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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/15/07

SPONSOR Youngberg LAST UPDATED _____ HM 7

SHORT TITLE Ancient Macedonians and Hellenes SB _____

ANALYST Guambaña

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Memorial 7 requests that the ancient Macedonians be recognized as Hellenes and that the inhabitants of the northern province of Greece, Macedonia be recognized as their Hellenic descendants. It is additionally requested that a copy of this memorial be transmitted to the Pan-Macedonian association.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

- Philip of Macedonia, his son, Alexander the Great, and Alexander's tutor, Aristotle, were born and raised in the northern province of Greece, Macedonia; and
- The language and culture of the ancient Macedonians, the ancestors of the inhabitants of northern Greece of today, were Hellenic;
- The Macedonians, like the rest of the Hellenes in antiquity, believed in the twelve gods of Olympus and participated with their fellow Hellenes in the Olympic games;
- Pella, the palace where Alexander the Great was born, and Vergina, the burial site of the Macedonian kings, are all located in northern Greece; and
- The history of ancient Macedonia has been Hellenic for the last three thousand years and continues to be today.

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