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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2-10-2006

SPONSOR Campos LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Luna Community College Policy Revisions SB 602

ANALYST Dearing

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$50.0	Non-Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

New Mexico Higher Education Department (NMHED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 602 appropriates \$50,000 from the general fund to New Mexico Higher Education Department for the purpose of developing and implementing policy revisions at Luna Community College (LCC).

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 fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The existing internal policies for Luna Community College (LCC) faculty and staff have not been updated since 1992. The policies have to be revised, rewritten, and new polices need to be created and implemented. The funding from this bill is to assist the college to upgrade and implement their internal policies, and to conduct a salary survey.

According to grants and public relations director, Debbie Trujillo, the intent is for LCC to hire

staff to work closely with the President's office in conducting a salary survey in order to bring the compensation schedule in alignment with other New Mexico institutions. The staff will also review the policies to be updated and prepare the documents for the LCC Board of Directors final approval.

This proposal was not submitted to NMHED through research, public service, and special program requests by LCC, and is not on the list of NMHED priorities. This request was not included in the Department's funding recommendation for FY07.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

The funds will provide staff for research on the salary survey and for the policy content. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY07 shall revert to the General Fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The funding appropriated in this legislation, if enacted, would be administered through New Mexico Higher Education Department, as opposed to direct funding to Luna Community College.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

Costs associated with policy revisions within Luna Community College would need to be funded through existing funding sources, or others.

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