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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Anderson DATE TYPED 2/23/05 HB 1032

SHORT TITLE Increase State Police & Support Staff SB _____

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APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
	\$15,777.2			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Response Received From
Department of Public Safety

No Response
State Personnel

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 1032 appropriates \$15,777,168 from the general fund to Department of Public Safety for the purpose of increasing the number of state police officers and address additional support staff needs associated with the expansion.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

DPS reports the expansion of additional state police officers and support staff would greatly assist the Department in its vision of “Keeping New Mexico Safe through Safer Roads and Safer Communities”, and would provide a positive impact on New Mexico and performance of the Department.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$15,777,168 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2006 shall revert to the general fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

DPS states recruitment efforts for new State Police officers has been impacted by the ability of certain cities and other political subdivisions being able to offer candidates better pay package. DPS reports the issue of competitive salaries is being addressed during the current legislative session. DPS states unless this is addressed the Department's ability to fill vacancies and to meet the demands of the proposed expansion in one fiscal year is not attainable under the existing conditions. DPS reports competitive pay would greatly assist in the recruitment and retaining of qualified officers.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP OR RELATIONSHIP

Senate Bill 805 is a duplicate.

ALTERNATIVES

DPS states an alternative to the proposed legislation is a multi-year implementation plan over 204 years and gradually increasing manpower.

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