AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL BUDGET REQUESTS; CHANGING THE DATE BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS ARE DUE.

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

 Section 1. Section 22-8-12.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws

 1978, Chapter 128, Section 5, as amended) is amended to read:

 "22-8-12.1. MEMBERSHIP PROJECTIONS AND BUDGET

 REQUESTS.--
- A. Each local school board shall submit annually, on or before October 15, 2005 and on or before September 30, 2006 and subsequent years to the department:
- (1) an estimate for the succeeding fiscal
 year of:
- (a) the membership of qualified students to be enrolled in the basic program;
- (b) the full-time-equivalent membership of students to be enrolled in approved early childhood education programs; and
- (c) the membership of students to be enrolled in approved special education programs;
- (2) all other information necessary to calculate program costs; and
- (3) any other information related to the financial needs of the school district as may be requested by $$\,^{\circ}$HB 873$$ Page 1

the department.

- B. All information requested pursuant to Subsection A of this section shall be submitted on forms prescribed and furnished by the department and shall comply with the department's rules and procedures.
 - C. The department shall:
- (1) review the financial needs of each school district for the succeeding fiscal year; and
- (2) submit annually, on or before October 15, to the secretary of finance and administration the recommendations of the department for:
- (a) amendments to the public school finance formula;
- (b) appropriations for the succeeding fiscal year to the public school fund for inclusion in the executive budget document; and
- (c) appropriations for the succeeding fiscal year for pupil transportation and instructional materials."