

State Equalization Guarantee Computation

<u>Grade Level/Program Membership</u>		<u>Times</u>	<u>Cost Differential = Units</u>	
Kindergarten & 3- and 4-Year-Old DD	FTE	×	1.44	S U M
Grade 1	MEM	×	1.20	
Grades 2-3	MEM	×	1.18	
Grades 4-6	MEM	×	1.045	
Grades 7-12	MEM	×	1.25	
Special Education				
Related Services (Ancillary)	FTE	×	25.00	O
A/B Level Service Add-on	MEM	×	0.70	F
C Level Service Add-on	MEM	×	1.00	U N I T S
D Level Service Add-on	MEM	×	2.00	
3- and 4-Year-Old DD Program Add-on	MEM	×	2.00	
Bilingual Education				
	FTE	×	0.50	
Fine Arts Education				
	FTE	×	0.05	
Elementary Physical Education				
	FTE	×	0.06	

= TOTAL PROGRAM UNITS

T&E INDEX MULTIPLIER → Times Value from 1.000 - 1.500

= ADJUSTED PROGRAM UNITS

Plus

D-Level NPTC Special Education Units
 Size Units (Elementary/Junior High; Senior High;
 District; Rural Isolation)
 New District Adjustment Units
 At-Risk Units
 Enrollment Growth Units
 National Board for
 Professional Teaching Standards Units
 Charter School Activities Units
 Home School Student Activities Units

= TOTAL UNITS

Plus Save Harmless Units

= GRAND TOTAL UNITS

Grand Total Units × Unit Value = Program Cost

- 75% Noncategorical Revenue Credits

- Excess Cash Balance

- Utility Conservation Program Contract Payments

- 90% of the Certified Amount (*Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Bonding Act*)

= STATE EQUALIZATION GUARANTEE

Proposed Funding Formula

Base Per-Student Cost

- × Poverty Adjustment (Free and Reduced Lunch)
- × English Learner Adjustment
- × Special Education Adjustment (Census-based)
- × Mobility Adjustment
- × Share 6-8 Enrollment Adjustment
- × Share 9-12 Enrollment Adjustment
- × Scale (Total District Enrollment) Adjustment
- × Adjusted Index of Staff Qualifications (Not less than 1.000)

= Sufficient Per-Student Cost

Sufficient Per-Student Cost × Total District Enrollment = Sufficient Total Program Cost

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HOUSE BILL 241 MOCK-UP

48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008

MOCK-UP

AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS; PROVIDING A NEW PUBLIC SCHOOL
FUNDING FORMULA; PROVIDING FOR MAINTENANCE AND PERIODIC
RECALIBRATION OF THE FORMULA; REQUIRING ACCOUNTABILITY; USING A
CENSUS-BASED SPECIAL EDUCATION IDENTIFICATION RATE FOR SCHOOL
DISTRICTS; CLARIFYING FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR SPECIAL
EDUCATION; CREATING A FUND; CHANGING REPORTING TIMES TO
SPECIFIED DATES; RECONCILING MULTIPLE AMENDMENTS TO THE SAME
SECTIONS OF LAW IN A SINGLE YEAR; AMENDING, REPEALING, ENACTING
AND RECOMPILING SECTIONS OF THE NMSA 1978.

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] PURPOSE OF 2008 EDUCATION REFORM.--

A. The legislature finds that education reform in

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1 New Mexico has been a multiyear process that began in 1999 with
2 the creation of the education initiatives and accountability
3 task force. That task force reported the results of its work
4 to the 2001 legislative session, and the legislature passed a
5 bill that was subsequently vetoed by the governor. In 2003,
6 the legislature again passed the bill, commonly referred to as
7 "House Bill 212", and the governor signed it. That bill
8 enacted the first part of education reform, which was based on
9 the need to attract and retain highly qualified teachers to
10 teach New Mexico's multicultural student population and to hold
11 teachers and administrators accountable for student success.
12 That educational reform recognized the importance of
13 integrating the cultural strengths of New Mexico into the
14 curriculum with high expectations for all students. In 2007,
15 the legislature and governor addressed the need for a rigorous
16 and relevant high school curriculum, as expressed in House Bill
17 212, by enacting what is popularly known as "high school
18 redesign". The goal of that legislation is to prepare students
19 for success in college and the workplace.

20 B. The legislature finds that the next step toward
21 true educational reform was taken in 2005, when the legislature
22 passed, and the governor signed, legislation to appoint a task
23 force of legislators and educators to direct an independent
24 study of the state's funding formula.

25 C. The purpose of this 2008 act is to establish a

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1 new, simplified funding formula for public schools that is
2 based on student need, grade composition and scale of
3 operations for school districts and charter schools. The
4 formula, and the attendant accountability that is provided,
5 strengthen the goals of the overall education reform begun in
6 House Bill 212 and specified in Section 22-1-1.2 NMSA 1978.
7 This 2008 reform links the increased funding that will be
8 provided through the adoption and implementation of the new
9 funding formula to each school district's and charter school's
10 educational plan for student success. The educational plan and
11 the attendant site-specific school plans are the means to
12 enliven statutory provisions such as the Assessment and
13 Accountability Act, kindergarten plus and K-3 plus, high school
14 redesign, the Indian Education Act, the Bilingual Multicultural
15 Education Act, the Fine Arts Education Act, the Mathematics and
16 Science Education Act and other curricula-specific provisions
17 of the Public School Code."

18 Section 2. Section 22-1-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2003,
19 Chapter 153, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

20 "22-1-2. DEFINITIONS.--As used in the Public School Code:

21 A. "academic proficiency" means mastery of the
22 subject-matter knowledge and skills specified in state academic
23 content and performance standards for a student's grade level;

24 B. "adequate yearly progress" means the measure
25 adopted by the department based on federal requirements to

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1 assess the progress that a public school or school district or
2 the state makes toward improving student achievement;

3 C. "cost factor demographic data" means a school
4 district's or charter school's student-need data pertaining to
5 poverty, English language learners, special education and
6 mobility;

7 [D-] D. "commission" means the public education
8 commission;

9 E. "December enrollment" means the total enrollment
10 in a public school or school district on the second Wednesday
11 in December;

12 [D-] F. "department" means the public education
13 department;

14 [~~E. "forty-day report" means the report of~~
15 ~~qualified student membership of each school district and of~~
16 ~~those eligible to be qualified students but enrolled in a~~
17 ~~private school or a home school for the first forty days of~~
18 ~~school;]~~

19 G. "educational plan" means the educational plan
20 for student success of a school district or charter school;

21 H. "February enrollment" means the total enrollment
22 in a public school or school district on the second Wednesday
23 in February;

24 [F-] I. "home school" means the operation by the
25 parent of a school-age person of a home study program of

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1 instruction that provides a basic academic educational program,
2 including reading, language arts, mathematics, social studies
3 and science;

4 ~~[G-]~~ J. "instructional support provider" means a
5 person who is employed to support the instructional program of
6 a school district, including educational assistant, school
7 counselor, social worker, school nurse, speech-language
8 pathologist, psychologist, physical therapist, occupational
9 therapist, recreational therapist, interpreter for the deaf and
10 diagnostician;

11 ~~[H-]~~ K. "licensed school employee" means teachers,
12 school administrators and instructional support providers;

13 ~~[I-]~~ L. "local school board" means the policy-
14 setting body of a school district;

15 ~~[J-]~~ M. "local superintendent" means the chief
16 executive officer of a school district;

17 N. "October enrollment" means the total enrollment
18 in a public school or school district on the second Wednesday
19 in October;

20 ~~[K-]~~ O. "parent" includes a guardian or other
21 person having custody and control of a school-age person;

22 ~~[L-]~~ P. "private school" means a school, other than
23 a home school, that offers on-site programs of instruction and
24 that is not under the control, supervision or management of a
25 local school board;

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1 [M-] Q. "public school" means that part of a school
2 district that is a single attendance center in which
3 instruction is offered by one or more teachers and is
4 discernible as a building or group of buildings generally
5 recognized as either an elementary, middle, junior high or high
6 school or any combination of those and includes a charter
7 school;

8 R. "qualified student" means a public school
9 student who:

10 (1) has not graduated from high school; and

11 (2) is regularly enrolled in one-half or more
12 of the minimum course requirements approved by the department
13 for public school students; and

14 (3) is at least five years of age prior to
15 12:01 a.m. on September 1 of the school year or will be five
16 years of age prior to 12:01 a.m. on September 1 of the school
17 year if the student is enrolled in an extended-year
18 kindergarten program that begins prior to the start of the
19 regular school year; or

20 (4) is at least three years of age at any time
21 during the school year and is receiving special education
22 pursuant to rules of the department; or

23 (5) has not reached the student's twenty-
24 second birthday on the first day of the school year and is
25 receiving special education in accordance with federal law;

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1 ~~[N-]~~ S. "school" means a supervised program of
2 instruction designed to educate a student in a particular
3 place, manner and subject area;

4 ~~[O-]~~ T. "school administrator" means a person
5 licensed to administer in a school district and includes school
6 principals and central district administrators;

7 ~~[P-]~~ U. "school-age person" means a person who is
8 at least five years of age prior to 12:01 a.m. on September 1
9 of the school year and who has not received a high school
10 diploma or its equivalent. A maximum age of twenty-one shall
11 be used for a school-age person who ~~[is classified as]~~ receives
12 special education ~~[membership as defined in Section 22-8-21~~
13 ~~NMSA 1978 or as a resident of a state institution]~~ as provided
14 in Sections 22-13-5, 22-13-7 and 22-13-8 NMSA 1978;

15 ~~[Q-]~~ V. "school building" means a public school, an
16 administration building and related school structures or
17 facilities, including teacher housing, that is owned, acquired
18 or constructed by the school district as necessary to carry out
19 the functions of the school district;

20 ~~[R-]~~ W. "school bus private owner" means a person,
21 other than a school district, the department, the state or any
22 other political subdivision of the state, that owns a school
23 bus;

24 ~~[S-]~~ X. "school district" means an area of land
25 established as a political subdivision of the state for the

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1 administration of public schools and segregated geographically
2 for taxation and bonding purposes;

3 ~~[T.]~~ Y. "school employee" includes licensed and
4 nonlicensed employees of a school district;

5 ~~[U.]~~ Z. "school principal" means the chief
6 instructional leader and administrative head of a public
7 school;

8 ~~[V.]~~ AA. "school year" means the total number of
9 ~~[contract]~~ instructional days offered by public schools in a
10 school district during a period of twelve consecutive months;

11 ~~[W.]~~ BB. "secretary" means the secretary of public
12 education;

13 CC. "special education" means the provision of
14 services additional to, supplementary to or different from
15 those provided in the general school program of a public school
16 to students who are required by the federal Individuals with
17 Disabilities Education Act to have an individualized education
18 program, and including developmentally disabled three- and
19 four-year-old children attending public school;

20 ~~[X.]~~ DD. "state agency" or "state institution"
21 means the New Mexico military institute, New Mexico school for
22 the blind and visually impaired, New Mexico school for the
23 deaf, New Mexico boys' school, girls' welfare home, New Mexico
24 youth diagnostic and development center, Sequoyah adolescent
25 treatment center, Carrie Tingley crippled children's hospital,

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1 New Mexico behavioral health institute at Las Vegas and any
2 other state agency responsible for educating resident children;

3 ~~[Y.]~~ EE. "state educational institution" means an
4 institution enumerated in Article 12, Section 11 of the
5 constitution of New Mexico;

6 FF. "student" means a school-age person who is a
7 public school student;

8 ~~[Z.]~~ GG. "substitute teacher" means a person who
9 holds a certificate to substitute for a teacher in the
10 classroom;

11 ~~[AA.]~~ HH. "teacher" means a person who holds a
12 level one, two or three-A license and whose primary duty is
13 classroom instruction or the supervision, below the school
14 principal level, of an instructional program or whose duties
15 include curriculum development, peer intervention, peer
16 coaching or mentoring or serving as a resource teacher for
17 other teachers;

18 ~~[BB.]~~ II. "certified school instructor" means a
19 teacher or instructional support provider; and

20 ~~[GG.]~~ JJ. "certified school employee" or "certified
21 school personnel" means a licensed school employee."

22 Section 3. Section 22-2-8.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1986,
23 Chapter 33, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

24 "22-2-8.1. LENGTH OF SCHOOL DAY--MINIMUM.--

25 A. Except as otherwise provided in this section,

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1 [regular] general students shall be in school-directed
2 programs, exclusive of lunch, for a minimum of the following:

3 (1) kindergarten, for half-day programs, two
4 and one-half hours per day or four hundred fifty hours per
5 year, ~~[or]~~ and, for full-day programs, five and one-half hours
6 per day or nine hundred ninety hours per year;

7 (2) grades one through six, five and one-half
8 hours per day or nine hundred ninety hours per year; and

9 (3) grades seven through twelve, six hours per
10 day or one thousand eighty hours per year.

11 B. Beginning with the 2011-2012 school year,
12 general students shall be in school-directed programs,
13 exclusive of lunch, for a minimum of the following:

14 (1) kindergarten, for half-day programs, two
15 and one-half hours per day or four hundred sixty-two and one-
16 half hours per year, and, for full-day programs, five and one-
17 half hours per day or one thousand seventeen and one-half hours
18 per year;

19 (2) grades one through six, five and one-half
20 hours per day or one thousand seventeen and one-half hours per
21 year; and

22 (3) grades seven through twelve, six hours per
23 day or one thousand one hundred ten hours per year.

