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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Pinto DATE TYPED 2/07/04 HB _____

SHORT TITLE San Juan and McKinley County Emergency Services SB 551

ANALYST Weber

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY04	FY05	FY04	FY05		
	600.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 551 appropriates \$600 thousand from the general fund to the Department of Indian Affairs for the purpose of contracting with the Navajo Nation for emergency management services in San Juan and McKinley counties.

Significant Issues

The Department of Indian Affairs reports:

Tribal Governments were not included in the federal government's Homeland Security Act. Due to the oversight, it is difficult for Tribes to access federal dollars to help protect the country from terrorism. In partnership with counties, New Mexico Tribes and Pueblos have just begun to access some of these dollars. The Navajo Nation, which is the largest Indian nation by people and land mass in the state and the country, requires more assistance in preventing terrorism acts.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$600 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2005 shall revert to the general fund.

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