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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE NMSU Southern NM Center on Aging SB 126

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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$135.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates House Bill 157

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

New Mexico State University (NMSU)
Higher Education Department (HED)
Aging & Long Term Services Department (ALTSD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 126 appropriates \$135,000 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University (NMSU) to establish a Southern New Mexico Center on Aging with the College of Health and Social Services.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$135,000 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

This proposal was not included among the NMSU Board of Regents-approved special project expansion proposals submitted to the Higher Education Department (HED) for review. Therefore, it has not been recommended by HED for consideration during the fiscal year 2007 funding cycle.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

Senate Bill 126 and House Bill 157 are duplicate measures.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

Information provided by NMSU indicates that the proposed center would work with communities in southern New Mexico (private, public and governmental agencies) to identify issues pertaining to aging and Alzheimer's and to seek solutions to those problems. This proposal was apparently developed in conjunction with the Alzheimer's Association of New Mexico. The likely uses for the requested funds will be for an Aging Center Coordinator and part time secretary salary and benefits, start-up costs, travel, supplies, administrative staff with benefits, and initially \$25,000 to support 5 initial faculty research projects.

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