24 ~~[B-]~~ C. Thirty-three hours of the full-day
25 kindergarten program may be used for home visits by the teacher

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1 or for parent-teacher conferences. Twenty-two hours of grades
2 one through five programs may be used for home visits by the
3 teacher or for parent-teacher conferences.

4 ~~[G.]~~ D. Nothing in this section precludes a local
5 school board from setting length of school days in excess of
6 the minimum requirements established by Subsection A or B of
7 this section.

8 ~~[D.]~~ E. The ~~[state superintendent]~~ secretary may
9 waive the minimum length of school days in those districts
10 where such minimums would create undue hardships as defined by
11 the ~~[state board]~~ department."

12 Section 4. A new section of the Assessment and
13 Accountability Act is enacted to read:

14 "[NEW MATERIAL] EDUCATIONAL PLAN FOR STUDENT SUCCESS--
15 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING.--

16 A. As used in this section:

17 (1) "demographic data" means a school
18 district's funding formula cost factor demographic data and any
19 other demographic data or health status data required by the
20 department or collected by the school district for the purposes
21 of determining educational programming and focusing the
22 educational plan;

23 (2) "educational programming" includes
24 curricula; support services, including library and media,
25 school counseling, health services and athletic and activity

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1 programs; and academic improvement strategies, including
2 extended instructional days and year, before- and after-school
3 programs, credit recovery and summer school courses, tutoring
4 and other response to intervention or remediation programs;

5 (3) "local school board" includes governing
6 bodies of charter schools; and

7 (4) "school district" includes charter
8 schools.

9 B. The department shall adopt and promulgate rules
10 to implement the provisions of this section.

11 C. The department shall verify, monitor and
12 evaluate educational plans through the budget approval process
13 and otherwise throughout the year. The department shall ensure
14 that each educational plan is developed and implemented as
15 provided in this section and the rules of the department and
16 that results are evaluated for effectiveness each year.

17 D. Under the policy direction of the local school
18 board, each school district shall:

19 (1) develop, implement and assess a district-
20 level, student-centered "educational plan for student success"
21 as a long-range strategic plan to improve academic achievement
22 and success for all students;

23 (2) use a strategic planning model that is
24 approved by the department; and

25 (3) include the required school plans of

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1 public schools that are part of the school district, excluding
2 charter schools, and ensure that those plans are aligned with
3 the educational plan.

4 E. The chartering authority shall approve a charter
5 school's educational plan based on the plan's alignment with
6 the charter.

7 F. The educational plan shall:

8 (1) be specific, measurable, realistic and
9 attainable and include the school plan of each public school in
10 the school district, excluding charter schools, and specify how
11 each of the school plans shall be evaluated and aligned with
12 the educational plan;

13 (2) solicit the input of school district
14 staff, students, parents, businesses, post-secondary
15 educational institutions, tribal governments within the school
16 district and other interested citizens in the community at
17 large;

18 (3) address the major core issues identified
19 through the public input process;

20 (4) implement the department's standards of
21 excellence, including the content standards and benchmarks, and
22 other programmatic requirements of state and federal law and
23 rules adopted in accordance with those laws;

24 (5) include focus areas and goals that address
25 student needs based on demographic data and student academic

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1 achievement data;

2 (6) identify areas of student need that must
3 be addressed to ensure that students meet the educational
4 benchmarks specified in the state content standards and
5 benchmarks;

6 (7) identify resources to address student
7 needs, including such items as:

8 (a) highly qualified teachers, academic
9 coaches, resource teachers, interventionists, specialists,
10 counselors, educational assistants and other instructional
11 support personnel, and how staffing assignments of these
12 personnel shall be used in a proactive manner to assist
13 students in need of particular services;

14 (b) professional development and time
15 for in-school collaboration for instructional staff;

16 (c) administrative and classroom
17 technology and access to distance learning opportunities for
18 students and staff;

19 (d) parental involvement and outreach
20 initiatives;

21 (e) involvement by post-secondary
22 educational institutions, tribal governments and the business
23 community; and

24 (f) other resources identified by the
25 school district or department;

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1 (8) implement the state and district
2 assessment systems;

3 (9) demonstrate student progress toward the
4 educational plan's focus areas and goals;

5 (10) provide for a comprehensive and periodic
6 evaluation of the educational plan by the school district; and

7 (11) be updated annually and submitted to the
8 department by March 1 or another date determined by the
9 department.

10 G. Each school district shall oversee the
11 development, implementation, assessment and evaluation of all
12 site-level school plans and shall ensure that those plans are
13 aligned with the school district's educational plan.

14 H. School plans shall include:

15 (1) data-based strategies and activities to
16 support each of the school district-level focus areas and
17 goals;

18 (2) identification of persons responsible for
19 the implementation of the strategies and activities;

20 (3) time lines for the start and completion of
21 those strategies and activities;

22 (4) the educational programming targeted to
23 the school's demographic data and student academic achievement;

24 (5) formal and informal professional
25 development activities that support each of the school

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1 district-level focus areas and goals; and

2 (6) availability of school, district,
3 community and family resources that support each of the school
4 district-level focus areas and goals.

5 I. Each public school shall involve school staff,
6 parents and community members in the development and evaluation
7 of the school plan.

8 J. The educational plan shall include the cost
9 factor demographic data of each public school and the school
10 district and shall link educational programming to those and
11 other demographic data and the student academic achievement
12 data reported pursuant to the Assessment and Accountability
13 Act.

14 K. Educational programming shall be assessed
15 through the educational plan. As part of the approval process
16 of the educational plan and the operating budget of a school
17 district, the department shall consider how the school district
18 proposes to address specifically the needs of low-income
19 students, students who are not proficient in English, students
20 whose education is disrupted by mobility, students in need of
21 special education and gifted students.

22 L. Based on the demographic profiles of students,
23 student academic achievement data and the department's
24 standards of excellence, the educational plan shall include
25 educational programming for:

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1 (1) bilingual and multicultural education,
2 including culturally relevant learning environments,
3 educational opportunities and culturally relevant instructional
4 materials;

5 (2) health and wellness, including physical
6 education, athletics, nutrition and health education;

7 (3) career-technical education;

8 (4) visual and performing arts and music;

9 (5) gifted education, advanced placement and
10 honors programs;

11 (6) special education; and

12 (7) distance education.

13 M. The local school board shall approve the
14 educational plan and submit it to the department.

15 N. The secretary shall disapprove an educational
16 plan in whole or in part if it does not meet the requirements
17 of this section or other provisions of the Public School Code.
18 The secretary shall provide the local school board and the
19 school district with a written report that specifies which
20 parts of the educational plan the secretary is disapproving,
21 reasons for the disapproval and suggestions for improvement.
22 The school district has thirty days to submit a revised
23 educational plan, during which time the department shall assist
24 the school district as requested.

25 O. If the local school board does not approve a

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1 revised educational plan or if the department does not
2 recommend approval of the revised educational plan, the
3 secretary shall hold a public hearing within twenty days after
4 the revised educational plan was due.

5 P. The secretary shall appoint (HEC #1) [~~a hearing~~
6 ~~officer~~] *an impartial person* to conduct the public hearing.

7 All parties, including the public, shall be given an
8 opportunity to present their views about the original
9 educational plan and any revisions to that plan. The
10 (HEC #2) [~~hearing officer~~] *impartial person* shall make
11 recommendations to the secretary within ten days of the public
12 hearing. The secretary shall make the final decision (HEC #3)
13 [~~on whether to accept the school district's original plan, the~~
14 ~~revised plan or a department-developed educational plan~~]. The
15 final educational plan shall be aligned with the department-
16 approved operating budget."

17 Section 5. A new section of the Public School Finance Act
18 is enacted to read:

19 "[NEW MATERIAL] 2009 FUNDING FORMULA--FINDINGS AND
20 PURPOSE.--

21 A. The legislature finds that based on a two-year
22 study to determine the best method of funding (HAFC #1) [~~a~~
23 ~~sufficient~~] public education for New Mexico's children, the
24 state, school districts and charter schools would be better
25 served by a new funding formula that incorporates:

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1 (1) a smaller and simplified set of
2 student-needs weighting factors to achieve a more equitable
3 distribution of the state's equalization guarantee;

4 (2) a simplified set of programmatic
5 weights that accounts for (HEC #4) [student] grade level
6 composition for elementary, middle and high school students;
7 and

8 (3) a weighting schedule that accounts
9 separately for the scale of school district and charter school
10 operations.

11 B. The legislature finds further that the 2009
12 funding formula:

13 (1) avoids unnecessary complexity by
14 focusing directly on the factors associated with student needs
15 and scale;

16 (2) appropriately promotes and preserves both
17 vertical and horizontal equity across school districts;

18 (3) minimizes incentives to pursue funding not
19 directly linked to student needs; and

20 (4) captures components in the pre-2009
21 funding formula and is more precise in measuring student need
22 and scale.

23 C. The legislature finds further that the cost
24 factors used in the 2009 funding formula better measure need by
25 addressing special cost differentials associated with students

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1 that have special educational needs as well as particular types
2 of local educational agency. The poverty, English language
3 learner and special education cost factors measure those
4 federally recognized attributes that unambiguously reflect the
5 special educational needs of students. The cost factor for
6 mobility recognizes the significant impact of disruption on
7 students' educational experience. The cost factors for grade
8 level enrollment address the knowledge gained from educational
9 research and experience that educating students becomes more
10 expensive as they progress through the educational system from
11 elementary through secondary school. Total school district or
12 charter school enrollment is included as a cost factor that
13 accounts for relative economies of scale in the delivery of
14 educational services.

15 D. The legislature finds further that the federal
16 No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 requires states to employ
17 highly qualified teachers to teach students in core academic
18 subjects. The federal Individuals with Disabilities Education
19 Act requires highly qualified personnel to provide holistic
20 services for students in need of special education, as well as
21 staff who are qualified to intervene before students are
22 classified as needing special education. To carry out these
23 mandates, and to continue encouraging school districts to hire
24 and retain highly qualified teachers and instructional support
25 providers, the 2009 funding formula replaces the training and

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1 experience index with an index of staff qualifications to
2 provide the means to cover the costs associated with increased
3 academic qualifications and experience for these personnel."

4 Section 6. Section 22-8-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,
5 Chapter 128, Section 3, as amended) is repealed and a new
6 Section 22-8-2 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

7 "22-8-2. [NEW MATERIAL] DEFINITIONS.--As used in the
8 Public School Finance Act:

9 A. "base per-student cost" means the reference
10 value cost of providing an educational program to a qualified
11 student attending the average size district with the average
12 composition of enrollment across grade ranges kindergarten
13 through five, six through eight and nine through twelve and
14 with no formula adjustments applied;

15 B. "cost factor" means a measure of student need,
16 grade level composition, scale of operations or staff
17 qualifications;

18 C. "enrollment" means the number of qualified
19 students on the current roll of a class or public school on a
20 specified day;

21 D. "formula adjustment" means a component of the
22 funding formula that accounts for a differential cost
23 associated with a cost factor;

24 E. "governing body" means the governing body of a
25 charter school;

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1 F. "growth" means that a school district's or
2 charter school's current-year October total enrollment is
3 greater than its prior-year October total enrollment;

4 G. "head administrator" means the person
5 responsible for the day-to-day operations of a charter school;

6 H. "mobility rate" means the district-level
7 student-weighted average percentage of total enrollment that
8 entered or left the school over the school year;

9 I. "operating budget" means the annual financial
10 plan required to be submitted by a local school board or
11 governing body;

12 J. "public money" or "public funds" means all money
13 from public or private sources received by a school district or
14 governing body or officer or employee of a school district or
15 governing body for public use;

16 K. "sufficient per-student cost" means the base
17 per-student cost multiplied by the applicable formula
18 adjustments;

19 L. "total enrollment" means the number of qualified
20 students on a school's or charter school's roll on a specified
21 day in all grade levels and in programs for three- and four-
22 year-old developmentally disabled qualified students; and

23 M. "total program cost" means the sufficient per-
24 student cost multiplied by the number of students in a school
25 district or charter school."

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1 Section 7. A new section of the Public School Finance Act
2 is enacted to read:

3 "[NEW MATERIAL] ESTABLISHMENT OF ENROLLMENT.--The current
4 roll of a class, public school and school district or charter
5 school is established by the addition of original entries and
6 re-entries minus withdrawals. Withdrawals of qualified
7 students, in addition to qualified students formally withdrawn
8 from the public school, include qualified students absent from
9 the public school for as many as ten consecutive school days;
10 provided that withdrawals do not include truants and habitual
11 truants with whom the school district or charter school is
12 required to intervene and keep in an educational setting as
13 provided in Section 22-12-9 NMSA 1978."

14 Section 8. Section 22-8-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
15 Chapter 16, Section 60, as amended by Laws 1999, Chapter 281,
16 Section 21 and by Laws 1999, Chapter 291, Section 2) is amended
17 to read:

18 "22-8-6. BUDGETS--SUBMISSION--FAILURE TO SUBMIT.--
19 A. Prior to April 15 of each year, each local
20 school board shall submit to the department [~~an~~] a proposed
21 operating budget for the school district [~~and any charter~~
22 ~~schools in the district~~] for the ensuing fiscal year. Upon
23 written approval of the [~~state superintendent~~] secretary, the
24 date for the submission of the operating budget as required by
25 this section may be extended to a later date fixed by the

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1 ~~[state superintendent]~~ secretary.

