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HOUSE BILL 317

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2007

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AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS; REQUIRING HIGH SCHOOLS TO OFFER AT
LEAST ONE ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSE; CREATING AN ADVANCED
PLACEMENT ADVISORY BOARD; PROVIDING DUTIES; CREATING A FUND;
PROVIDING FOR AN ALLOCATION TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. A new section of the Public School Code is
enacted to read:

"NEW MATERIAL] ADVANCED PLACEMENT ADVISORY BOARD--
APPOINTMENT--DUTIES.--

A. The secretary shall appoint an "advanced
placement advisory board" composed of advanced placement
teachers, pre-advanced placement teachers and school
administrators from around the state. The secretary shall

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1 include teachers and administrators from the largest school
2 district as well as from other large, middle, small and rural
3 school districts and charter schools. Subject to availability
4 of funding, members may receive per diem and mileage but shall
5 receive no other compensation, perquisite or allowance.

6 B. The advanced placement advisory board shall
7 advise the department on the best use of advanced placement
8 funding to support teachers and the classroom, including
9 recommendations for:

10 (1) curricula for the advanced placement
11 summer institute;

12 (2) other professional development programs
13 that would benefit advanced placement and pre-advanced
14 placement teachers; and

15 (3) professional development providers."

16 Section 2. A new section of the Public School Finance Act
17 is enacted to read:

18 "[NEW MATERIAL] ADVANCED PLACEMENT FUND--ALLOCATIONS.--

19 A. The "advanced placement fund" is created as a
20 nonreverting fund in the state treasury. The fund consists of
21 state and federal appropriations for advanced placement and
22 gifts, grants and donations to the fund. The fund shall be
23 administered by the department, and money in the fund is
24 appropriated to the department to carry out the purposes of the
25 fund. Expenditures from the fund shall be on warrant of the

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1 secretary of finance and administration based on vouchers
2 signed by the secretary of public education or the secretary's
3 authorized representative.

4 B. Money in the advanced placement fund shall be
5 used to:

6 (1) support the advanced placement summer
7 institute, which shall be free to New Mexico teachers; and

8 (2) allocate money to public schools as
9 provided in Subsection C of this section.

10 C. Each school district and charter school shall
11 receive fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each advanced placement
12 student score of 3, 4 or 5. Money received from this
13 distribution shall be used only to enhance a school district's
14 or charter school's advanced placement program, including
15 professional development."

16 Section 3. A new section of Chapter 22, Article 13 NMSA
17 1978 is enacted to read:

18 "[NEW MATERIAL] ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES REQUIRED.--Each
19 high school in New Mexico shall offer at least one advanced
20 placement course. The course may be offered through an
21 approved distance learning advanced placement course."

22 Section 4. APPROPRIATION.--Two million dollars
23 (\$2,000,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the
24 advanced placement fund for expenditure in fiscal year 2008 and
25 subsequent fiscal years to carry out the purposes of the fund.

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1 Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of
2 a fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund.

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