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SENATE BILL 940

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

CISCO MCSORLEY

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AN EDUCATIONAL RESTRUCTURING PROGRAM
INVOLVING PARENTS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS.

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

Section 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM --

A. The state department of public education shall establish and administer a program focusing on school restructuring to improve student achievement and to help schools identify and train parents and community leaders who will hold the school accountable for achieving high academic standards.

B. A school may apply for funding of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the program if the school demonstrates a commitment to restricting educational practices and conditions at the school by entering into a partnership with:

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- 1 (1) school staff;
 - 2 (2) parents of school students;
 - 3 (3) community and business leaders; and
 - 4 (4) a nonprofit, community-based organization
- 5 having a demonstrated ability to train, develop and organize
6 parents and community leaders into a large, nonpartisan
7 constituency that will hold the school administration
8 accountable for achieving educational objectives.

9 C. No more than one-half of the appropriation made
10 in Section 2 of this act may be used to implement strategies
11 developed by participants who have designed student learning
12 experiences outside of the regular school day.

13 Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- One hundred thousand dollars
14 (\$100,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the state
15 department of public education for expenditure in fiscal year
16 1998 for the purpose of creating a program whose focus is the
17 improvement of student academic achievement through
18 participation of school staff, parents of students, community
19 and business leaders and nonprofit organizations having a
20 demonstrated capacity to organize, develop and train
21 participants. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining
22 at the end fiscal year 1998 shall revert to the general fund.

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Mr. President:

Your EDUCATION COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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has had it under consideration and reports same with
recommendation that it DO PASS, amended as follows:

1. On page 1, line 23, strike the word "restricting" and
insert in lieu thereof the word "restructuring".,
and thence referred to the FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Nava, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 7 For 1 Against

Yes: 7

No: Rawson

Excused: Duran, Garcia

Absent: None

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