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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Vigil DATE TYPED 3-1-05 HB HJM 93

SHORT TITLE School Transportation Funds for Bus Passes SB _____

ANALYST Segura

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
	NFI				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Public Education Department (PED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Joint Memorial 93 requests the PED to study the feasibility of permitting school districts to use state school transportation distribution funds to provide municipal bus tokens to high school inter-zone transfer students to travel to and from the school of their choice. The joint memorial requests the PED to include input from interested parties, including school district representatives, municipal transportation officials and the families of inter-zone students.

Significant Issues

According to PED, the school transportation distribution funds are used to provide to-and-from-school transportation services by school buses. Funds are specifically for transporting children or for parental reimbursement when school bus services are not available in accordance with section 22-16-6 NMSA 1978.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

House Joint Memorial 93 does not contain an appropriation.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

According to PED, school district administrators may inherit additional responsibility monitoring other public forms of transportation.

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