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SENATE BILL 146

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 1998

INTRODUCED BY

RICHARD M ROMERO

AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; CREATING ALTERNATIVE PROGRAMS FOR
STUDENTS AT RISK OF DROPPING OUT OF SCHOOL; MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION.

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

Section 1. A new section of the Public School Code is
enacted to read:

" NEW MATERIAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES-- DROPOUT
STUDENTS-- PILOT PROJECT. --

A. The department of education shall operate a
pilot program in the Albuquerque public schools, Santa Fe
public schools and Las Cruces public schools to provide
educational services to dropout students. The pilot program
shall run until December 31, 2001. The department of
education shall enter into joint powers agreements with

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1 governmental entities including the New Mexico youth
2 conservation corps created pursuant to the New Mexico Youth
3 Conservation Corps Act, a school district or a charter school
4 authorized pursuant to the Charter Schools Act to provide
5 educational services for students at risk of dropping out of
6 school. The governmental entities shall recruit students at
7 risk of dropping out of school and provide to them the basic
8 educational services defined pursuant to Section 22-2-8.3 NMSA
9 1978. The governmental entities may hire employees who are
10 not certified by the state board of education to work with
11 students at risk of dropping out of school.

12 B. Students at risk of dropping out of school
13 shall be held to the graduation requirements set out in
14 section 22-2-8.4 of the NMSA 1978.

15 C. Governmental entities shall be evaluated by
16 criteria that include academic achievement, retention, student
17 attendance and the number of students who pass the New Mexico
18 high school competency exam.

19 D. Governmental entities may contract for services
20 including transportation, emergency medical services, food
21 services and security necessary to provide educational
22 services to students at risk of dropping out of school.

23 E. Charter schools founded to address the needs of
24 at-risk students shall not operate on the same site with
25 another public school. "

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8 Mr. President:

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10 Your COMMITTEES' COMMITTEE, to whom has been referred

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14 has had it under consideration and finds same to be GERMANE, in
15 accordance with constitutional provisions, and thence referred to the
16 EDUCATION COMMITTEE.
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19 Respectfully submitted,

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25 Manny M. Aragon, Chairman

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February 11, 1998

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, lines 12 and 13, strike "; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION".

2. On page 2, between lines 11 and 12, insert:

"B. A participating school district shall transfer a prorated share of the floating unit value for the period of time that the student attends a school participating in the pilot program."

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3. Reletter the succeeding subsections.

4. On page 3, strike Section 2.,

and thence referred to the FINANCE COMMITTEE.

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Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Nava, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 5 For 2 Against

Yes: 5

No: Lopez, Nava

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Excused: Duran, Garcia, Gorham

Absent: None

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