2 B. In order to receive final budget approval, the
3 operating budget must be aligned to the school district's
4 approved educational plan.

5 ~~[B.]~~ C. The proposed operating budget required by
6 this section may include:

7 (1) estimates of the cost of insurance
8 policies for periods up to five years if a lower rate may be
9 obtained by purchasing insurance for the longer term; ~~[or]~~ and

10 (2) estimates of the cost of contracts for the
11 transportation of students for terms extending up to four
12 years.

13 ~~[C. The operating budget required by this section~~
14 ~~shall include a budget for each charter school of the~~
15 ~~membership projected for each charter school, the total program~~
16 ~~units generated at that charter school and approximate~~
17 ~~anticipated disbursements and expenditures at each charter~~
18 ~~school.]~~

19 D. If a local school board fails to submit ~~[a]~~ its
20 budget pursuant to this section, the department shall prepare
21 the operating budget for the school district for the ensuing
22 fiscal year. A local school board shall be considered as
23 failing to submit a budget pursuant to this section if the
24 budget submitted:

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1 the school district [~~or if the budget submitted~~];

2 (2) does not comply with the law or with rules
3 and procedures of the department; or

4 (3) except as provided in Subsection D of
5 Section 22-8-11 NMSA 1978, is not aligned with the school
6 district's approved educational plan."

7 Section 9. Section 22-8-6.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,
8 Chapter 227, Section 8, as amended) is repealed and a new
9 Section 22-8-6.1 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

10 "22-8-6.1. [NEW MATERIAL] CHARTER SCHOOL BUDGETS.--

11 A. Prior to April 15 of each year, the governing
12 body of each state-chartered charter school shall submit its
13 proposed operating budget to the charter schools division of
14 the department for its approval or amendment pursuant to the
15 Public School Finance Act and the Charter Schools Act. In
16 order to receive final budget approval, the proposed budget
17 must be aligned to the school's approved educational plan.

18 B. Prior to April 15 of each year, the governing
19 body of each locally chartered charter school shall submit its
20 proposed operating budget at the same time to the department
21 and the school district that chartered it. In order to be
22 approved, the proposed budget must be aligned to the school's
23 approved educational plan. The budget shall be submitted to
24 the local school board for approval. The approval authority of
25 the local school board is limited to ensuring that sound fiscal

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1 practices are followed in the development of the budget and
2 that the budget is within the allotted resources. The local
3 school board shall have no veto authority over individual line
4 items within the budget, but shall approve or disapprove the
5 budget only in its entirety. The local school board shall
6 notify the department of its approval or disapproval of the
7 budget, including its reasons for disapproval.

8 C. Upon written approval of the secretary, the date
9 for submission of a proposed budget may be extended to a later
10 date fixed by the secretary. If the governing body fails to
11 submit its proposed operating budget pursuant to this section,
12 the department shall prepare the budget for the charter school
13 for the ensuing fiscal year. A governing body shall be
14 considered as failing to submit a budget pursuant to this
15 section if the budget submitted:

16 (1) exceeds the total projected resources of
17 the charter school;

18 (2) does not comply with the law or with rules
19 and procedures of the department; or

20 (3) except as provided in Subsection D of
21 Section 22-8-11 NMSA 1978, is not aligned with the charter
22 school's approved educational plan.

23 D. For the first year of operation, the proposed
24 operating budget of a charter school shall be based on the
25 projected enrollment and cost factor demographic data of that

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1 charter school and the index of staff qualifications of the
2 school district in which the charter school is geographically
3 located. The operating budget shall be adjusted based on the
4 actual October enrollment and cost factor demographic data.
5 For second and subsequent years of operation, the operating
6 budget shall be based on the charter school's own cost factor
7 demographic data and index of staff qualifications."

8 Section 10. Section 22-8-8 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
9 Chapter 16, Section 62, as amended) is amended to read:

10 "22-8-8. BUDGETS--MINIMUM STUDENT [~~MEMBERSHIP~~]
11 ENROLLMENT.--Without prior approval of the [~~state~~
12 ~~superintendent~~] secretary, no local school board or governing
13 body shall maintain or provide a budget allowance for a public
14 school having an [~~average daily membership~~] enrollment of
15 [~~less~~] fewer than eight."

16 Section 11. Section 22-8-9 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
17 Chapter 16, Section 63, as amended) is amended to read:

18 "22-8-9. BUDGETS--MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.--

19 A. A budget for a school district shall not be
20 approved by the department that does not provide for:

21 (1) a school year consisting of at least one
22 hundred eighty full instructional days or the equivalent
23 thereof, exclusive of any release time for in-service training;

24 or

25 (2) a variable school year consisting of a

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1 minimum number of instructional hours established by the [state
2 board] department; and

3 (3) a pupil-teacher ratio or class or teaching
4 load as provided in Section 22-10A-20 NMSA 1978.

5 B. Beginning with the 2011-2012 school year, a
6 budget for a school district shall not be approved by the
7 department that does not provide for a school year consisting
8 of at least one hundred eighty-five full instructional days or
9 the equivalent on a variable calendar. Teachers and
10 instructional support staff shall be paid for at least four
11 days additional to the school year for professional development
12 or instructional planning.

13 [~~B.~~] C. The [~~state board~~] department shall, by
14 rule, establish the requirements for an instructional day, the
15 standards for an instructional hour and the standards for a
16 full-time teacher and for the equivalent thereof."

17 Section 12. Section 22-8-11 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
18 Chapter 16, Section 66, as amended) is amended to read:

19 "22-8-11. BUDGETS--APPROVAL OF OPERATING BUDGET.--

20 A. On or before (HEC #5) [June 30] July 1 of each
21 year, the department shall [(1) on or before July 1 of each
22 year] approve and certify [to] the operating budget for each
23 [local] school [board] district and [governing body of a state-
24 chartered] charter school [an operating budget for use by the
25 school district or state-chartered charter school; and (2)].

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1 The department may make corrections, revisions and amendments
2 to the operating budgets fixed by the local school boards or
3 governing bodies [~~of state-chartered charter schools and the~~
4 ~~secretary~~] to conform the budgets to the requirements of law
5 and to the department's rules and procedures.

6 B. No school district or [~~state-chartered~~] charter
7 school or officer or employee of a school district or [~~state-~~
8 ~~chartered~~] charter school shall make any expenditure or incur
9 any obligation for the expenditure of public [~~funds~~] money
10 unless that expenditure or obligation is made in accordance
11 with an operating budget approved by the department. This
12 prohibition does not prohibit the transfer of [~~funds~~] money
13 pursuant to the department's rules and procedures.

14 C. The department shall not approve and certify an
15 operating budget of any school district or [~~state-chartered~~]
16 charter school that [~~fails to~~] does not align with the
17 educational plan and demonstrate that parental involvement in
18 the budget process was solicited.

19 D. The department may approve a conditional
20 operating budget if a school district's or charter school's
21 educational plan is in the process of being approved as
22 provided in Section 4 of this 2008 act. After the secretary's
23 final decision on the educational plan, the conditional
24 operating budget shall be aligned with the department-approved
25 educational plan and become the operating budget for the

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1 applicable fiscal year. (HEC #6) [~~If the approved operating~~
2 ~~budget requires a decrease or increase in the school district's~~
3 ~~state equalization guarantee distribution, the department shall~~
4 ~~adjust the monthly allotments accordingly.]~~"

5 Section 13. Section 22-8-12.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,
6 Chapter 128, Section 5, as amended) is amended to read:

7 "22-8-12.1. [~~MEMBERSHIP~~] SUFFICIENT PER-STUDENT COST
8 PROJECTIONS AND BUDGET REQUESTS.--

9 A. Beginning with projections for the 2009-2010
10 school year, each [~~local school board or governing body of a~~
11 ~~state-chartered~~] school district and charter school shall
12 submit annually, on or before October 15, to the department:

13 (1) an estimate for the succeeding fiscal year
14 of:

15 (a) the [~~membership of qualified~~
16 ~~students to be enrolled in the basic program~~] enrollment by
17 grade level;

18 (b) the full-time-equivalent [~~membership~~
19 ~~of students to be enrolled~~] enrollment in approved early
20 childhood education programs; [~~and~~]

21 (c) the [~~membership of students to be~~
22 ~~enrolled~~] enrollment in approved special education programs;
23 and

24 (d) the cost factor demographic data by
25 grade level;

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1 (2) all other information necessary to
2 calculate total program [~~costs~~] cost; and

3 (3) any other information related to the
4 financial needs of the school district or [~~state-chartered~~]
5 charter school as may be requested by the department.

6 B. All information requested pursuant to Subsection
7 A of this section shall be submitted on forms prescribed and
8 furnished by the department and shall comply with the
9 department's rules and procedures.

10 C. The department shall:

11 (1) review the financial needs of each school
12 district [~~or state-chartered~~] and charter school for the
13 succeeding fiscal year; and

14 (2) submit annually, on or before November
15 (HEC #7) [~~30~~] 20, to the secretary of finance and
16 administration the recommendations of the department for:

17 (a) amendments to the public school
18 [~~finance~~] funding formula;

19 (b) appropriations for the succeeding
20 fiscal year to the public school fund for inclusion in the
21 executive budget document; and

22 (c) appropriations for the succeeding
23 fiscal year for [~~pupil~~] student transportation and
24 instructional materials."

25 Section 14. Section 22-8-13 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1974,

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1 Chapter 8, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

2 "22-8-13. REPORTS.--

3 A. Each public school [~~in a school district and~~
4 ~~each state-chartered charter school~~] shall keep accurate
5 records concerning [membership] enrollment in the public school
6 [~~The superintendent of~~].

7 B. The dates for which enrollment is reported are
8 as follows:

9 (1) first reporting date, second Wednesday in
10 October;

11 (2) second reporting date, second Wednesday in
12 December; and

13 (3) third reporting date, second Wednesday in
14 February.

15 C. The department may require enrollment or other
16 reports at other times specified by the department.

17 D. Each school district or [head administrator of a
18 state-chartered] charter school shall maintain the following
19 reports for each [twenty-day] enrollment reporting period:

20 (1) the [basic program MEM] enrollment and
21 cost factor demographic data by grade in each public school;

22 (2) the early childhood education [MEM]
23 enrollment;

24 (3) the special education [MEM in each public
25 school in class C and class D programs as defined in Section

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1 ~~22-8-21 NMSA 1978;~~

2 ~~(4) the number of class A and class B programs~~
3 ~~as defined in Section 22-8-21 NMSA 1978; and] enrollment; and~~
4 ~~[(5)] (4) the [full-time equivalent MEM for]~~
5 bilingual multicultural education [~~programs~~] enrollment.

6 [~~B. The superintendent of] E. Each school district~~

7 and [~~the head administrator of each state-chartered] charter~~

8 school shall furnish all reports, including financial reports

9 required by the department, to the department [~~reports of the~~

10 ~~information required in Paragraphs (1) through (5) of~~

11 ~~Subsection A of this section for the first forty days of the~~

12 ~~school year. The forty-day report and all other reports~~

13 ~~required by law or by the department shall be furnished] within~~

14 five days of the close of [~~the] each reporting period.~~

15 [~~G.] F. All information required pursuant to this~~

16 section shall be on forms prescribed and furnished by the

17 department. A copy of any report made pursuant to this section

18 shall be kept as a permanent record of the school district or

19 charter school and shall be subject to inspection and audit at

20 any reasonable time.

21 [~~D.] G. The department [~~shall] may withhold up to~~~~

22 one hundred percent of the allotments of funds to any school

23 district or [~~state-chartered] charter school [~~where] when the~~~~

24 local superintendent or head administrator has failed to comply

25 with the requirements of this section. Withholding may

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1 continue until the local superintendent or head administrator
2 complies with and agrees to continue complying with the
3 requirements of this section.

4 [E.] H. The provisions of this section may be
5 modified or suspended by the department for any school district
6 or [~~school or state-chartered~~] charter school operating under
7 the Variable School Calendar Act. The department shall require
8 [MEM] the reports consistent with the calendar of operations of
9 [~~such~~] the school district or [~~school or state-chartered~~]
10 charter school and shall calculate an equivalent [MEM]
11 enrollment for use in projecting school district or charter
12 school revenue."

13 Section 15. Section 22-8-14 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
14 Chapter 16, Section 69, as amended) is amended to read:

15 "22-8-14. PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND.--

16 A. The "public school fund" is created in the state
17 treasury. The fund consists of appropriations, earmarked
18 revenue, income from investment of the fund and any other money
19 credited to the fund.

20 B. The public school fund shall be distributed to
21 school districts and state-chartered charter schools in the
22 following parts:

- 23 (1) state equalization guarantee distribution;
24 (2) transportation distribution; and
25 (3) supplemental distributions:

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(a) out-of-state tuition to school districts;

(b) emergency; and

(c) program enrichment.

C. The distributions of the public school fund shall be made by the department within limits established by law. The balance remaining in the public school fund at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund [~~unless otherwise provided by law~~].

(HAFC #2) D. *Until the funding formula provided for in Section 17 of this 2008 act is implemented, all revenue dedicated to public school purposes by a law that is enacted or constitutional amendment that is approved after January 1, 2008 shall be credited to a separate account in the public school fund. Money sequestered in this separate account shall not be counted as part of a state reserve for bonding or any other purpose other than to provide the marginal cost of implementing the funding formula as provided in Subsection 0 of Section 17 of this 2008 act."*

Section 16. Section 22-8-17 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1974, Chapter 8, Section 7, as amended) is amended to read:

"22-8-17. TOTAL PROGRAM COST DETERMINATION--REQUIRED INFORMATION.--

A. The department shall calculate the total program cost for each school district and charter school [~~shall be~~

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1 ~~determined by the department]~~ in accordance with the provisions
2 of the Public School Finance Act.

