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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITL	Æ .	Mountainair After-School Learning Center	SB				
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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)							

Appropr	iation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected	
FY09	FY10			
	\$225.0	Recurring	General Fund	

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

# ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY09	FY10	FY11	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
Total		\$1.2*			Recurring	General Fund

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# SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From Public Education Department (PED)

### **SUMMARY**

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 483 appropriates \$225.0 thousand from the general fund to the Public Education Department for after school learning centers in the Mountainair public schools.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$225.0 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2010 shall revert to the general fund.

<sup>\*</sup>See PED comments in fiscal Implications below.

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According to the February 2009 revenue estimate, FY10 recurring revenue will only support a base expenditure level that is \$575 million less than the FY09 appropriations before the 2009 solvency reductions. All appropriations outside of the general appropriation act will be viewed in this declining revenue context.

The PED notes it would be required to administer a Request for Information (RFI), and monitor the process of expenditures of the district. This process takes approximately 30 hours of staff time (Educator Administrator-A @ \$25.495/hour X 35 hours plus benefits (30%). Total cost is \$1,160).

### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

#### The PED states:

The Executive request for after-school enrichment programs for FY10 is \$3.3 million. If appropriated, this request could fund 80 to 100 sites across the state. Mountainair would be eligible to apply for these funds.

The 2008 Legislature appropriated approximately \$3.3 million for 1) After School Enrichment Programs and 2) State 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers. The Mountainair school district was not an applicant for either of these two grants. However, the school district did receive \$100,000 through SB 164 for After-School Learning Centers for School Year 2008-2009.

The 2007 Legislature appropriated approximately \$2.6 million for 1) Before- and After-School Physical Activity and Nutrition and 2) After-School Enrichment Programs. The Mountainair school district was not an applicant for either of these two grants.

After-school programs empower youth to overcome challenges that they face in their home, school or community environments and help them develop resilience to reach their full potential. They provide increased opportunities for children to learn lifelong skills remain physically active and improve their nutrition choices. Moreover, after-school programs can serve as effective alternatives to reducing child hunger.

After-school programs could produce connections with individuals or activities that are healthy and supportive of positive growth and development of life skills. Those who attend programs that emphasize healthy relationships and behaviors are less likely to engage in risk-related relationships and behaviors.

After-school programs can produce excellent economic returns by reducing dollars spent on school failure, crime and health care costs. The annual costs of juvenile crime are in the billions if one considers the number of juvenile delinquents that enter a life of crime. In addition, children and youths have become increasingly inactive and overweight. The health implications of this trend are long term and extremely costly.

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