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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Wallace	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	2-10-2007 HB	623
SHORT TITL	E National Flut	e Association Convention	SB	
			ANALYST	Dearing

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$25.0	Nonrecurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Cultural Affairs Department (CAD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 623 appropriates \$25 thousand from the general fund to department of Cultural Affairs for National Flute Association Convention to be held in Bernalillo County at Albuquerque.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$25 thousand contained in House Bill 623 is a nonrecurring expense to the General Fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY08 shall revert to the General Fund.

The department has stated that its understanding is that the funding contained in this bill would augment funds already in place for the event.

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SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The National Flute Association, a not for profit institution, is the largest flute organization in the world. Its mission is to encourage a higher standard of artistic excellence for the flute, its performers, and flute-literature. Members include leading soloists, orchestral players, college and university professors, adult amateurs, and students of all ages. NFA annual conventions are held in major cities in the U.S. Albuquerque was selected as the site for the association's national conference, to be held in August, 2007.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

Convention attendees will be in the Albuquerque and Santa Fe areas for several days. The department states that a possibility that these visitors to New Mexico could boost attendance for the two state museums in Albuquerque, the four museums in Santa Fe, as well as Jemez State Monument and Coronado State Monument in Bernalillo during their stay. The department will work to include a promotion for these state museums and monuments in the convention attendees' packets.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Arts division of the Cultural Affairs department will oversee the expenditure of the appropriation contained in this bill.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The National Flute Association conference would not be supported through State General Funds.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

Would passage of this act possibility violate the anti-donation clause of the New Mexico Constitution, Article IV., Section 31, Appropriations for Charitable, Educational, and etc. purposes?

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