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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Miera ORIGINAL DATE 1/21/06
LAST UPDATED 1/25/06 HB 209

SHORT TITLE Post-Secondary School Enlace Programs SB

ANALYST Earp

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$1,200.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates: Senate Bill 36

Relates to: Senate Bill 35 and House Bill 169

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Higher Education Department (HED)
NMSU – Southern NM ENLACE

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 209, sponsored by Representative Miera for the Legislative Education Study Committee, appropriates a total of \$1,200,000 from the general fund to support Engaging Latino Communities for Education (ENLACE) programs at the University of New Mexico, New Mexico State University and Santa Fe Community College. An appropriation of \$400,000 is made to each institution for this purpose.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriations totaling \$1,200,000 contained in this bill are recurring expenses to the

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general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

A total of \$807,500 was appropriated for ENLACE programs in Chapter 34, Laws of 2005 (Senate Bill 190.) Some \$712,500 of this total was appropriated to the Higher Education Department (HED) for distribution to UNM, NMSU and SFCC. The remaining \$95,000 was appropriated directly to UNM. The Legislative Finance Committee funding recommendation for fiscal year 2007 has included these amounts as a component of block-grant appropriations to HED and UNM for special project expansion. The Executive also recommends continued funding of these programs as separate line-item appropriations. Therefore, approval of the appropriations in this bill would result in the augmentation of the fiscal year 2007 funding proposed for HB 2.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The appropriations contained in this bill are intended to help sustain the three New Mexico ENLACE partnerships established through W.K. Kellogg Foundation grants as briefly described below. The implementation grants ended with the 2004-05 fiscal year.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

Senate Bill 36 and House Bill 209 are duplicate measures.

This bill relates to Senate Bill 35 and House Bill169. These are duplicate bills that propose funding in the amount of \$300,000 specifically for the NMSU ENLACE partnership.

This bill also relates to proposed line-item appropriations in the General Appropriation Act for ENLACE programs as noted in the fiscal implications section of this report.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

ENLACE is a multi-year initiative to strengthen the educational pipeline and increase opportunities for Latinos to enter and complete college. By 2007, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation is expected to invest more that \$35 million in the ENLACE initiative. The three New Mexico ENLACE partnerships are among 13 that have been established in seven states.

ENLACE has evolved in three phases. In Phase 1, eighteen higher education institutions received one-year planning grants of \$100,000 to respond to the needs of students and families by developing action plans based on best practices as well as local contexts. For Phase II, thirteen partnerships received grants ranging from \$1.4 million to \$2 million to implement their plans over four years. Implementation funding ended with the 2004-05 school year. A third phase will seek to sustain promising practices and ENLACE principles for the benefit of more Latino communities and underserved student populations.

This legislation would provide state general fund support to replace the Kellogg funding for the three ENLACE partnerships in New Mexico.

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