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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Cisneros DATE TYPED 2/11/05 HB _____
 SHORT TITLE Santo Domingo de Cundiyo Land Grant Survey SB 635
 ANALYST Hadwiger

APPROPRIATION (in \$000s)

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
	\$50.0			Non-Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files
Responses Received From
 Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)
 State Land Office

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 635 appropriates \$50,000 to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) in FY06 to survey boundaries and obtain clear title for the common lands of the Santo Domingo de Cundiyo land grant.

Significant Issues

DFA indicated that SB635 follows up enactment in 2004 of the law giving local government status to 22 land grants, including Cundiyo. Most if not all of these land grants will need boundary and title work. Given the decades of inattention paid to lands held in common among land grant members, uncertain boundaries and title for common lands are not unexpected. With land grants' renewed powers and duties, addressing these basic legal issues of boundaries and title is needed for Cundiyo to exercise its newly acquired local government powers.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$50,000 contained in this bill is a non-recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY06 would revert to the general fund.

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