to hire their own employees to allow the head administrator of the charter school to employ, fix the salaries, assign, terminate and discharge all employees of the charter school.

According to PED, the bill would make the hiring practices of charter schools align with current hiring practices of school districts, by requiring all decisions to hire, fix salaries, assign, terminate or discharge employees of a charter school to be made by that school's head administrator. The head administrator could not initially employ in any capacity certain enumerated relatives of the head administrator or governing body. However, the bill would give the governing body the authority to waive prohibited employment of relatives of the head administrator just as current law allows a local board that waiver as to a district superintendent.

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