SENATE BILL 158

44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999

INTRODUCED BY

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE; AMENDING AND ENACTING SECTIONS OF THE NMSA 1978 PERTAINING TO PROGRAM COST CALCULATIONS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. Section 22-8-18 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1974, Chapter 8, Section 8, as amended) is amended to read:

"22-8-18. PROGRAM COST CALCULATION--LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD RESPONSIBILITY.--

A. The total program units for the purpose of computing the program cost shall be calculated by multiplying the sum of the program units itemized as Paragraphs (1) through (4) [in] of this subsection by the instruction staff training and experience index and adding the program units itemized as Paragraphs (5) through [(8) in] (9) of this

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1   subsection.   The itemized program units are as follows:

2   (1)   early childhood education;

3   (2)   basic education;

4   (3)   special education, adjusted by

5   subtracting the units derived from membership in class D

6   special education programs in private, nonsectarian, nonprofit

7   training centers;

8   (4)   bilingual multicultural education;

9   (5)   size adjustment;

10   (6)   at-risk program;

11   (7)   enrollment growth or new district

12   adjustment; [and]

13   (8)   special education units derived from

14   membership in class D special education programs in private,

15   nonsectarian, nonprofit training centers; and

16   (9)   teaching standards certification.

17   B.   The total program cost calculated as prescribed

18   in Subsection A of this section includes the cost of early

19   childhood, special, bilingual multicultural and vocational

20   education and other remedial or enrichment programs.   It is

21   the responsibility of the local school board to determine its

22   priorities in terms of the needs of the community served by

23   that board.   Funds generated under the Public School Finance

24   Act are discretionary to local school boards [provided that]

25   if the special program needs as enumerated in this section are

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1   met."

2   Section 2.   A new section of the Public School Finance

3   Act, Section 22-8-23.4 NMSA 1978, is enacted to read:

4   "22-8-23.4.   [NEW MATERIAL] NATIONAL BOARD FOR

5   PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS--CERTIFIED TEACHERS PROGRAM

6   UNITS.--The number of program units for teachers certified by

7   the national board for professional teaching standards is

8   determined by multiplying the number of certified school

9   instructors employed by the school district and verified by

10 the department who are certified by the national board for

11 professional teaching standards by three.   Department approval

12 of these units shall be contingent on certification by the

13 school district that the teachers who are certified by the

14 national board for professional teaching standards are

15 receiving a one-time salary differential during the year in

16 which the school district will receive these units equal to or

17 greater than the amount generated by the units multiplied by

18 the program unit value."

19   Section 3.   APPROPRIATION.--Five hundred eleven thousand

20 dollars ($511,000) is appropriated from the general fund to

21 the state department of public education for expenditure in

22 fiscal year 2000 to provide teachers who are certified by the

23 national board for professional teaching standards with a one-

24 time salary increase.   Any unexpended or unencumbered balance

25 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2000 shall revert to the

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1   general fund.

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Mr. President:

Your **EDUCATION COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with

recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

1. On page 2, line 16, after "(9)" insert "national board
for professional".

2. On page 3, line 6, after the dash strike the remainder
of the line, strike all of lines 7 through 18 and insert in lieu
thereof:

"The number of program units for teachers certified by the

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4   national board for professional teaching standards is determined

5   by multiplying by three the number of such certified instructors

6   employed by the school district on or before the fortieth day of

7   the school year and verified by the department. Department

8   approval of these units shall be contingent on verification by

9   the school district that these teachers are receiving a one-time

10   salary differential equal to or greater than the amount

11   generated by the units multiplied by the program unit value

12   during the fiscal year in which the school district will receive

13   these units."",

14   and thence referred to the **FINANCE COMMITTEE**.

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17   Respectfully submitted,

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22   Cynthia Nava, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

No: 0

Excused: Adair, Duran, Gorham, Lopez

Absent: None

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