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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 02/16/09

SPONSOR Tripp LAST UPDATED _____ HB 456

SHORT TITLE Purchase Police Dog Protective Vests SB _____

ANALYST Weber

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY09	FY10	FY11	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
Total		None	None	None		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

Department of Public Safety (DPS)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 456 amends 29-13-7 to include permissive uses of distributions from the Law Enforcement Protection Fund to include protective vests for police dogs. The purpose of the Law Enforcement Protection Fund Act is to provide for the equitable distribution of money to municipal police, university police, tribal police and county sheriff's departments for use in the maintenance and improvement of efficiencies and effectiveness of law enforcement services. In addition funds may be used to sustain at a reasonable level the payments available to the surviving eligible family members of a peace officer killed in the line of duty.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The fund is supported from ten percent of all money received for fees, licenses, penalties and taxes from life, general casualty and title insurance business pursuant to the New Mexico Insurance Code, except for money received from the health insurance premium surtax. A distribution is made from the fund for approved purposes according to a statutory allocation. This bill changes the permitted uses but not the distribution formula so no additional funds would be required.

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