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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Balderas ORIGINAL DATE 1/30/06  
LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB 464  
SHORT TITLE San Miguel County Substance Abuse Program SB \_\_\_\_\_  
ANALYST Lewis

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$350.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to HB396/SB575 (Substance abuse prevention and child abuse prevention in Las Vegas City Public Schools, Wagon Mound Public Schools and Mora Independent Schools).

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From  
Department of Health (DOH)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 464 appropriates \$350,000 from the general fund to the Department of Health to develop and implement a substance abuse program in San Miguel County.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$350,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Department of Health (DOH) states that San Miguel County is currently underserved for substance abuse prevention services.

According to DOH, the 2004 New Mexico Social Indicator Report ranks San Miguel County 7th in the state for past 30-day use of alcohol among 9th through 12th graders and 5th for past 30-

day marijuana use. San Miguel County also ranks among the top 10 for alcohol and or drug related hospitalization rates, and 4th in the state for alcohol-related crashes between the years of 2000 and 2002.

**PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

DOH adds that, although this appropriation is not a part of the DOH executive budget request, it is part of the department’s Strategic Plan, Program Area 5: Behavioral Health Services, Objective 1: Improve access, quality, and value of mental health and substance abuse services.

**ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

DOH notes that all behavioral health services, including substance abuse programs, are being coordinated through a collaborative effort with 17 state agencies. Services will be required to flow through the collaborative through a contract with Value Options - New Mexico (VO-NM). If this appropriation is realized, the resources would likely be administered through VO-NM.

**WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

According to DOH, funding may not otherwise be available for developing and implementing a substance abuse program in San Miguel County.

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