LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No: *HB 33 49th Legislature, 1st Special Session, 2009

Short Title: School District Flexibility and Insurance

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Bill Summary:

HB 24 appropriates funds from the Public School Capital Outlay Fund (PSCOF) to the New Mexico Public School Insurance Authority (NMPSIA) for expenditure in FY 2010 for the purpose of reimbursing or paying property insurance premiums on behalf of school districts and charter schools.

The bill requires that, of the appropriation, NMPSIA distribute to the Albuquerque Public Schools (APS) the amount necessary to reimburse or pay up to \$7.0 million dollars for property insurance coverage in FY 2010.

HB 24 contains an emergency clause.

Fiscal Impact:

HB 33 appropriates \$29.0 million from the PSCOF to NMPSIA for expenditure in FY 2010.

Up to \$7.0 million of this appropriation shall be distributed to APS; and any unexpended or unencumbered balance at the end of FY 2010 shall revert to the PSCOF.

Issues:

NMPSIA reports that the property insurance premiums for its member school districts and charter schools total approximately \$22 million.

According to APS, its property insurance premiums for school year 2009-2010 total approximately \$7 million.

NMPSIA has indicated that its staff will be able to absorb the additional workload associated with HB 33.

Related Bills:

SB 24a - School District Flexibility and Insurance