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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/18/08

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SHORT TITLE Women's Health Services in Santa Fe SB 184

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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09		
	\$250.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 194 makes an Appropriation for Women's Health Services in Santa Fe, appropriates \$250 thousand from the general fund to the Department of Finance and Administration for the purpose of providing women's health services in Santa Fe.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$250 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY09 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

According to the Department of Health (DOH), the likely intended recipient of this proposed appropriation is Women's Health Services, Inc (WHS). WHS is a 501(c) (3) community service agency that has been providing health services to residents in Santa Fe since 1973. WHS provides primary medical care, behavioral health, and alternative health care services. It is the only primary health care facility in Santa Fe that provides services specifically to women.

This appropriation would be in addition to any award from the DOH through the competitive statewide Rural Primary Health Care Act (RPHCA) Request for Proposals (RFP) process. Women's Health Services is in the first year of a four year funding cycle, receiving \$300 thousand in FY08, as a result of a competitive RFP. FY09 funding will be contingent upon submission of an application for continuation and review of their performance under the current contract.

WHS received a separate non-competitive special appropriation of \$192 thousand in FY08, also through DOH along with an additional, non-recurring appropriation of \$100 thousand. In total, WHS is receiving \$592 thousand in FY08, from DOH. In addition, other non-competitive special appropriations have occurred in the past through the Department of Finance and Administration to WHS.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

SB 184 relates to SB 131, which would appropriate \$500 thousand to DOH to “provide operational support and services at the women’s health services facility in Santa Fe.”

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