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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	San	chez, B	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	1/29/06	НВ	
SHORT TITI	LE.	Enlace Program			SB	147
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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	riation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$1,400.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates: Senate Bill 418

Relates to: Senate Bills 35 and 36; House Bills 169 and 209 Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Public Education Department (PED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 147 appropriates \$1,400,000 from the general fund to the Public Education Department (PED) to support the Engaging Latino Communities for Education (ENLACE) program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$1,400,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The legislature is considering multiple proposals to fund ENLACE programs at both the secondary and post-secondary level. Some funding for this program is also included in the General

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Appropriation Act.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

PED reports that ENLACE is not exempt from competitive procurement procedures and, therefore, PED would have to issue a Request for Proposal for these funds. PED would be required to administer the RFP process and write and monitor a contract with ENLACE. PED states that this process takes approximately 200 hours of staff time (Educator Administrator-A @ \$25.49/hour X 200 hours plus benefits @ 30%). The total administrative cost is estimated at \$6,600.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

Senate Bill 147 and Senate Bill 418 are duplicate measures.

This bill is related to Senate Bills 35 and 36 and House Bills 169 and 209, all of which appropriate funds to higher education institutions for ENLACE programs. The General Appropriation Act also includes base funding for ENLACE programs at higher education institutions.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

PED suggests that the bill should be amended on line 17 to allow the funds to be expended for "ENLACE *type* programs.

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 for ENLACE programs within New Mexico public schools.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

How many school districts might receive funding for ENLACE programs through the RFP process proposed by PED?

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