

**LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE
BILL ANALYSIS**

Bill No: HB 351

48th Legislature, 2nd Session, 2008

Short Title: Bernalillo County Educational Services

Sponsor(s): Representatives Janice E. Arnold-Jones, Sheryl Williams Stapleton, and Others

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Bill Summary:

HB 351 appropriates funds to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration to contract for the provision of an array of educational programs in Bernalillo County, including college entrance examination preparation, after-school tutoring, summer educational enrichment opportunities, and adult computer literacy.

Fiscal Impact:

\$255,000 is appropriated from the General Fund for expenditure in FY 09. This bill contains a reversion clause.

Issues:

According to the Public Education Department (PED) analysis, HB 351 would provide funding for a variety of educational programs in Bernalillo County, including programs for:

- students to take college entrance exams;
- after-school tutoring to help students who are falling short of academic proficiency or to keep students at grade level;
- summer educational enrichment opportunities for students who are gifted or ahead of grade level; and
- parents to participate in computer training to enable them to be more involved with their children's school work.

The House Appropriations and Finance Committee Substitute for HB 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 10 appropriates \$3.5 million from the General Fund to PED for the after-school enrichment program, including \$1.8 million for 21st Century Community Learning Centers statewide.

Two related bills, noted below, appropriate funds to PED for 21st Century Learning Centers in the South Valley of Bernalillo County and after-school enrichment programs in the South Valley of Albuquerque.

Related Bills:

HB 427 *21st Century Center After-School Programs*
SB 481 *South Valley After-School Programs*