3 B. The department is authorized to require from
4 each school district and charter school the information
5 necessary to make an accurate determination of the district's
6 or charter school's total program cost."

7 Section 17. Section 22-8-18 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1974,
8 Chapter 8, Section 8, as amended by Laws 2007, Chapter 347,
9 Section 1 and by Laws 2007, Chapter 348, Section 2 and also by
10 Laws 2007, Chapter 365, Section 1) is repealed and a new
11 Section 22-8-18 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

12 "22-8-18. [NEW MATERIAL] PROJECTED SUFFICIENT PER-STUDENT
13 COST CALCULATION FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND CHARTER SCHOOLS--
14 LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY.--

15 A. As used in this section:

- 16 (1) "ENR" means total enrollment;
17 (2) "exp" means the exponential function with
18 its base being the mathematical constant e; and
19 (3) "ln" means natural logarithm.

20 B. The cost factors used to determine the
21 sufficient per-student cost for a school district or charter
22 school are:

- 23 (1) poverty, which is measured by the
24 percentage of qualified students in a school who qualified for
25 free or reduced-price lunch as of September 30 of the prior

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1 school year;

2 (2) English language learners, which is
3 measured by the percentage of qualified students designated as
4 English language learners based on a department-approved
5 English language proficiency assessment;

6 (3) special education, which is measured by
7 sixteen percent of the number of qualified students for school
8 districts and by the percentage of qualified students who are
9 required by the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education
10 Act to have an individualized education program for the
11 delivery of special education and includes developmentally
12 disabled three- and four-year-old qualified students for
13 charter schools;

14 (4) mobility, which is the mobility rate
15 determined by the following formula: $1 - (1 \div (1 + \text{statewide}$
16 $\text{mobility ratio}))$, where the mobility ratio is determined
17 annually by the department;

18 (5) the percent of total district enrollment
19 in grades six through eight;

20 (6) the percent of total district enrollment
21 in grades nine through twelve;

22 (7) the total district enrollment; and

23 (8) the weighted index of staff

24 qualifications.

25 C. The sufficient per-student cost for school

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1 districts is determined by multiplying the base per-student
2 cost by a series of formula adjustments as follows:

3 "base per-student cost x
4 $[(1 + \text{percent free/reduced-fee lunch})^{0.375}] \times$
5 $[(1 + \text{percent English language learners})^{0.094}] \times$
6 $[(1 + \text{percent special education})^{1.723}] \times$
7 $[(1 + \text{mobility rate})^{0.190}] \times$
8 $[(1 + \text{enrollment percent in grades six-eight})^{0.291} +$
9 1.063] x
10 $[(1 + \text{enrollment percent in grades nine-twelve})^{0.608} +$
11 1.187] x
12 $[(\text{ENR})^{-0.575} \times \exp((\ln(\text{ENR}))^2)^{0.029} + 0.062] \times$
13 weighted index of staff qualifications formula
14 adjustment determined pursuant to Section 22-8-24
15 NMSA 1978".

16 D. The funding formula equation used to determine
17 the sufficient per-student cost for charter schools is
18 determined by multiplying the base per-student cost by a series
19 of formula adjustments as follows:

20 "base per-student cost x
21 $[(1 + \text{percent free/reduced-fee lunch})^{0.375}] \times$
22 $[(1 + \text{percent English language learners})^{0.094}] \times$
23 $[(1 + \text{percent special education})^{1.723}] \times$
24 $[(1 + \text{mobility rate})^{0.190}] \times$
25 $[(1 + \text{enrollment percent in grades six-eight})^{0.291} +$

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1 1.074] x

2 [(1+ enrollment percent in grades nine-twelve)^{0.608} ÷

3 1.241] x

4 [(ENR)^{-0.307} x exp((ln(ENR))²)^{0.012} ÷ 0.288] x

5 weighted index of staff qualifications adjustment as
6 determined pursuant to Section 22-8-24 NMSA 1978".

7 E. The exponents and denominators used in the
8 formula adjustments shall remain constant until they are
9 redetermined after the required periodic funding formula study.

10 F. Except as otherwise provided in this section,
11 cost factor demographic data and total enrollment are based on
12 the average of the prior year's total enrollment reported in
13 December and February and the prior-year cost factor
14 demographic data.

15 G. A school district or charter school that is
16 experiencing growth may elect to use the greater of the prior-
17 year average December and February total enrollment or the
18 current-year October total enrollment, as determined by the
19 difference in the prior-year October total enrollment and the
20 current-year October total enrollment.

21 H. A new school district or charter school shall
22 use the current-year October cost factor demographic data and
23 total enrollment for the first year.

24 I. The special education formula adjustment for a
25 school district is calculated using sixteen percent of the

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1 number of qualified students in the school district.

2 (HEC #8) ~~[In the 2008-2009 school year, a school district with~~
3 ~~an actual special education identification rate over sixteen~~
4 ~~percent shall reassess its special education students to~~
5 ~~determine whether:~~

6 ~~(1) there is a significant disproportionality~~
7 ~~in the identification rate based on ethnic or racial~~
8 ~~background; and~~

9 ~~(2) individual students should be reevaluated~~
10 ~~to determine the most appropriate education and related~~
11 ~~services needed.]~~

12 J. The special education formula adjustment for a
13 charter school is calculated using the actual number of
14 appropriately identified special education qualified students
15 who are receiving special education on the October enrollment
16 report. The legislature finds that charter schools are
17 designed for unique populations and the range of variation in
18 special education in charter schools is wider and often well
19 below school district averages; therefore, it is rational and
20 reasonable to differentiate between school districts and
21 charter schools in the special education cost factor.

22 K. The department shall assist school districts to
23 implement response to intervention strategies to lower their
24 special education identification rates. It is the intent of
25 the legislature that all school districts and charter schools

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1 accurately identify students needing special education and that
2 they implement response to intervention strategies to provide
3 students with the most appropriate services required for their
4 educational success. The department shall report to the
5 legislature by September 1 of each year on:

6 (1) the prior year's special education
7 identification rates in school districts and charter schools;
8 and

9 (2) the adoption and efficacy of response to
10 intervention strategies for each school district and charter
11 school.

12 L. To maintain the funding formula each year, the
13 department shall:

14 (1) update the cost factors of each school
15 district and charter school to determine their respective
16 formula adjustments for that year; and

17 (2) adjust the base per-student cost according
18 to legislative appropriation (HAFC #3) [~~including inflation.~~
19 ~~As used in this paragraph, inflation is determined by the~~
20 ~~percentage increase, if any:~~

21 ~~(a) of the prior-year legislative~~
22 ~~appropriation for salary increases applied to that statewide~~
23 ~~portion of the budget designated for salaries and benefits; and~~

24 ~~(b) of the prior-year consumer price~~
25 ~~index for all urban consumers for the remaining statewide~~

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1 ~~portions of the budget funded through the formula].~~

2 M. The department shall undertake a thorough
3 funding formula study every ten years, or more frequently if
4 the secretary or the legislature determines a need, to update
5 the current funding formula to determine the formula's equation
6 exponents and denominators.

7 N. The sufficient per-student cost is based on a
8 comprehensive instructional program that includes the cost of
9 core academic programs, career-technical education, gifted
10 programs, bilingual-multicultural programs, arts and music,
11 health and physical education and special education and
12 appropriate staff. It is the responsibility of the local
13 school board or governing body to determine its priorities in
14 terms of the needs of the community served by that board or
15 body. Money distributed through the provisions of the Public
16 School Finance Act is discretionary to local school boards and
17 governing bodies to provide the programs identified in their
18 educational plans.

19 (HAFC #4) ~~[O. Beginning with fiscal year 2010, the~~
20 ~~legislature and the department shall use the funding formula~~
21 ~~provided in this section as the method for determining the~~
22 ~~appropriation for and distribution of the state equalization~~
23 ~~guarantee; provided that funding for complete implementation of~~
24 ~~the provisions of this 2008 act may be phased in during a~~
25 ~~period not to exceed three years; and provided further that the~~

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1 ~~funding formula shall not be initiated in fiscal year 2010~~
2 ~~unless the 2010 appropriation is equal to at least one-third of~~
3 ~~the difference between the projected total program cost for~~
4 ~~fiscal year 2010 and the actual program cost for fiscal year~~
5 ~~2009 inflated to fiscal year 2010. For the first two years of~~
6 ~~phase in, if the total program cost for a school district or~~
7 ~~charter school is less than that of the prior fiscal year, the~~
8 ~~total program cost for the school district or charter school~~
9 ~~shall be calculated using the prior fiscal year's total program~~
10 ~~cost adjusted for inflation.]~~

11 0. *The legislature shall instruct the department to*
12 *use the funding formula provided in this section as the method*
13 *of distributing the state equalization guarantee as soon as*
14 *approximately three hundred thirty-two million dollars*
15 *(\$332,000,000) in recurring revenue is available to fund the*
16 *marginal cost of implementation of the new funding formula,*
17 *which shall be determined by a December state revenue forecast*
18 *that indicates that the marginal cost can be met by considering*
19 *dedicated recurring revenue streams to the separate account in*
20 *the public school fund and increases in recurring general*
21 *revenue over the prior year; provided that, prior to*
22 *implementation, appropriations to the state equalization*
23 *guarantee distribution above the prior year, excluding*
24 *legislatively determined inflation and salaries, shall be*
25 *considered to reduce the marginal cost of implementation. If*

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1 the provisions of this subsection are not met by July 1, 2012,
2 this section is void."

3 Section 18. A new section of the Public School Finance
4 Act is enacted to read:

5 "[NEW MATERIAL] FORMULA (HAFC #5) [~~PHASE-IN~~] PROGRAMMING.--

6 A. (HAFC #6) [~~During the phase-in of~~] In using the
7 funding formula, a school district or charter school shall use
8 its state equalization guarantee distribution (HAFC #7) [~~above~~
9 ~~the amount it received in the prior fiscal year and the amount~~
10 ~~needed for increases in fixed costs and salaries~~] pursuant to
11 the budget approved by the department, for one or more of the
12 following purposes that support the educational plan:

13 (1) extending the instructional year one or
14 more days;

15 (2) extending the school day for teachers or
16 extending contract days for teachers up to four days beyond the
17 instructional year;

18 (3) offering summer school, credit recovery
19 and enhanced before- and after-school opportunities;

20 (4) lower class sizes and student-teacher
21 ratios;

22 (5) employing academic coaches, resource
23 teachers and specialists, particularly in reading, mathematics
24 and English language learning programs;

25 (6) enhancing intervention efforts for

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- 1 children who may be at risk of academic failure;
- 2 (7) enhancing remediation programs in language
- 3 arts and reading, mathematics, science and social studies;
- 4 (8) improving truancy prevention and
- 5 intervention strategies, including establishing or enhancing
- 6 truancy tracking systems and employing truancy officers;
- 7 (9) establishing or enhancing bilingual-
- 8 multicultural programs;
- 9 (10) offering visual and performing arts,
- 10 music and physical education to more students;
- 11 (11) enhancing programs for gifted students;
- 12 (12) enhancing career-technical education
- 13 programs;
- 14 (13) employing educational assistants,
- 15 librarians, counselors, nurses, social workers and student
- 16 support service staff;
- 17 (14) providing professional development
- 18 opportunities for licensed school employees outside the
- 19 instructional day or year;
- 20 (15) providing teaching English as a second
- 21 language (HEC #9) and *bilingual* endorsement courses for
- 22 instructional staff;
- 23 (16) providing stipends for instructional
- 24 staff who have a bilingual or teaching English as a second
- 25 language endorsement;

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1 (17) improving information technology services
2 for students and staff, including employing information
3 technology personnel or contracting with technical consultants;

4 (18) improving the district's ability to
5 collect and analyze student and staff data to improve education
6 management;

7 (19) improving student and school safety; or

8 (20) other measures approved by the department
9 that are tied to the educational plan.

10 B. The use to which increased funding is put
11 pursuant to Subsection A of this section shall be incorporated
12 into the school district's or charter school's educational plan
13 and approved by the department. The educational plan shall
14 provide detailed information:

15 (1) describing the purposes to which increased
16 funding will be applied;

17 (2) the specific outcomes expected from such
18 increased funding;

19 (3) the performance measures to be used to
20 evaluate the efficacy of the purposes to which increased
21 funding was applied; and

22 (4) any other information requested by the
23 department to assist the department and the school district or
24 charter school to evaluate its educational programs or
25 administrative efficiency."

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1 Section 19. Section 22-8-24 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1974,
2 Chapter 8, Section 15, as amended by Laws 1993, Chapter 91,
3 Section 1 and also by Laws 1993, Chapter 237, Section 3) is
4 repealed and a new Section 22-8-24 NMSA 1978 is enacted to
5 read:

6 "22-8-24. [NEW MATERIAL] INDEX OF STAFF QUALIFICATIONS--
7 NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFICATION STIPEND.--

8 A. For the purpose of calculating the index of
9 staff qualifications, the following definitions and limitations
10 apply:

11 (1) "instructional staff" means the personnel
12 assigned to the instructional program of a school district or
13 charter school, including instructional support providers, and
14 excluding principals, substitute teachers, educational
15 assistants, secretaries and clerks;

16 (2) the number of instructional staff to be
17 counted in calculating matrix A and matrix B of the index of
18 staff qualifications is the actual number of full-time
19 equivalent instructional staff on the October payroll of the
20 prior year;

21 (3) the number of years of experience within a
22 level for matrix A or the number of years of experience for
23 matrix B to be used in calculating the index of staff
24 qualifications is that number of years of experience allowed
25 for salary increment purposes on the salary schedule of the

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1 school district or charter school; and
 2 (4) the academic degree and additional credit
 3 hours to be used in calculating the index of staff
 4 qualifications are the degree and additional semester credit
 5 hours allowed for salary increment purposes on the salary
 6 schedule of the school district or charter school.

