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2	43rd LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998					
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10	AN ACT					
11	RELATING TO EDUCATION; CREATING ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS FOR					
12	STUDENTS AT RISK OF DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL; MAKING AN					
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15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:					
16	Section 1. A new section of the Public School Code is					
17	enacted to read:					
18	"[<u>NEW MATERIAL</u>] EDUCATIONAL SERVICESDROPOUT					
19	STUDENTSPILOT PROJECT					
20	A. The department of education shall operate a					
21	pilot program in the Albuquerque public schools, Santa Fe					
22	public schools and Las Cruces public schools to provide					
23	educational services to dropout students. The pilot program					
24	shall run until December 31, 2001. The department of					
25	education shall enter into joint powers agreements with					
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1 governmental entities including the New Mexico youth 2 conservation corps created pursuant to the New Mexico Youth Conservation Corps Act, a school district or a charter school 3 4 authorized pursuant to the Charter Schools Act to provide educational services for students at risk of dropping out of 5 The governmental entities shall recruit students at 6 school. 7 risk of dropping out of school and provide to them the basic 8 educational services defined pursuant to Section 22-2-8.3 NMSA 9 1978. The governmental entities may hire employees who are 10 not certified by the state board of education to work with 11 students at risk of dropping out of school.

B. Students at risk of dropping out of school shall be held to the graduation requirements set out in section 22-2-8.4 of the NMSA 1978.

C. Governmental entities shall be evaluated by criteria that include academic achievement, retention, student attendance and the number of students who pass the New Mexico high school competency exam.

D. Governmental entities may contract for services including transportation, emergency medical services, food services and security necessary to provide educational services to students at risk of dropping out of school.

E. Charter schools founded to address the needs of at-risk students shall not operate on the same site with another public school."

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1	Section 2. APPROPRIATIONTwo million dollars						
2	(\$2,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the						
3	state department of public education for expenditure in fiscal						
4	year 1999 for the purpose of funding the educational services						
5	for dropout students pilot program. Any unexpended or						
6	unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 1999						
7	shall revert to the general fund.						
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8	Mr. President:					
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14	has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation					
15	that it DO PASS , amended as follows:					
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18	APPROPRIATION".					
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20	2. On page 2, between lines 11 and 12, insert:					
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22	"B. A participating school district shall transfer a pro-					
23	rated share of the floating unit value for the period of time that					
24	the student attends a school participating in the pilot program.".					
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