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# FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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# ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY19	FY20	FY21	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		No fiscal				

Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases

#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
New Mexico Attorney General (NMAG)

No Response Received
Public Education Department (PED)

## **SUMMARY**

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 181 amends Section 22-8B-2 NMSA 1978, to provide enrollment preference to students who live within the attendance area of a conversion charter school not only during the year the school converted to a charter school but also in subsequent years.

# FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal impact.

## **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

Section 22-8B-2.D NMSA 1978 defines a "conversion charter school" as an existing public school within a school district that was authorized by a local school board to become a charter school prior to July 1, 2007.

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According to HB 181 in the years after the initial year of operation, 'conversion charter schools' shall give enrollment preference to:

- students who had been admitted to the charter school through an appropriate admission process and remain in attendance through subsequent grades;
- siblings of students already admitted to or attending the same charter school; and
- students who reside within the boundaries of the attendance area for the public school that existed at the time of conversion.

Currently, "conversion charter schools" <u>do not</u> give preference to students who reside within the boundaries of the attendance area for the public school that existed at the time of conversion. "Conversion charter schools" and "start-up charter schools" give preference to students who had been admitted through the admission process and remain in attendance through subsequent grades and to siblings of students already admitted.

# **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

HB 181 is silent regarding whether the specified criteria are to be weighted.

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