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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	McSorley	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	2/8/2007 HB	
SHORT TITL	E Expand UNM Inte	rnational Education	SB	632
			ANALYST	McOlash

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$379.9	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Higher Education Department (HED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 632 appropriates \$379,875 from the General Fund to the UNM Regents for expenditure in FY 2008 to expand the International Education Initiative.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$379,875 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the General Fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY 2008 shall revert to the General Fund.

The UNM request for the New Mexico International Education Initiative included \$94,875 for Personnel (Recurring) and \$285,000 for Expenses (Non-Recurring). The unexplained Expenses, even if student assistance, should be classified as Recurring.

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SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Office of International Programs and Studies provides services to international students and scholars coming to UNM, coordinates opportunities for UNM students to study overseas and offers intensive English language programs to students interested in studying in the U.S.

The University has endorsed the nationally recognized need to promote global awareness of and sensitivity to multicultural issues in today's interdependent world. The Office of International Programs and Studies--OIPS--helps to prepare UNM faculty, administrators, and students to understand and work effectively in a complex and rapidly changing global community.

Documents form UNM, relating to this request, mention that the New Mexico International Education Initiative seeks to coordinate, consolidate, and expand UNM's efforts to foster an international experience for New Mexico students.

This request was submitted by UNM to the HED for review, but is not included in the Department's funding recommendation for FY08.

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