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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Robinson ORIGINAL DATE 2/1/07  
LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB \_\_\_\_\_  
SHORT TITLE Community-Based Cancer Patient Support SB 382  
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### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$50.0	Recurring	General

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to: HB 263, HB 303, SB 357

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From  
Department of Health (DOH)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 382 would appropriate \$50,000 from the general fund to be spent in FY08 by the Department of Health (DOH) to provide for comprehensive, community-based cancer patient support services including education, patient library services, one-to-one matching with cancer veterans, survivorship support groups, and an annual statewide survivorship conference. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY08 would revert to the general fund.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

DOH notes that the appropriation proposed by this bill is not included in the executive budget recommendation. Also, DOH provides that existing staff and resources of the DOH Cancer Section could absorb costs associated with implementing the activities in SB 382.

### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DOH notes that according to the New Mexico Tumor Registry, an estimated 8,000 new cases of cancer were diagnosed in NM in 2006. Approximately 54,000 people in the state are currently

living with a diagnosis of cancer. For every person living through cancer, an average of three other people related to the patient are also affected by the diagnosis, perhaps as many as 216,000 persons in NM.

**RELATIONSHIP**

SB 382 relates to:

- HB 263, which would appropriate \$600,000 to the Department of Finance and Administration for expenditure in FY 2008 for St. Vincent Regional Medical Center (SVRMC) for the creation of a comprehensive breast cancer center to serve the women of north central New Mexico.
- HB 303, which would appropriate \$1,300,000 from the tobacco settlement program fund to the Veterans' Services Department for FY 2008 to contract with an organization for a clinical study validating diagnostic technology for the early detection of lung cancer using an inexpensive, non-invasive test developed in New Mexico.
- SB 357, which would appropriate \$250,000 from the general fund to DOH to be spent in FY08 through FY10 to provide a cancer patient navigation program.

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