7 B. The factors for each classification of academic
 8 training by years of experience are provided in the following
 9 matrix for teachers:

10 Matrix of Staff Qualifications A - Teachers

Academic Classification	Years of Experience Within Level									
	Level I			Level II				Level III		
	0-1	2-3	4-5	4-6	7-8	9-15	Over 15	7-8	9-15	Over 15
Bachelor's degree	0.64	0.67	0.71	0.76	0.82	0.93	1.04	0.90	1.02	1.17
Master's degree	0.68	0.72	0.76	0.81	0.88	1.00	1.11	0.96	1.09	1.25
Master's degree plus 45 credit hours or post-master's degree	0.71	0.75	0.79	0.85	0.92	1.05	1.16	1.01	1.14	1.31

19 C. The factors for each classification of academic
 20 training by years of experience are provided in the following
 21 matrix for other instructional staff:

22 Matrix of Staff Qualifications B - Other Instructional Staff

Academic Classification	Years of Experience				
	0-2	3-5	6-8	9-15	Over 15
Bachelor's degree or less	0.65	0.78	0.87	0.91	0.91
Bachelor's degree plus 15 credit hours	0.70	0.83	0.87	0.96	1.00

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1	Bachelor's degree plus 45 credit hours or master's degree	0.74	0.87	0.91	1.00	1.04
2	Master's degree plus 15 credit hours	0.78	0.91	1.00	1.13	1.17
3	Master's degree plus 45 or post-master's degree	0.87	1.00	1.13	1.22	1.30

5 D. The index of staff qualifications for each
6 school district and charter school shall be calculated in
7 accordance with instructions issued by the secretary. The
8 following calculation shall be made to compute the value of
9 the index of staff qualifications:

10 (1) multiply the number of full-time-
11 equivalent teachers in each academic classification and level
12 in matrix A by the numerical factor in the appropriate "years
13 of experience within the level" column provided in Subsection
14 B of this section;

15 (2) multiply the number of full-time
16 equivalent other instructional staff in each classification
17 and level in matrix B by the numerical factor in the
18 appropriate "years of experience" column provided in
19 Subsection C of this section;

20 (3) add the adjusted full-time-equivalents
21 calculated in Paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection; and

22 (4) divide the total obtained in Paragraph
23 (3) of this subsection by the total number of full-time-
24 equivalent instructional staff.

25 E. If the result of the calculation of the index

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1 of staff qualifications for a school district or charter
2 school is less than 1.0, its factor shall be 1.0.

3 F. If a new school district is created, the index
4 of staff qualifications for that school district for the first
5 year of operation shall be 1.0.

6 G. If a school district's or charter school's
7 index of staff qualifications is greater than 1.0, the index
8 of staff qualifications formula adjustment used to determine
9 the sufficient per-student cost is equal to the amount
10 determined in Subsection D of this section multiplied by the
11 percentage of the prior year's budget for instructional staff
12 salaries and benefits plus a factor equal to one hundred
13 percent minus the percentage of the prior year's budget for
14 instructional staff salaries and benefits.

15 H. In addition to the sufficient per-student cost,
16 each school district and charter school shall calculate the
17 amount of national board for professional teaching standards
18 certification salary differential due to each national board-
19 certified teacher employed by the school district or charter
20 school on the October report date. The department shall
21 calculate the amount of the salary differential for
22 legislative appropriation based on the amount paid to board-
23 certified teachers in the 2007-2008 base school year adjusted
24 yearly by the same overall percentage increase in teacher
25 salary provided by the legislature. The department shall

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1 verify the certification and current employment of board-
2 certified teachers. Department approval of any allocations
3 for this item shall be contingent on verification by the
4 school district or charter school that these teachers will
5 receive the one-time salary differential for the school year
6 equal to the amount calculated."

7 Section 20. Section 22-8-25 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1981,
8 Chapter 176, Section 5, as amended) is amended to read:

9 "22-8-25. STATE EQUALIZATION GUARANTEE DISTRIBUTION--
10 DEFINITIONS--DETERMINATION OF AMOUNT.--

11 A. The state equalization guarantee distribution
12 is that amount of money distributed to each school district to
13 ensure that its operating revenue, including its local and
14 federal revenues as defined in this section, is at least equal
15 to the school district's total program cost. For [~~state-~~
16 ~~chartered~~] charter schools, the state equalization guarantee
17 distribution is the difference between the [~~state-chartered~~]
18 charter school's total program cost and the two percent
19 withheld by the school district or the department for
20 administrative services.

21 B. "Local revenue", as used in this section, means
22 seventy-five percent of receipts to the school district
23 derived from that amount produced by a school district
24 property tax applied at the rate of fifty cents (\$.50) to each
25 one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of net taxable value of property

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1 allocated to the school district and to the assessed value of
2 products severed and sold in the school district as determined
3 under the Oil and Gas Ad Valorem Production Tax Act and upon
4 the assessed value of equipment in the school district as
5 determined under the Oil and Gas Production Equipment Ad
6 Valorem Tax Act.

7 C. "Federal revenue", as used in this section,
8 means receipts to the school district, excluding amounts that,
9 if taken into account in the computation of the state
10 equalization guarantee distribution, result, under federal law
11 or regulations, in a reduction in or elimination of federal
12 school funding otherwise receivable by the school district,
13 derived from the following:

14 (1) seventy-five percent of the school
15 district's share of forest reserve funds distributed in
16 accordance with Section 22-8-33 NMSA 1978; and

17 (2) seventy-five percent of grants from the
18 federal government as assistance to those areas affected by
19 federal activity authorized in accordance with Title 20 of the
20 United States Code, commonly known as "PL 874 funds" or
21 "impact aid".

22 D. To determine the amount of the state
23 equalization guarantee distribution, the department shall

24 ~~[(1) calculate the number of program units to~~
25 ~~which each school district or charter school is entitled using~~

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1 ~~an average of the MEM on the eightieth and one hundred~~
2 ~~twentieth days of the prior year; or~~

3 ~~(2) calculate the number of program units to~~
4 ~~which a school district or charter school operating under an~~
5 ~~approved year-round school calendar is entitled using an~~
6 ~~average of the MEM on appropriate dates established by the~~
7 ~~department; or~~

8 ~~(3) calculate the number of program units to~~
9 ~~which a school district or charter school with a MEM of two~~
10 ~~hundred or less is entitled by using an average of the MEM on~~
11 ~~the eightieth and one hundred twentieth days of the prior year~~
12 ~~or the fortieth day of the current year, whichever is greater;~~
13 ~~and~~

14 ~~(4) using the results of the calculations in~~
15 ~~Paragraph (1), (2) or (3) of this subsection and the~~
16 ~~instructional staff training and experience index from the~~
17 ~~October report of the prior school year, establish a total~~
18 ~~program cost of the school district or charter school;~~

19 ~~(5) for school districts, calculate the local~~
20 ~~and federal revenues as defined in this section;~~

21 ~~(6) deduct the sum of the calculations made~~
22 ~~in Paragraph (5) of this subsection from the program cost~~
23 ~~established in Paragraph (4) of this subsection;~~

24 ~~(7)] determine the total program cost for each~~
25 ~~school district and charter school and subtract the local and~~

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1 federal revenue. The department shall then deduct the total
2 amount of guaranteed energy savings contract payments that the
3 department determines will be made to the school district from
4 the public school utility conservation fund during the fiscal
5 year for which the state equalization guarantee distribution
6 is being computed and ~~[(8)]~~ deduct ninety percent of the
7 amount certified for the school district by the department
8 pursuant to the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Bonding
9 Act.

10 E. Reduction of a school district's state
11 equalization guarantee distribution pursuant to the Energy
12 Efficiency and Renewable Energy Bonding Act shall cease when
13 the school district's cumulative reductions equal its
14 proportional share of the cumulative debt service payments
15 necessary to service the bonds issued pursuant to ~~[the Energy~~
16 ~~Efficiency and Renewable Energy Bonding]~~ that act.

17 ~~[F. The amount of the state equalization guarantee~~
18 ~~distribution to which a school district is entitled is the~~
19 ~~balance remaining after the deductions made in Paragraphs (6)~~
20 ~~through (8) of Subsection D of this section.~~

21 G.] F. The state equalization guarantee
22 distribution shall be distributed prior to June 30 of each
23 fiscal year. The calculation shall be based on the local and
24 federal revenues specified in this section received from June
25 1 of the previous fiscal year through May 31 of the fiscal

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1 year for which the state equalization guarantee distribution
2 is being computed. In the event that a school district or
3 charter school has received more state equalization guarantee
4 funds than its entitlement, a refund shall be made by the
5 school district or charter school to the [~~state general~~]
6 public school fund."

7 Section 21. Section 22-8-41 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
8 Chapter 16, Section 99, as amended) is amended to read:

9 "22-8-41. RESTRICTION ON OPERATIONAL FUNDS--EMERGENCY
10 ACCOUNTS (HEC #10) CASH BALANCES.--

11 A. A school district shall not expend money from
12 its operational fund for the acquisition of a building site or
13 for the construction of a new structure, unless the school
14 district has bonded itself to practical capacity or the
15 secretary determines and certifies to the legislative finance
16 committee that the expending of money from the operational
17 fund for this purpose is necessary for [~~an adequate~~] (HAFB #8)
18 [~~a sufficient~~] the public educational program and will not
19 unduly hamper the school district's current operations.

20 B. A school district or charter school may budget
21 out of cash balances carried forward from the previous fiscal
22 year an amount not to exceed five percent of its proposed
23 operational fund expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year as
24 an emergency account. Money in the emergency account shall be
25 used only for unforeseen expenditures incurred after the

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1 annual budget ~~[was]~~ is approved and shall not be expended
2 without the prior written approval of the secretary.

3 C. In addition to the emergency account, school
4 districts or charter schools may also budget operational fund
5 cash balances carried forward from the previous fiscal year
6 for operational expenditures, exclusive of salaries and
7 payroll, upon specific prior approval of the secretary. The
8 secretary shall notify the legislative finance committee in
9 writing of the secretary's approval of such proposed
10 expenditures. ~~[For fiscal years 2004 and 2005, with the~~
11 ~~approval of the secretary, a school district or charter school~~
12 ~~may budget so much of its operational cash balance as is~~
13 ~~needed for nonrecurring expenditures, including capital~~
14 ~~outlay.~~

15 D. ~~Beginning with fiscal year 2007, prior to~~
16 ~~approval of a school district's or charter school's budget,~~
17 ~~the secretary shall verify that the reductions from the state~~
18 ~~equalization guarantee distribution have been taken pursuant~~
19 ~~to this section.~~

20 E. ~~The allowable limit for a school district's or~~
21 ~~charter school's ending operational cash balance is:~~

22 ~~(1) if the current year program cost is less~~
23 ~~than five million dollars (\$5,000,000), eighteen percent of~~
24 ~~the budgeted expenditures;~~

25 ~~(2) if the current year program cost is five~~

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1 million dollars (~~\$5,000,000~~) or more but less than ten million
2 dollars (~~\$10,000,000~~), twelve percent of the budgeted
3 expenditures;

4 ~~(3) if the current year program cost is ten~~
5 million dollars (~~\$10,000,000~~) or more but less than twenty-
6 five million dollars (~~\$25,000,000~~), ten percent of the
7 budgeted expenditures;

8 ~~(4) if the current year program cost is~~
9 twenty-five million dollars (~~\$25,000,000~~) or more but less
10 than two hundred million dollars (~~\$200,000,000~~), eight percent
11 of the budgeted expenditures; and

12 ~~(5) if the current year program cost is two~~
13 hundred million dollars (~~\$200,000,000~~) or more, five percent
14 of the budgeted expenditures.

15 F. ~~Except as otherwise provided in this section,~~
16 ~~for the 2006 and subsequent fiscal years, the secretary shall~~
17 ~~reduce the state equalization guarantee distribution,~~
18 ~~calculated pursuant to Section 22-8-25 NMSA 1978, to each~~
19 ~~school district or charter school by an amount equal to the~~
20 ~~school district's or charter school's excess cash balance. As~~
21 ~~used in this section, "excess cash balance" means the~~
22 ~~difference between a school district's or a charter school's~~
23 ~~actual operational cash balance and the allowable limit~~
24 ~~calculated pursuant to Subsection E of this section. However:~~

25 ~~(1) for a school district or charter school~~

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1 with a current year program cost that exceeds two hundred
2 million dollars (\$200,000,000), if the excess cash balance is
3 greater than twenty percent of the allowable, unrestricted,
4 unreserved operational cash balance and the emergency reserve,
5 the reduction pursuant to this subsection shall equal twenty
6 percent of the allowable, unrestricted, unreserved operational
7 cash balance and the emergency reserve; and

8 (2) for other school districts and charter
9 schools, if the excess cash balance is greater than eighteen
10 percent of the allowable, unrestricted, unreserved operational
11 cash balance and the emergency reserve, the reduction pursuant
12 to this subsection shall equal eighteen percent of the
13 allowable unrestricted, unreserved operational cash balance
14 and the emergency reserve.

