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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Stewart		DATE TYPED:	02/21/01	HB	544
SHORT TITLE: Temporary		Temporary Lodging f	or Cancer Patients	s	SB	
	_			ANAL	YST:	Esquibel

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained			Estimated Add	litional Impact	Recurring	Fund
FY01		FY02	FY01	FY02	or Non-Rec	Affected
\$	200.0*				Recurring	General Fund

^{*}These funds available in FY01 and FY02.

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

NM Health Policy Commission (HPC)

No Response

Department of Health (DOH)

UNM Health Sciences Center

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 544 appropriates \$200.0 from the general fund to DOH for the purpose of providing temporary lodging in a residential facility in Albuquerque specifically for adult and child cancer patients and their families visiting Albuquerque for treatment purposes.

Significant Issues

The General Appropriation Act of 2000 included \$50.0 for this facility (Casa Esperanza). Currently, HB2 contains no funding for the facility.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$200.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY02 shall revert to the general fund.

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HPC indicates the bill includes no criteria (i.e., specified income level) as to who may use the facility. RAE/ar