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### FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Abeyta	DATE TYPED:	02/02/00	HB	161
SHORT TITLE:	Local Government Detention Costs			SB	
				ANALYST:	Gonzales

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY00	FY01	FY00	FY01		
	\$ 100.0			Non-Recurring	GF

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Local Government Division, Department of Finance and Administration

## **SUMMARY**

### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 161 makes a \$100.0 general fund appropriation to pay the detention costs owed by Mora county to San Miguel county.

### Significant Issues

The LGD indicated that an appropriation of this kind is a one-time solution to a problem that is recurring in many counties due to the substantial increase in the number of prisoner days in county jails in recent years.

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

This bill appropriates \$100.0 from the general fund to LGD to pay directly to San Miguel county. As of January 25, 2000, the current balance due San Miguel county from Mora county is approximately \$63.0. Unexpended or unencumbered balances remaining at the end of FY01 revert to the general fund.

## **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

According to LGD, many county jails are experiencing dramatic increases in the number of prisoner days of

incarceration time and the associated increase in operating costs for the facilities. Many of the prisoners are out-of-county or out-of-state residents.

Mora county has statutory authority to impose an additional 1/4% in gross receipts rates subject to voter approval which would raise approximately an additional \$67.5 for general purposes. The revenue, however would not be available until FY01 due to the need for holding special elections to obtain voter approval and the statutory timing of the effective dates for increases in gross receipts tax rates.

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