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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Kin	g ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	2/8/06	HB	750
SHORT TITL	ĿE	Santa Fe County Detox & Rehab Services		SB	
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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	100.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to HB 236 (Santa Fe Alcohol & Substance Abuse Programs).

SOURCES OF INFORMATION LFC Files

<u>Responses Received From</u> Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) Department of Health (DOH) Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 750 appropriates \$100,000 from the general fund to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration for Santa Fe County to contract for detoxification and rehabilitation services.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100,000 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

According to the DFA, this appropriation is intended to go to contract services with the Santa Fe Recovery Center (Chemical Dependency Treatment Services).

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Based on a letter sent by the Santa Fe Recovery Center, dated October 19, 2005, DFA adds that:

- The mission is to serve as much of the indigent population as possible.
- The facility currently has 23 beds which are currently full.
- They have a waiting list of 151 who are indigent.
- They have an innovative treatment program, with a 5 to 1 client/counselor ratio.
- The facility has been utilizing its reserves to pay for operational costs and rehabilitation services.
- Monies to pay for indigent rehabilitation services will run out by 2005.

The DFA recommends that funding should be recurring for up to three years in order to give the recovery center time to establish private and public donations.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

DFA states that administration of this appropriation would go to Santa Fe County. There is no formal agreement in place; but, according to the Director of the Santa Fe Recovery Center, there have been discussions with Steve Shepherd and Agnes Lopez of Santa Fe County.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

This bill relates to/overlaps with HB 236, which appropriates \$350,000 for Santa Fe County to contract with a nonprofit organization to provide inpatient rehabilitation services for drug, alcohol and methamphetamine addiction treatment. The HB 236 appropriation also appears to be intended for the Santa Fe Recovery Center.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The DFA suggests that the lack of funding might force the Santa Fe Recovery Center to close its doors. This would eliminate detoxification and rehabilitation services particularly to members of the indigent population.

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