15 G.] D. In developing budgets, school districts and
16 charter schools shall not budget current year cash balances
17 without the approval of the secretary. Cash balances shall be
18 expended pursuant to the school district's or charter school's
19 educational plan.

20 [H. A school district or charter school whose
21 enrollment growth exceeds one percent from the prior year and
22 whose facility master plan includes the addition of a new
23 school within two years may request from the secretary a
24 waiver of up to fifty percent of the reduction otherwise
25 required by Subsection F of this section.

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1 ~~I.~~ E. Upon application by a school district or
2 charter school, the secretary may ~~[waive all or a portion of~~
3 ~~the reduction otherwise required by Subsection F of this~~
4 ~~section if the secretary finds that the]~~ approve the use of a
5 school district's ~~[excess]~~ or charter school's cash balance
6 ~~[is needed]~~ to provide the local match required under the
7 Public School Capital Outlay Act or to recoup an amount paid
8 as the district's share pursuant to Section 22-24-5.7 NMSA
9 1978.

10 ~~[J. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection F~~
11 ~~of this section, for fiscal year 2004, the reduction from the~~
12 ~~state equalization guarantee distribution shall be the greater~~
13 ~~of the amount calculated pursuant to that subsection or ten~~
14 ~~dollars (\$10.00) per MEM.~~

15 ~~K. For the purposes of this section, "operational~~
16 ~~cash balance" means the allowable, unrestricted, unreserved~~
17 ~~operational cash balance and the emergency reserve.~~

18 ~~L. For the purposes of this section, "allowable,~~
19 ~~unrestricted, unreserved operational cash balance and the~~
20 ~~emergency reserve" means the proportional share not~~
21 ~~attributable to revenue derived from the school district~~
22 ~~property tax, forest reserve funds and impact aid for which~~
23 ~~the state takes credit in determining a school district's or~~
24 ~~charter school's state equalization guarantee distribution.]"~~

25 Section 22. A new section of the Public School Finance

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1 Act is enacted to read:

2 "[NEW MATERIAL] SPECIAL EDUCATION CATASTROPHIC AID FUND--
3 CREATED--DISTRIBUTION--LOCAL EFFORT.--

4 A. As used in this section, "high-cost special
5 education" means the provision of special education and
6 related services to a qualified student that exceeds the
7 threshold amount above the base per-student cost as determined
8 by the department pursuant to appropriation by the
9 legislature.

10 B. The "special education catastrophic aid fund"
11 is created as a nonreverting fund in the state treasury. The
12 fund consists of appropriations, gifts, grants, donations,
13 income from investment of the fund and any other money
14 credited to the fund. The fund shall be administered by the
15 department, and money in the fund is appropriated to the
16 department to provide grants to school districts to assist
17 them in paying costs associated with high-cost special
18 education students.

19 C. A school district may apply to the department
20 for a grant from the fund to help defray the cost of providing
21 high-cost special education. The application shall be in a
22 form approved by the department and shall include the
23 documentation required by the department. A single grant
24 shall not exceed seventy-five percent of the projected cost of
25 providing the high-cost special education for a given school

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1 year.

2 D. Based on legislative appropriation each year,
3 the department shall determine the threshold amount for high-
4 cost special education."

5 Section 23. Section 22-13-1.7 NMSA 1978 (being Laws
6 2007, Chapter 348, Section 3) is amended to read:

7 "22-13-1.7. ELEMENTARY PHYSICAL EDUCATION.--

8 A. As used in this section:

9 (1) "eligible students" means students in
10 kindergarten through grade six in a public school classified
11 by the department as an elementary school; and

12 (2) "physical education" includes programs of
13 education through which students participate in activities
14 related to fitness education and assessment; active games and
15 sports; and development of physical capabilities such as motor
16 skills, strength and coordination.

17 B. Elementary physical education programs [~~that~~
18 ~~serve eligible students are eligible for funding if those~~
19 ~~programs]~~ shall meet academic content and performance
20 standards for elementary physical education programs (HEC #11)
21 *and be taught by teachers with a license endorsement for*
22 *physical education.*

23 [~~G. In granting approval for funding of elementary~~
24 ~~physical education programs, the department shall provide that~~
25 ~~programs are first implemented in public schools that have the~~

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1 ~~highest proportion of students most in need based on the~~
2 ~~percentage of students eligible for free or reduced-fee lunch~~
3 ~~or grade-level schools that serve an entire school district~~
4 ~~and in public schools with available space. If the department~~
5 ~~determines that an elementary physical education program is~~
6 ~~not meeting the academic content and performance standards for~~
7 ~~elementary physical education programs, the department shall~~
8 ~~notify the school district that the public school's failure to~~
9 ~~meet the academic content and performance standards will~~
10 ~~result in the cessation of funding for the following school~~
11 ~~year. The department shall compile the program results~~
12 ~~submitted by the school districts each year and make an annual~~
13 ~~report to the legislative education study committee and the~~
14 ~~legislature.~~

15 ~~D. As they become eligible for elementary physical~~
16 ~~education program funding, public schools shall submit to the~~
17 ~~department their elementary physical education program plans~~
18 ~~that meet academic content and performance standards and other~~
19 ~~guidelines of the department. At a minimum, the plan shall~~
20 ~~include the elementary physical education program being taught~~
21 ~~and an evaluation component. To be eligible for state~~
22 ~~financial support, an elementary physical education program~~
23 ~~shall:~~

24 ~~(1) provide for the physical education needs~~
25 ~~of students defined in this section; and~~

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1 ~~(2) use teachers with a license endorsement~~
2 ~~for physical education.~~

3 ~~E. The department shall annually determine the~~
4 ~~programs and the consequent number of students in elementary~~
5 ~~physical education that will receive state financial support~~
6 ~~in accordance with funding available in each school year.]"~~

7 Section 24. Section 22-13-6.1 NMSA 1978 (being Laws
8 1994, Chapter 25, Section 2, as amended) is recompiled as
9 Section 22-13-1.8 NMSA 1978 and is amended to read:

10 "22-13-1.8. GIFTED ~~[CHILDREN]~~ STUDENTS--DETERMINATION.--

11 A. The department shall adopt standards pertaining
12 to the determination of who is a gifted ~~[child]~~ student and
13 shall publish those standards as part of the educational
14 standards for New Mexico schools.

15 B. In adopting standards to determine who is a
16 gifted ~~[child]~~ student, the department shall provide for the
17 evaluation of selected ~~[school-age children]~~ students by
18 multidisciplinary teams from each ~~[child's]~~ student's school
19 district. That team shall be vested with the authority to
20 designate a ~~[child]~~ student as gifted. The team shall
21 consider information regarding a ~~[child's]~~ student's cultural
22 and linguistic background and socioeconomic background in the
23 identification, referral and evaluation process. The team
24 also shall consider any disabling condition in the
25 identification, referral and evaluation process.

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1 C. Each school district offering a gifted
2 education program shall create one or more advisory committees
3 of parents, community members, students and school staff
4 members. The school district may create as many advisory
5 committees as there are high schools in the district or may
6 create a single districtwide advisory committee. The
7 membership of each advisory committee shall reflect the
8 cultural diversity of the enrollment of the school district or
9 the schools the committee advises. The advisory committee
10 shall regularly review the goals and priorities of the gifted
11 program, including the operational plans for student
12 identification, evaluation, placement and service delivery and
13 shall demonstrate support for the gifted program.

14 D. In determining whether a [~~child~~] student is
15 gifted, the multidisciplinary team shall consider diagnostic
16 or other evidence of the [~~child's~~] student's:

- 17 (1) creativity or divergent-thinking ability;
18 (2) critical-thinking or problem-solving
19 ability;
20 (3) intelligence; and
21 (4) achievement.

22 E. Nothing in this section shall preclude a school
23 district from offering additional (HEC #12) [~~gifted~~] programs
24 for students who fail to meet the eligibility criteria (HEC
25 #13) for gifted students."

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1 Section 25. Section 22-13-5 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1972,
2 Chapter 95, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

3 "22-13-5. SPECIAL EDUCATION.--

4 A. School districts shall provide special
5 education and related services appropriate to meet the needs
6 of ~~[all children]~~ students requiring special education and
7 related services. ~~[Regulations]~~ Rules and standards shall be
8 developed and established by the ~~[state board]~~ department for
9 the provision of special education in the schools and classes
10 of the public school system in the state and in all
11 institutions wholly or partly supported by the state. The
12 ~~[state board]~~ department shall monitor and enforce the
13 ~~[regulations]~~ rules and standards.

14 B. Except as otherwise provided in this section,
15 the state institution in which a school-age person is detained
16 or enrolled shall be responsible for providing educational
17 services for the school-age person. A school-age person who
18 is a client as defined in Section 43-1-3 NMSA 1978 in a state
19 institution under the authority of the secretary of health has
20 a right to attend public school in the school district in
21 which the state institution in which the person is a client is
22 located if:

23 (1) the school-age person has been
24 recommended for placement in a public school by the
25 educational appraisal and review committee of the school

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1 district in which the institution is located; or

2 (2) the school-age person has been
3 recommended for placement in a public school as a result of
4 the appeal process as provided in the special education rules
5 of the department.

6 C. School districts shall also provide services
7 for three-year-old and four-year-old [~~preschool~~] children with
8 disabilities, unless the parent [~~or guardian~~] chooses not to
9 enroll [~~his~~] the child. If a child receiving services in the
10 department of health's family infant toddler program has [~~his~~]
11 a third birthday during the school year, the child's [~~parents~~]
12 parent shall have the option of having the child complete the
13 school year in the family infant toddler program or enrolling
14 the child in the public school's preschool program. A child
15 with a disability who enrolls in the public school's preschool
16 program and who has [~~his~~] a third birthday during a school
17 year may receive special education and related services from
18 the beginning of that school year.

19 D. Services for students age three through twenty-
20 one may include, but are not limited to, evaluating particular
21 needs, providing learning experiences that develop cognitive
22 and social skills, arranging for or providing related services
23 as defined by the [~~state board~~] department and providing
24 parent education. The services may be provided by [~~certified~~]
25 licensed school [~~personnel~~] employees or contracted for [~~with~~

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1 ~~other community agencies]~~ and shall be provided in age-
2 appropriate, integrated settings, including home, daycare
3 centers, head start programs, schools or community-based
4 settings."

5 Section 26. Section 22-13-7 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1972,
6 Chapter 95, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

7 "22-13-7. SPECIAL EDUCATION--RESPONSIBILITY.--

8 A. The ~~[state board]~~ department shall make, adopt
9 and keep current a state plan for special education policy,
10 programs and standards.

11 B. The department ~~[of education with the approval~~
12 ~~of the state board]~~ shall set standards for diagnosis and
13 screening of and educational offerings for ~~[exceptional]~~
14 qualified students and school-age persons receiving special
15 education in public schools; in private, nonsectarian,
16 nonprofit training centers; and in state institutions under
17 the authority of the secretary of health or the secretary of
18 children, youth and families.

19 C. The ~~[state board]~~ department shall establish
20 and maintain a program of evaluation of the implementation
21 and impact of all programs for ~~[exceptional children]~~
22 qualified students receiving special education in the public
23 schools. ~~[This]~~ The evaluation program shall be operated with
24 the cooperation of ~~[local]~~ school districts, and portions of
25 the evaluation program may be subcontracted ~~[and]~~. Periodic

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1 reports regarding the efficacy of educational programs for
2 [~~exceptional children~~] qualified students receiving special
3 education shall be made to the legislative education study
4 committee.

5 D. The department [~~of education~~] shall coordinate
6 programming related to the transition of [~~persons with~~
7 ~~disabilities~~] qualified students receiving special education
8 from secondary and post-secondary education programs to
9 employment or vocational placement."

10 Section 27. Section 22-13-8 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1972,
11 Chapter 95, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:

12 "22-13-8. SPECIAL EDUCATION--PRIVATE.--

13 A. The responsibility of school districts, state
14 institutions and the state to provide a free public education
15 for [~~exceptional children~~] qualified students who need special
16 education is not diminished by the availability of private
17 schools and services. [~~Whenever such schools or services are~~
18 ~~utilized, it continues to be~~] It is a state responsibility to
19 [~~assure~~] ensure that all [~~exceptional children~~] qualified
20 students who need special education receive the education to
21 which [~~the~~] federal and state laws [~~of the state~~] entitle them
22 whether provided by public or private schools and services.

23 B. A school district in which a private,
24 nonsectarian, nonprofit training center or residential
25 treatment center is located shall not be considered the

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1 resident school district of a school-age person in need of
2 special education if residency is based solely on the school-
3 age person's enrollment at the facility and the school-age
4 person would not otherwise be considered a resident of the
5 state.

6 C. For a qualified student or school-age person in
7 need of special education who is placed in a private,
8 nonsectarian, nonprofit training center or residential
9 treatment center by a school district or by a due process
10 decision, the school district in which the qualified student
11 or school-age person lives, whether in-state or out-of-state,
12 is responsible for the educational costs of that placement.

13 D. For a school-age person in need of special
14 education placed in a private, nonsectarian, nonprofit
15 training center or residential treatment center not as a
16 result of a due process decision but by a parent who assumes
17 the responsibility for such placement, the department shall
18 ensure that the school district in which the facility is
19 located is allocating and distributing the school-age person's
20 proportionate share of the federal Individuals with
21 Disabilities Education Act Part B funds, but the state is not
22 required to distribute state funds for that school-age person.

