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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITI	LE Grant County To	een Court	SB	637
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## **APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropr	iation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$20.0		General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to HB 647, Santa Fe County Teen Court

#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Department of Finance Administration (DFA)
Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)

#### **SUMMARY**

### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 637 appropriates \$20,000 from the general fund to the sixth judicial district court for FY 08 to fund the Grant county teen court. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY 08 shall revert to the general fund.

#### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The bill would appropriate \$20.0 to the Sixth Judicial District Court and would increase the Court's budget.

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### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

Teen Courts work with youth in areas such as DWI prevention, substance abuse prevention and counseling. The program offers alternatives such as community service for youth that have committed misdemeanor crimes. Family involvement is encouraged.

This budget request is not contained in the judiciary's unified budget.

## PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

Although there are approximately 20 teen courts in New Mexico, there are currently no standard operating guidelines for running a teen court and no performance measures available by which to measure their performance.

# CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

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# WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

If SB 637 is not passed, programs that provide counseling and substance abuse prevention could be at risk.

## **POSSIBLE QUESTIONS**

How will the Grant County Teen Court function in comparison to other teen courts around the state?

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