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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Park DATE TYPED 2/4/04 HB 382

SHORT TITLE UNM Young Children's Medical Center SB \_\_\_\_\_

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### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY04	FY05	FY04	FY05		
	\$100.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Revenue Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files  
 Commission on Higher Education Funding Recommendations for FY05  
 UNM, Health Services (telephone interview)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 382 appropriates \$100 thousand from the general fund to Board of /Regents of the University of New Mexico to operate a young children's medical center in the southeast heights of Albuquerque.

#### Significant Issues

The Young Children's Center is a line item for UNM in the General Appropriation Act. The appropriation in this bill is intended to restore cuts in services that were necessitated by funding reductions of 15% in FY03 and 5% in FY04 along with a .2% "sanding" in FY03. The funding reductions totaled \$93.5 thousand and have led to reductions in services and staff. It is reported that, over a two year period, staff was reduced by 2.6 FTE: 1 FTE, 1 FTE social worker and 3 social workers at .2 FTE each. It is further reported that the Director has placed himself on administrative leave and taken a position in another UNM health services program and is directing the center on a part-time basis – his own time.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$100 thousand 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 Young Children's Medical Center serves a culturally diverse population in southeast Albuquerque, provides primary health and behavioral health care to children, adolescents and families. The Center also serves as a "medical home" for special needs patients in the area.

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