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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Balderas	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED		393
SHORT TITLE Angel Fire Transit Program		SB		
			ANALYST	Hadwiger

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Арргор	riation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$25.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

<u>Responses Received From</u> Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 393 appropriates \$25 thousand from the general fund to the Local Government Division (LGD) of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) in FY07 to assist the Angel Fire transit program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$25 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY07 would revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DFA indicated funding from the Federal Transit Authority (FTA) for the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) grant program will be discontinued for the transportation service program for the Village of Angel Fire. Job Access projects develop transportation services that connect welfare recipients and other low income persons to jobs and other employment related services. The funds that are available for this program will be expended by June 30, 2006. HB393 would re-

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store funding to keep in place the public transportation route for Mora. This route provides public transportation to persons who are eligible for the Welfare-to-Work transportation service.

DFA also noted that, if funding is not appropriated, Angel Fire will not be able to provide adequate public transportation to the community and surrounding areas. Specifically, this funding would go towards continuing the Mora route. The route goes from Mora to Angel Fire and then back to Mora. It provides public transportation to eligible participants who qualify under the Welfare-to-Work Program.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

DFA can administer this appropriation with existing staff.

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