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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Boykin DATE TYPED 01/30/04 HB 13/aHEC

SHORT TITLE Expand NMSU Intercollegiate Sports SB \_\_\_\_\_

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### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY04	FY05	FY04	FY05		
	\$250.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates SB 63

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Commission on Higher Education Funding Recommendations for FY05

#### Response Received From

New Mexico State University (NMSU)

#### No Response

Commission on Higher Education (CHE)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of HEC Amendment

The House Education Committee adds a program evaluation requirement that reads as follows:

“The institution receiving the appropriation in this bill shall submit a program evaluation to the Legislative Finance Committee and the Commission on Higher Education by August 2007 detailing the benefits to the State of New Mexico from having implemented this program over a three period.”

Synopsis of Original Bill

House Bill 13 appropriates \$250,000 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of NMSU to expand the intercollegiate sports program at NMSU to meet membership criterion of the Nation Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

Significant Issues

The analysis provided by NMSU indicates that new NCAA Division I-A and federal requirements are being imposed that will necessitate New Mexico State University adding a new NCAA program, the sport of women's equestrian, to include scholarships, coaching and an athletic trainer.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$250.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY05 shall revert to the general fund.

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

The funding recommendation for intercollegiate athletics submitted to the CHE by the NMSU Board of Regents includes a program change of \$250,000, presumably for the expansion of athletics. The analysis prepared by NMSU states these funds, if appropriated, will be used to start a new program for women. However, documents prepared by the CHE suggest this recommendation was not approved by the Commission.

**AMENDMENT**

The following language is suggested for all new recurring higher education programs and expansion of current programs (assuming that funding will continue beyond FY05):

“The institution receiving the appropriation in this bill shall submit a program evaluation to the Legislative Finance Committee and the Commission on Higher Education by August 2007 detailing the benefits to the State of New Mexico from having implemented this program over a three period.”

**POSSIBLE QUESTIONS**

1. Was this request approved by the CHE?
2. What will happen if this request is not approved?

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