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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Rodella DATE TYPED: 02/06/01 HB 425  
 SHORT TITLE: Contract Services for Drug Abuse Prevention SB \_\_\_\_\_  
 ANALYST: Chabot

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
	\$ 986.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files  
 Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD)  
 Health Policy Commission (HPC)

No Response  
 Department of Health (DOH)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

This bill appropriates \$986.0 from the general fund to CYFD for the purpose of contracting for services in the prevention of alcohol, tobacco and other drug abuse, in particular the spread and alarming consequences of drugs commonly known as black tar heroin and ecstasy. This is to be done through the operation of a youth teen center that provides programs for substance abuse prevention, life skills training and character development, and cultural, recreational and alternative activities in Arroyo Seco in northern Santa Fe and Rio Arriba counties.

#### Significant Issues

According to HPC, the death rate in Rio Arriba County from drug-overdoses is now the highest per capita in the nation. Research suggests that recreational programs that offer a consistent message of substance abuse prevention coupled with programs that emphasize demand-reduction, life skills development, and character development can be effective in persuading young people not to abuse drugs. CYFD does not have a facility in this location.

### PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

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One output measure is proposed:

Number of clients served by the contract services for the prevention of alcohol, tobacco and drug abuse in Arroyo Seco.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$986.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the general fund.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

While the bill specifies contract services, the extent of the contract is not specified. Since CYFD does not have a facility in Arroyo Seco, the department would try to contract for the specified services including a contractor-operated teen center.

### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

HPC states that DOH receives funding through a federal substance abuse treatment and prevention block grant and should be considered for this appropriation. If services are to be provided for individuals older than 18 years of age, DOH would need to administer those services. DOH did not respond to the request for analysis.

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