

**LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE  
BILL ANALYSIS**

**Bill No:** SB 626

**49th Legislature, 1st Session, 2009**

**Short Title:** Charter School Student Activities Within Zone

**Sponsor(s):** Senator Howie C. Morales and Others

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**Bill Summary:**

SB 626 amends the *Public School Finance Act* to limit a charter school student's participation in school activities governed by the New Mexico Activities Association (NMAA) to the school in the student's attendance zone.

**Fiscal Impact:**

SB 626 makes no appropriation.

**Issues:**

The analysis of SB 626 by the Public Education Department (PED) indicates that the bill would align the participation of charter school students in NMAA activities with the same guidelines applicable to students in general.

**Background:**

Legislation enacted in 2006 (effective July 1, 2007):

- allowed a student in a charter school to participate in school activities in the public school in the student's attendance zone;
- provided a cost differential factor in the Public School Funding Formula of 0.1, payable to the school district in which it is generated; and
- allowed a charter school student to participate in the activities of another school, subject to the transfer guidelines of the NMAA.

**Related Bill:**

HB 704 *Home School Students in District Activities*