23 E. The department shall determine which school
24 district is responsible for the cost of educating a qualified
25 student in need of special education who has been placed in a

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1 private, nonsectarian, nonprofit training center or
2 residential treatment center outside the qualified student's
3 resident school district. The department shall determine the
4 reasonable reimbursement owed to the receiving school
5 district.

6 [B.] F. A local school board, in consultation with
7 the department, may make an agreement with a private,
8 nonsectarian, nonprofit educational training [~~centers~~] center
9 or residential treatment center for educating [~~exceptional~~
10 ~~children~~] qualified students for whom the school district is
11 responsible for providing a free appropriate public education
12 under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
13 and for providing [~~for~~] payment for [~~such~~] that education.
14 All financial agreements between local school boards and
15 private, nonsectarian, nonprofit educational training centers
16 and residential treatment centers must be negotiated in
17 accordance with [~~regulations~~] rules promulgated by the
18 [~~director~~] department. Payment for education and services
19 under [~~such~~] those agreements shall be made by the local
20 school board [~~of education~~] in which the qualified student
21 lives from available funds [~~available~~].

22 [G.] G. All agreements between local school boards
23 and private, nonsectarian, nonprofit educational training
24 centers and residential treatment centers must be reviewed and
25 approved by the [~~state superintendent~~] secretary. The

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1 agreements shall ensure that all qualified students placed in
2 a private, nonsectarian, nonprofit training center or
3 residential treatment center receive the education to which
4 they are entitled pursuant to federal and state laws. All
5 agreements must provide for:

6 (1) diagnosis [and];

7 (2) an educational program for each [child
8 which] qualified student that meets state standards for such

9 programs, except that teachers employed by private schools are
10 not required to be highly qualified;

11 (3) special education and related services
12 in conformance with an individualized education program that
13 meets the requirements of federal and state law; and

14 (4) adequate classroom and other physical
15 space provided at the training center or residential treatment
16 center that allows the school district to provide an
17 appropriate education.

18 H. The agreements must also acknowledge the
19 authority and responsibility of the local school board and the
20 department [~~of education~~] to conduct on-site evaluations of
21 programs and [~~pupil~~] student progress to [~~insure~~] ensure that
22 the education provided to the qualified student is meeting
23 state standards.

24 [~~D. Exceptional children~~] I. A qualified student
25 for whom the state is required by federal law to provide a

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1 free appropriate public education and who is attending a
2 private, nonsectarian, nonprofit training center or a
3 residential treatment center is a public school student and
4 shall be counted in the special education (HEC #14)
5 [membership] enrollment of the school district [as enrolled in
6 the Class D special education program] that is responsible for
7 the costs of educating the student (HEC #15) [and in the class
8 level identified as appropriate] as provided in the
9 individualized educational program for the student.

10 J. The department shall adopt the format to report
11 individual student data and costs for any school-age person
12 attending public or private training centers or residential
13 treatment programs and shall include those reports in the
14 student teacher accountability reporting system by using the
15 same student identification number issued to a public school
16 student pursuant to Section 22-2C-11 NMSA 1978 or by assigning
17 a unique student identifier for school-age persons, including
18 those who are not residents of this state but who are
19 attending a private training center or residential treatment
20 program in this state. Every public and private training
21 center and every public and private residential treatment
22 program that serves school-age persons in this state shall
23 comply with this provision.

24 K. The department shall promulgate rules to carry
25 out the provisions of this section."

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1 Section 28. Section 22-30-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2007,
2 Chapter 292, Section 6 and Laws 2007, Chapter 293, Section 6)
3 is amended to read:

4 "22-30-6. DISTANCE LEARNING STUDENTS.--

5 A. A student must be enrolled in a public school
6 or a state-supported school and must have the permission of
7 the student's local distance education learning site to enroll
8 in a distance learning course. A distance learning student
9 shall [~~only~~] be counted only in the student's primary
10 enrolling district for the purpose of determining the
11 [~~membership~~] enrollment used to calculate a school district's
12 state equalization guarantee. A student shall have only one
13 primary enrolling district.

14 B. A home school [~~student~~] school-age person may
15 participate in the statewide cyber academy by enrolling for
16 one-half or more of the minimum course requirements approved
17 by the department for public school students in the school
18 district in which the student resides; or, if the student is
19 enrolled for less than one-half of the minimum course
20 requirements, the student may participate in the statewide
21 cyber academy by paying not more than thirty-five percent of
22 the current [~~unit value per curricular unit~~] base per-student
23 cost.

24 C. A student enrolled in a nonpublic school may
25 participate in the statewide cyber academy if the school in

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1 which the student is enrolled enters into a contract with the
2 school district in which the nonpublic school is located to
3 pay the required tuition.

4 D. A student who is detained in or committed to a
5 juvenile detention facility or a facility for the long-term
6 care and rehabilitation of delinquent children may participate
7 in the statewide cyber academy if the facility in which the
8 student is enrolled enters into a contract with the school
9 district in which the facility is located."

10 Section 29. Section 24-3B-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1978,
11 Chapter 211, Section 4) is amended to read:

12 "24-3B-4. FUND CREATED--USE--CALCULATION.--

13 A. There is created the "department of health [~~and~~
14 ~~environment department~~] education fund" in the state treasury.

15 B. The fund shall be used solely to provide
16 educational services to institution-bound residents of the
17 state institutions under the authority of the secretary.

18 C. The secretary shall distribute the fund to
19 institutions under [~~his~~] the secretary's authority within
20 limits established by law.

21 D. The secretary shall determine the allocation to
22 each institution from the fund according to the annual program
23 cost of that institution as calculated on September 15 of the
24 fiscal year.

25 E. The annual program cost for each institution

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1 the total enrollment on the second Wednesday in October.

2 B. References in the Public School Code to the
3 eightieth day membership shall be deemed to be references to
4 the total enrollment on the second Wednesday in December.

5 C. References in the Public School Code to the one
6 hundred twentieth day membership shall be deemed to be
7 references to the total enrollment on the second Wednesday in
8 February.

9 D. References in the Public School Code to MEM or
10 membership shall be deemed to be references to enrollment.

11 Section 31. TEMPORARY PROVISION--PROJECTIONS AND BUDGET
12 PREPARATION--PRE-2010 FORMULA.--

13 A. Section 22-8-13 NMSA 1978 notwithstanding, the
14 public education department may institute new reporting dates
15 for the 2008-2009 school year as follows:

16 (1) first reporting date, second Wednesday
17 in October;

18 (2) second reporting date, second Wednesday
19 in December; and

20 (3) third reporting date, second Wednesday
21 in February.

22 B. The public education department may require
23 enrollment or other reports at other times specified by the
24 department.

25 (HAFC #9) ~~[C. The effective date of sections in this act~~

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1 ~~notwithstanding, the definitions set out in Section 22-8-2~~
2 ~~NMSA 1978 as enacted in this act shall be used to project~~
3 ~~enrollments and prepare budgets for the 2009-2010 school year.~~

4 ~~D. If the legislature does not appropriate a~~
5 ~~sufficient amount to begin using the funding formula as~~
6 ~~provided in Subsection O of Section 22-8-18 NMSA 1978, as that~~
7 ~~section is repealed and re-enacted in this 2008 act, the~~
8 ~~public education department shall use the funding formula in~~
9 ~~place on January 1, 2008 to determine and distribute the state~~
10 ~~equalization guarantee in fiscal year 2010.]~~

11 Section 32. TEMPORARY PROVISION--IMPLEMENTATION
12 COMMITTEE.--

13 A. The "funding formula (HEC #16) *accountability*
14 *and implementation assistance committee*" is created to advise
15 and assist school districts and the public education
16 department in the implementation of the funding formula and
17 other provisions of this 2008 act.

18 (HEC #17) B. *The legislature finds that a collaborative*
19 *effort among the public education department, the legislature,*
20 *school districts and interested persons will support and*
21 *enhance the implementation of this 2008 act. The legislature*
22 *finds further that a dialogue between the secretary of public*
23 *education and the other members of the committee will assist*
24 *in identifying and making recommendations regarding issues*
25 *related to full implementation of the provisions of this 2008*

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1 act, including the application of federal and other state law;
2 department staffing requirements; and accountability,
3 including the educational plan process, the budget approval
4 process, statewide program requirements and the use of
5 regional resources in implementation.

6 [B.] C. Members of the committee shall be:

7 (1) the voting members of the funding
8 formula study task force and the project advisory panel of the
9 task force;

10 (2) one superintendent of schools from a
11 rural, high-poverty, high English language learner school
12 district, appointed by the speaker of the house of
13 representatives;

14 (3) one superintendent of schools from an
15 urban school district, appointed by the president pro tempore
16 of the senate;

17 (4) the secretary of public education;

18 (5) the chairperson of the legislative
19 education study committee;

20 (6) the chairperson of the Indian education
21 advisory council (HEC #19) [~~or the chairperson's designee;~~
22 ~~and~~];

23 (7) the president of the New Mexico
24 association of bilingual educators (HEC #20) [~~or the~~
25 ~~president's designee~~];

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1 (8) the chairperson of the New Mexico
2 charter schools coalition;

3 (9) the chairperson of the Individuals with
4 Disabilities Act Part B advisory committee; and

5 (10) a representative of a statewide parent
6 organization appointed by the New Mexico legislative council
7 on the recommendation of the secretary of public education.

8 [~~G.~~] D. The co-chairs of the funding formula study
9 task force shall be the co-chairs of the funding formula
10 (HEC #21) accountability and implementation assistance
11 committee.

12 [~~D.~~] E. Members who are not state employees are
13 entitled to receive per diem and mileage expenses as provided
14 in the Per Diem and Mileage Act.

15 [~~E.~~] F. Staff for the committee shall be provided
16 by the legislative council service, the legislative education
17 study committee, the legislative finance committee, the public
18 education department and the office of education
19 accountability. The legislative council service or other
20 staff may contract for expert and technical assistance for the
21 committee as needed.

22 F. The committee shall:

23 (1) develop a work plan and budget for
24 approval by the New Mexico legislative council;

25 (2) advise, assist and monitor the progress.

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1 of school districts and the public education department in the
2 planning phase of this 2008 act;

3 (3) meet with and provide assistance to the
4 public education department's staff or other planning and
5 implementation groups established by the secretary of public
6 education;

7 (4) provide regular reports to the
8 legislative education study committee, the legislative finance
9 committee and the governor, which reports may be in person or
10 written as requested; and

11 (5) report its findings and recommendations,
12 including recommendations for statutory changes, to the
13 legislature and the governor by January 15, 2009.

14 Section 33. REPEAL.--Sections 22-8-3, 22-8-7.1,
15 22-8-19, 22-8-20 through 22-8-23.8, 22-8-25.1 and
16 22-13-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1988, Chapter 64, Section 14;
17 Laws 1993, Chapter 224, Section 1; Laws 1974, Chapter 8,
18 Section 9; Laws 1991, Chapter 85, Section 3; Laws 1969,
19 Chapter 180, Section 17; Laws 1974, Chapter 8, Section 13;
20 Laws 1975, Chapter 119, Section 1; Laws 1990 (1st S.S.),
21 Chapter 3, Sections 7 and 8; Laws 1993, Chapter 237, Section
22 2; Laws 1997, Chapter 40, Section 7; Laws 2003, Chapter 144,
23 Section 2 and Laws 2003 Chapter 152, Section 9; Laws 2003,
24 Chapter 144, Section 3 and Laws 2003, Chapter 152, Section 8;
25 Laws 2006, Chapter 94, Section 15; Laws 2007, Chapter 348,

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1 Section 1; Laws 2007, Chapter 365, Section 2; Laws 1985 (1st
2 S.S.), Chapter 15, Section 17; and Laws 1972, Chapter 95,
3 Section 2, as amended) are repealed.

4 Section 34. EFFECTIVE DATE.--

5 A. The effective date of the provisions of
6 Sections 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, (HEC #22) [~~and~~] 22 and
7 28 of this act is July 1, 2008.

8 B. The effective date of the provisions of
9 Sections 3, 6, 7, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, (HEC #23)
10 [~~28~~] 29, 30 and 33 of this act is (HAFC #10) [~~July 1, 2009~~]
11 *the beginning of the fiscal year for which the legislature has*
12 *provided in the general appropriation act or similar*
13 *legislation for the implementation of the funding formula*
14 *provided for in Section 17 of this 2008 act.*

15 C. The effective date of the provisions of
16 Sections 1, 15, 21, 25, 26, 27, 31, 32 and 34 of this act is
17 May 14, 2008.

