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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Stewart DATE TYPED: 02/08/01 HB 75  
 SHORT TITLE: Alternative School Size Adjustment SB \_\_\_\_\_  
 ANALYST: Segura

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
	\$ 6,900.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

State Department of Education (SDE)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 75 amends Section 22-8-23 of the Public School Finance Act to allow alternative schools to generate size adjustment program units.

#### Significant Issues

House Bill 75 would allow SDE approved alternative schools with a MEM of less than 400 to generate Elementary-Junior High size units and Senior High size units.

Alternative programs within a traditional school would not be eligible for size adjustment units.

According to SDE, MEM is the school membership including early childhood education full-time-equivalent membership, but excluding membership in class C and D programs and excluding full-time-equivalent membership in 3-year and 4 year old developmentally disabled programs.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

House Bill 75 appropriates \$6,900.0 from the general fund and would be recurring. The appropriation is based on the 2000-2001, 40<sup>th</sup> day membership and unit value.

As of January 29, 2001, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction increased the unit value from \$2,632.32 to \$2,647.56. The appropriation included in the bill would have to be adjusted to reflect the new unit value.

**ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

None to SDE.

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

According to SDE, if House Bill 75 is not enacted alternative schools will continue to be excluded from generating size adjustment units.

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