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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE	<u>Roswell-Area Early College High School Study</u>					SB	<u></u>
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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SUMMARY

Synopsis of HEC Amendment

The House Education Committee amendment adds the Loving Municipal Schools as participants to the study.

Synopsis of House Memorial 19

House Memorial 19 requests that Eastern New Mexico University at Roswell, Hagerman municipal schools, Dexter Consolidated Schools and Lake Arthur Municipal Schools study the feasibility and effectiveness of an early college high school initiative. The results of the study are to be presented to the Legislative Education Study Committee (LESC) by September of 2006. Copies of this memorial are to be transmitted to each of the entities involved in the study.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

HM 19 contain no appropriation. Presumably, expenses for conduct of the study will be borne by the school districts involved and the Roswell Branch of Eastern New Mexico University.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Support information for the memorial cites the lack of preparedness for success in a university environment of certain groups of students. According to data in the e memorial, first generation college students are nearly twice as likely not to complete college as those students with college-educated parents, and lower-income students are seven times more likely not to complete a bachelor's degree than upper-income students. For these and other related reasons and to ensure that students from the area succeed at the post-secondary level, the memorial urges that the school districts affected study the feasibility and effectiveness of an early college high school initiative; develop a survey of staff, students, parents and community members to gauge expectations, satisfaction and local needs; monitor curricula to ensure high academic standards, alignment and effectiveness of instruction; and evaluate current curricula to ensure adequate preparation of middle and high school students for participation in an early college high school initiative.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The school districts mentioned in the study will have to conduct or contract with some entity to carry out the provisions of the memorial.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The study may not be conducted.

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