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DISTRICT AND CHARTER SCHOOL 2007-2008 CALCULATORS**

Data Element	Calculator Data Based on School Year	Source	Description for Future Calculations
<i>User Input Cost Factors</i>			
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• Percent English Learners	2006-2007	STARS	Prior year 80/120 day average percent
• Percent Special Education	2006-2007	STARS	Prior year 80/120 day average percent
• Percent Mobility	2006-2007	STARS	Prior year mobility rate
• Enrollment Share in Grades 6-8	2006-2007	STARS	Calculated using prior year 80/120 day average enrollment
• Enrollment Share in Grades 9-12	2006-2007	STARS	Calculated using prior year 80/120 day average enrollment
• Total District Enrollment	2006-2007	STARS	Prior year 80/120 average enrollment for a district with stable or declining enrollment <i>or</i> the greater of the current year 40-day enrollment or the prior year 80/120 day average enrollment for a district experiencing growth

Data Element	Calculator Data Based on School Year	Source	Description for Future Calculations
<i>Base Per-Pupil Cost</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$5,106 – school district \$6,907 – charter school 	2007-2008	Determined by AIR and based on the “sufficient instructional program” designed by the Professional Judgment Panels (PJPs) and the Project Advisory Panel (PAP); based on the average-sized district (3,532 students) or the average-sized charter school (160 students)	Annually adjusted by PED to reflect the legislative appropriation
<i>Index of Staff Qualifications (ISQ) Formula Adjustment</i>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raw ISQ (not shown in table) 	2006 October payroll	Extrapolated by AIR from data provided by PED	Calculated by district/charter school using the number of full-time equivalent instructional staff on the October payroll of the prior year (same as for the current T&E Index)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adjusted ISQ (shown in table) 		Adjusted ISQ = (Raw ISQ × Percent of salary and benefit expenditures for instructional personnel) + (1 – Percent of salary and benefit expenditures for instructional personnel)	Defaults to 1.000 if less than 1.000 (According to AIR, the value of 1.000 in the new ISQ corresponds to the average compensation levels used in the school prototypes developed by the PJPs and the PAP to develop the sufficiency cost estimates.)
<i>Comparison Information</i>			
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• Percent Mobility	2006-2007	STARS	Prior year mobility rate
• Enrollment Share in Grades 6-8	2006-2007	STARS	Calculated using prior year 80/120 day average enrollment
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STUDENTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AS A PERCENT OF TOTAL ENROLLMENT
 STUDENTS IN PROGRAMS FOR THE GIFTED AS A PERCENT OF TOTAL ENROLLMENT
 BASED ON THE 2007-2008 120-DAY STARS REPORT (does not include charter schools)

District	Total Enrollment	Special Education Service Level*				Total Special Education Excluding Gifted	Percent Special Education	Greater Than 16%	Gifted Service Level*				Total Gifted	Percent Gifted	
		A	B	C	D				A	B	C	D			
1 ALAMOGORDO	6,344	324	262	202	268	1,056	16.6%	Yes	173	134	0	0	307	4.8%	1
2 ALBUQUERQUE	87,627	1,042	3,293	2,000	5,423	11,758	13.4%		813	3,443	188	19	4,463	5.1%	2
3 ANIMAS	274	7	15	7	14	43	15.7%		9	1	0	0	10	3.6%	3
4 ARTESIA	3,497	174	158	132	139	603	17.2%	Yes	78	30	0	0	108	3.1%	4
5 AZTEC	3,030	106	160	187	146	599	19.8%	Yes	57	23	0	0	80	2.6%	5
6 BELEN	4,712	228	252	208	241	929	19.7%	Yes	68	6	0	0	74	1.6%	6
7 BERNALILLO	3,176	40	138	173	206	557	17.5%	Yes	6	58	0	0	64	2.0%	7
8 BLOOMFIELD	3,115	137	186	127	132	582	18.7%	Yes	143	51	0	0	194	6.2%	8
9 CAPITAN	540	10	29	3	6	48	8.9%		1	0	0	0	1	0.2%	9
10 CARLSBAD	5,898	253	270	237	207	967	16.4%	Yes	376	2	0	0	378	6.4%	10
11 CARRIZOZO	204	5	14	1	3	23	11.3%		2	0	0	0	2	1.0%	11
12 CENTRAL CONS.	6,859	170	349	293	317	1,129	16.5%	Yes	304	56	0	0	360	5.2%	12
13 CHAMA	434	38	15	6	16	75	17.3%	Yes	8	1	0	0	9	2.1%	13
14 CIMARRON	455	24	26	3	12	65	14.3%		4	1	0	0	5	1.1%	14
15 CLAYTON	552	26	36	7	18	87	15.8%		3	0	0	0	3	0.5%	15
16 CLOUDCROFT	461	18	28	7	9	62	13.4%		25	7	0	0	32	6.9%	16
17 CLOVIS	8,056	303	390	179	226	1,098	13.6%		363	0	0	0	363	4.5%	17
18 COBRE CONS.	1,415	56	90	60	60	266	18.8%	Yes	10	2	0	0	12	0.8%	18
19 CORONA	82	4	4	0	1	9	11.0%		3	0	0	0	3	3.7%	19
20 CUBA	701	25	36	21	29	111	15.8%		4	0	0	0	4	0.6%	20
21 DEMING	5,302	133	167	122	171	593	11.2%		100	12	0	0	112	2.1%	21
22 DES MOINES	93	2	3	1	1	7	7.5%		1	0	0	0	1	1.1%	22
23 DEXTER	1,087	83	55	14	27	179	16.5%	Yes	9	45	0	0	54	5.0%	23
24 DORA	242	13	18	1	18	50	20.7%	Yes	5	0	0	0	5	2.1%	24
25 DULCE	733	4	36	37	19	96	13.1%		1	0	0	0	1	0.1%	25
26 ELIDA	117	15	2	0	4	21	17.9%	Yes	2	0	0	0	2	1.7%	26
27 ESPANOLA	4,230	166	133	88	103	490	11.6%		29	0	0	0	29	0.7%	27
28 ESTANCIA	1,031	55	46	19	15	135	13.1%		19	9	0	0	28	2.7%	28
29 EUNICE	557	20	42	10	8	80	14.4%		7	0	0	0	7	1.3%	29
30 FARMINGTON	10,141	234	475	251	310	1,270	12.5%		85	439	0	0	524	5.2%	30
31 FLOYD	249	21	13	5	10	49	19.7%	Yes	4	0	0	0	4	1.6%	31
32 FT SUMNER	325	34	9	6	19	68	20.9%	Yes	21	0	0	0	21	6.5%	32
33 GADSDEN	13,859	430	507	538	377	1,852	13.4%		188	34	0	0	222	1.6%	33
34 GALLUP	12,528	286	398	301	420	1,405	11.2%		99	233	1	0	333	2.7%	34
35 GRADY	133	7	7	0	9	23	17.3%	Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	35
36 GRANTS	3,619	120	143	96	166	525	14.5%		41	12	0	0	53	1.5%	36
37 HAGERMAN	447	20	37	10	15	82	18.3%	Yes	10	0	0	0	10	2.2%	37
38 HATCH	1,388	63	51	16	30	160	11.5%		5	0	0	0	5	0.4%	38
39 HOBBS	7,827	258	257	117	261	893	11.4%		219	0	0	0	219	2.8%	39
40 HONDO	127	4	6	1	1	12	9.4%		3	1	0	0	4	3.1%	40
41 HOUSE	113	6	4	1	5	16	14.2%		0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	41
42 JAL	432	27	9	9	27	72	16.7%	Yes	6	0	0	0	6	1.4%	42
43 JEMEZ MOUNTAIN	343	13	2	13	8	36	10.5%		2	0	0	0	2	0.6%	43
44 JEMEZ VALLEY	325	8	22	12	9	51	15.7%		7	0	0	0	7	2.2%	44
45 LAKE ARTHUR	158	10	9	2	9	30	19.0%	Yes	1	0	0	0	1	0.6%	45
46 LAS CRUCES	23,595	689	968	768	1,198	3,623	15.4%		1,681	34	0	0	1,715	7.3%	46
47 LAS VEGAS CITY	2,035	90	129	75	54	348	17.1%	Yes	61	58	0	0	119	5.8%	47
48 LOGAN	226	14	10	2	10	36	15.9%		0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	48
49 LORDSBURG	686	33	30	19	47	129	18.8%	Yes	8	3	0	0	11	1.6%	49

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51 LOS LUNAS	8,528	455	293	269	287	1,304	15.3%		148	57	58	0	263	3.1%	51
52 LOVING	564	24	22	7	15	68	12.1%		6	0	0	0	6	1.1%	52
53 LOVINGTON	3,168	141	100	69	229	539	17.0%	Yes	45	125	0	0	170	5.4%	53
54 MAGDALENA	447	16	29	17	25	87	19.5%	Yes	6	3	0	0	9	2.0%	54
55 MAXWELL	99	11	8	0	5	24	24.2%	Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	55
56 MELROSE	219	19	9	1	22	51	23.3%	Yes	11	3	0	0	14	6.4%	56
57 MESA VISTA	424	18	26	8	12	64	15.1%		6	0	0	0	6	1.4%	57
58 MORA	573	31	29	12	11	83	14.5%		7	7	0	0	14	2.4%	58
59 MORIARTY	3,589	100	169	126	66	461	12.8%		100	108	0	0	208	5.8%	59
60 MOSQUERO	38	4	4	0	0	8	21.1%	Yes	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	60
61 MOUNTAINAIR	329	14	21	11	14	60	18.2%	Yes	4	0	0	0	4	1.2%	61
62 PECOS	720	51	88	9	25	173	24.0%	Yes	18	0	0	0	18	2.5%	62
63 PENASCO	541	22	15	19	24	80	14.8%		7	2	0	0	9	1.7%	63
64 POJOAQUE	1,994	31	180	88	46	345	17.3%	Yes	9	36	0	0	45	2.3%	64
65 PORTALES	2,811	147	95	98	114	454	16.2%	Yes	41	16	0	0	57	2.0%	65
66 QUEMADO	173	3	6	2	1	12	6.9%		1	0	0	0	1	0.6%	66
67 QUESTA	427	22	15	24	10	71	16.6%	Yes	1	0	0	0	1	0.2%	67
68 RATON	1,353	74	72	40	50	236	17.4%	Yes	0	18	0	0	18	1.3%	68
69 RESERVE	185	4	12	10	16	42	22.7%	Yes	4	0	0	0	4	2.2%	69
70 RIO RANCHO	15,585	381	212	549	828	1,970	12.6%		253	368	0	0	621	4.0%	70
71 ROSWELL	9,378	331	601	182	436	1,550	16.5%	Yes	121	504	0	20	645	6.9%	71
72 ROY	85	11	0	0	0	11	12.9%		1	0	0	0	1	1.2%	72
73 RUIDOSO	2,239	62	129	66	55	312	13.9%		78	0	0	0	78	3.5%	73
74 SAN JON	152	14	6	0	6	26	17.1%	Yes	2	0	0	0	2	1.3%	74
75 SANTA FE	12,268	354	632	413	357	1,756	14.3%		95	276	0	0	371	3.0%	75
76 SANTA ROSA	634	2	15	34	22	73	11.5%		5	0	0	0	5	0.8%	76
77 SILVER CITY	3,106	96	146	107	54	403	13.0%		32	33	0	0	65	2.1%	77
78 SOCORRO	1,767	93	95	46	62	296	16.8%	Yes	30	34	0	0	64	3.6%	78
79 SPRINGER	196	13	17	1	0	31	15.8%		0	0	0	0	0	0.0%	79
80 TAOS	2,756	108	90	78	185	461	16.7%	Yes	71	70	0	0	141	5.1%	80
81 TATUM	319	6	18	2	21	47	14.7%		2	0	0	0	2	0.6%	81
82 TEXICO	524	27	16	5	14	62	11.8%		7	0	0	0	7	1.3%	82
83 TRUTH OR CONS.	1,452	48	94	66	65	273	18.8%	Yes	69	2	0	0	71	4.9%	83
84 TUCUMCARI	1,065	54	24	25	88	191	17.9%	Yes	10	19	0	0	29	2.7%	84
85 TULAROSA	977	25	45	15	18	103	10.5%		11	6	0	0	17	1.7%	85
86 VAUGHN	98	6	9	2	3	20	20.4%	Yes	1	0	0	0	1	1.0%	86
87 WAGON MOUND	160	10	3	0	79	92	57.5%	Yes	1	0	0	0	1	0.6%	87
88 WEST LAS VEGAS	1,691	65	56	56	39	216	12.8%		21	0	0	0	21	1.2%	88
89 ZUNI	1,499	62	81	39	34	216	14.4%		3	0	0	0	3	0.2%	89
90 STATEWIDE	314,979	8,958	13,011	8,966	14,357	45,292	14.4%	41	6,732	6,402	247	39	13,420	4.3%	90

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1 ALAMOGORDO	6,344	324	262	202	268	1,056	16.6%	Yes	173	134	0	0	307	4.8%	1
2 ALBUQUERQUE	87,627	1,042	3,293	2,000	5,423	11,758	13.4%		813	3,443	188	19	4,463	5.1%	2
3 ANIMAS	274	7	15	7	14	43	15.7%		9	1	0	0	10	3.6%	3
4 ARTESIA	3,497	174	158	132	139	603	17.2%	Yes	78	30	0	0	108	3.1%	4
5 AZTEC	3,030	106	160	187	146	599	19.8%	Yes	57	23	0	0	80	2.6%	5
6 BELEN	4,712	228	252	208	241	929	19.7%	Yes	68	6	0	0	74	1.6%	6
7 BERNALILLO	3,176	40	138	173	206	557	17.5%	Yes	6	58	0	0	64	2.0%	7
8 BLOOMFIELD	3,115	137	186	127	132	582	18.7%	Yes	143	51	0	0	194	6.2%	8
9 CAPITAN	540	10	29	3	6	48	8.9%		1	0	0	0	1	0.2%	9
10 CARLSBAD	5,898	253	270	237	207	967	16.4%	Yes	376	2	0	0	378	6.4%	10
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25 DULCE	733	4	36	37	19	96	13.1%		1	0	0	0	1	0.1%	25
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