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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Campos	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	2/13/2007 HB	
SHORT TITL	LE Las Vegas Family	Partnership School	SB	746
			ANALYST	Aguilar

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$450.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates HB-410

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Public Education Department (PED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 410 appropriates \$450 thousand from the general fund to the public education department for the purpose of replacing class-size adjustment funding for the family partnership school.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$450 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.

As an alternative school, the Las Vegas Family Partnership is not eligible for school-size adjustment funding yet has received the funding for the past few years. PED, in an audit, noted the error in funding and for FY07 did not include it in the SEG distribution to the West Las Vegas School District. The school has complained that it needs the funding to continue

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operation and will request emergency funding for FY07. This appropriation is for the FY08 school year and is intended to replace this funding.

The LFC remains concerned with funding initiatives outside of the funding formula as it tends to disequalize school funding and diverts funding away from core educational needs.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Distributions from the SEG are made based on units generated by a district and funding outside of the formula tends to disequalize funding for other districts. The school district has the option of reclassifying the school or having it chartered in order to qualify for the small-school units. PED has notified the district of this option, yet the district has chosen not to take the actions necessary.

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