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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/31/2007

SPONSOR Saavedra LAST UPDATED _____ HB 217

SHORT TITLE Los Lunas College Readiness Initiative SB _____

ANALYST Aguilar

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$650.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates SB-234
Relates to HB 3, HB 68, HB 584, SB 211

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Public Education Department (PED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 217 appropriates \$650 thousand from the general fund to the Public Education Department for a college readiness and high school redesign initiative in the Los Lunas school district.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$650 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2008 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Public Education Department reports that the Los Lunas Schools conducted an educational audit using independent educational consultants. The result was a report which served as the foundation for a community-wide High School Summit of 200-plus community participants.

This Summit yielded 13 recommendations, most of which were incorporated in the district's Rapid Response Partnership with *Education Trust* to undertake major reform in its secondary schools. The focus areas for reform involve capacity building in classroom teaching, instructional leadership, counseling and parental and community engagement. The funding is planned for the initial infusion costs, plus sustained follow-up training costs. One key feature will be the provision for instructional coaches in the district's two high schools and two middle schools.

The LESC and the executive included funding for a high school redesign initiative in their recommendations.

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