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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS
2019 REGULAR SESSION**

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Check all that apply:
Original **Amendment**
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Date 3/1/19
Bill No: SB576

Sponsor: <u>Sen. Kernan</u>	Agency Name and Code Number: <u>924 PED</u>
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY19	FY20		
NFI	NFI	N/A	

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY19	FY20	FY21		
NFI	NFI	NFI	N/A	

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY19	FY20	FY21	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	NFI	NFI	NFI	N/A	N/A	

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to: None noted
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act: None noted

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis:

SB576 amends Section 22-5-4.8 NMSA Area Vocational High Schools to broaden the location of area vocational high schools. SB576 clarifies that multiple local school boards may work together to develop plans to establish area vocational high schools. It updates references to approval to reference the public education department.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

SB576 does not make an appropriation. By broadening the base upon which an area technical school is supported, the financial levy expands to encompass more district residents. The impact on New Mexico property owner taxpayers is unknown.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

SB576 expands the potential area covered by an area vocational high school. It allows funding via levy, and the expanded area is likely to broaden the tax base that can be levied. **PED General council should be consulted to evaluate this more extensively.**

The area vocational high school is required to be in “compliance with the state plan for vocational education.” This language is likely a reference to the state plan submitted in support of federal funding via the Carl D. Perkins CTE Act of 2006. The Perkins Act included vocational high schools until 2008, after which time federal funding for vocational high schools was discontinued. New Mexico does not currently have a state plan for vocational high schools. The only state plan for CTE education, and the only funding for CTE education in New Mexico, is related to the Perkins Act. In summer of 2018 the Perkins Act was reauthorized, and the state is currently in the process of drafting a new state plan that will go into effect July 1, 2020.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

None noted.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

None noted.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None noted.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

SB576 updates language within the statute; however, it still utilizes “vocational” in the title. Some scholars distinguish between vocational education and modern career and technical education, while others indicate that the phrase *career and technical education* replaced the term *vocational education*. It might be appropriate to modify the “vocational” references to more modern terminology.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

None noted.

ALTERNATIVES

None noted.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

Technical issues would remain in the statute.

AMENDMENTS

22-5-4 could be updated to *career and technical education*.