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SENATE BILL 135

47TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2005

INTRODUCED BY

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AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR A LEADERSHIP
ACADEMY FOR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION;
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

Section 1. A new section of the School Personnel Act is
enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] LEADERSHIP ACADEMY.--The department shall
institute a leadership academy for level three-A and three-B
licensees teaching or administering in public school districts,
including charter schools. The leadership academy shall
emphasize leadership training for level three-A teachers and
school principals, but may provide courses for other school
administrators and local school board members. The leadership
academy shall not provide training in administrative functions.

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1 Proven leadership curricula may be purchased or received gratis
2 from public or private sources. The department may conduct the
3 leadership academy at one or more sites in New Mexico and is
4 encouraged to select sites with appropriate facilities for
5 residential programs. A leadership academy class may be of any
6 duration as determined by the curriculum. The department shall
7 notify each school district of the number and type of teachers
8 or school administrators eligible to attend each leadership
9 academy class. The department shall provide by rule how school
10 personnel apply for and are accepted to the leadership academy.
11 The department may charge tuition for leadership academy
12 classes. Participants may receive per diem and mileage
13 expenses as provided for employees in the Per Diem and Mileage
14 Act or the department may determine by rule when a per diem
15 allowance shall not be paid because room and board are provided
16 by the academy. The department may use part of the
17 appropriation for the leadership academy to pay the direct cost
18 of providing room and board for participants or to reimburse
19 participants for per diem and mileage expenses."

20 Section 2. APPROPRIATION. -- Three hundred thousand dollars
21 (\$300,000) is appropriated from the general fund to the public
22 education department for expenditure in fiscal years 2005 and
23 2006 to develop and conduct a leadership academy, with an
24 emphasis on leadership training for level three-A teachers and
25 school principals. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance

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1 remaining at the end of fiscal year 2006 shall revert to the
2 general fund.

3 Section 3. EMERGENCY.--It is necessary for the public
4 peace, health and safety that this act take effect immediately.

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