

**Department of Planning and Budget  
2006 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number** SB499 ER

<b>House of Origin</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
<b>Second House</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron** Puckett

**3. Committee** Passed Both Houses

**4. Title** Requirements for home instruction of children.

**5. Summary/Purpose:**

Modifies the criteria that a parent must meet to provide home instruction to their children, by providing that a parent who holds a high school diploma, rather than a baccalaureate degree, meets the requirements.

**6. No Fiscal Impact.**

**7. Budget amendment necessary:** No.

**8. Fiscal implications:** This legislation would make more individuals eligible to provide home instruction; however, it is anticipated that any increase in the number of students receiving home instruction would be negligible. To have a significant fiscal impact, a large number of students would have to switch to home instruction and withdraw from public school systems. If this were to occur, enrollment levels for school divisions would decrease causing a corresponding reduction in state funding for public education.

**9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:** Home school students.

**10. Technical amendment necessary:** No.

**11. Other comments:** This bill is identical to HB 1340.

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