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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Tsosie DATE TYPED: 02/07/01 HB _____
 SHORT TITLE: Native American Prescription Drug Program SB 140/aSIAC
 ANALYST: Wilson

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
\$ 25.0	See Narrative			Recurring	GF

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Health Policy Commission

SUMMARY

Synopsis of SIAC [Senate Indian Affairs Committee] Amendment

The amendment changes style and adds the Indian Health Services as a cooperating agency.

Synopsis of Original Bill

SB 140 appropriates \$25,000 to the Agency on Aging for the development of a statewide prescription drug discount program. This is intended to help establish a Native American prescription drug bulk funding program.

Significant Issues

Native American tribes use their purchasing power to negotiate for discounted prices on prescription drugs, and there may be a potential to increase this purchasing power with additional participants. The bill contains an emergency clause.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

\$25.0 from the general fund is appropriated to State Agency on Aging. There is an emergency clause so that the funds can be spent in FY01 and FY02.

RELATIONSHIP

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SB 140, SB 141, SB 142, SB 143 and SB 144 all relate to drug pricing and purchasing.

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