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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE <u>Sandoval County Domestic Violence Training</u>	ORIGINAL DATE <u>1/22/2024</u>
	BILL NUMBER <u>House Bill 52/aHCPAC</u>
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APPROPRIATION* (dollars in thousands)

FY24	FY25	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
	\$100.0	Nonrecurring	General Fund

Parenteses () indicate expenditure decreases.
 *Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

Sources of Information

LFC Files

Agency Analysis Received From
 Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)
 Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of HCPAC Amendment

The House Consumer and Public Affairs Committee amendment to House Bill 52 requires the training to be provided by an entity or individual certified by either the New Mexico Law Enforcement Academy or a national accrediting law enforcement agency or by an entity or individual that has provided domestic violence training in the past to New Mexico law enforcement agencies.

Synopsis of House Bill 52

House Bill 52 appropriates \$100 thousand from the general fund to DFA for expenditure in fiscal year 2025 for Sandoval County to provide domestic violence training to municipal, county, and tribal law enforcement, probation and parole officers, court personnel, and victim advocates.

This bill does not contain an effective date and, as a result, would go into effect 90 days after the Legislature adjourns, or May 15, 2024, if enacted.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100 thousand contained in this bill is a nonrecurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY25 shall revert to the general fund.

According to AOC, the appropriation and purpose of the legislation may be duplicative in that Sandoval County already has a Coordinated Community Response (CCR) multidisciplinary team that includes law enforcement and advocates that meet monthly to address domestic violence. The court also provides training on domestic violence court rules and procedures for court staff.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The bill provides additional one-time funding to support more advanced training for law enforcement officers in Sandoval County when dealing with domestic assault cases.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

To distribute funding, DFA reports it would need to enter into a grant agreement with Sandoval County to obligate funds and issue payment reimbursements. Sandoval County would be required to follow the Procurement Code requirements for request for proposals for professional services.

RELATIONSHIP

The LFC recommendation for Children, Youth & Families Department (CYFD) for FY25 includes an increase of \$300 thousand for domestic violence programs.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

DFA notes that the University of New Mexico's CCR team provides domestic violence training for law enforcement (<https://ccrt.unm.edu/training/dvrc-training-for-law-enforcement.html>). The New Mexico Coalition Against Domestic Violence also provides domestic violence training across the state (<https://www.nmcadv.org/upcomingtrainings>). These trainings are supported by funding from CYFD. According to DFA, the goal of the CCR project is to improve the response to and prevention of domestic violence with a plan using an integrated service delivery approach.

ALTERNATIVES

The appropriation may be best administered by CYFD to help improve the criminal justice response to violent crimes including domestic violence, sexual assault, and dating violence.

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