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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE: Tobacco Settlement Program Fund Distributions			SB		
		ANALYS		YST:	Esquibel

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring	Fund
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02	or Non-Rec	Affected
	\$ 15,075.0			Recurring	Tobacco

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to the General Appropriation Act See Significant Issues and Fiscal Narrative

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Veterans' Service Commission LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 129 appropriates \$15,075.0 from the tobacco settlement program fund to the Department of Health (DOH), UNM health sciences center, State Department of Public Education, and the Veterans' Service Commission for the purpose of conducting several programs and services.

Significant Issues

House Bill 2 contains recommendations for using the tobacco settlement program funds based on the LFC recommendation and the interim legislative tobacco revenue oversight committee (see attached).

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$15,075.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the tobacco settlement program fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY02 shall revert to the tobacco settlement program fund.

Attached spreadsheet contains the LFC recommendations based on the tobacco oversight committee's recommendations and contained in HB2.

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TECHNICAL ISSUES

The Veterans' Service Commission indicates the bill is unclear if veterans needing assistance must be currently residing in a homeless shelter, and if the funds would have to be used for the facility or if they could be used to fund a therapist to treat a veterans in a facility.

RAE/ar/njw Attachments