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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Campos	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	01/28/08 HB	
SHORT TITL	LE NM Highlands Edu	cational Outreach Prog	ram SB	287
			ANALYST	Escudero

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09		
	\$50.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Higher Education Department (HED)
Public Education Department (PED)
New Mexico Highlands University (NMHU)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 287 appropriates \$50.0 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico Highlands University (NMHU) for expenditure in FY09 to contract with a university athletics support group for an educational outreach program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$50.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of 2009 shall revert to the general fund.

This request was not submitted by NMHU to the New Mexico Higher Education Department for review and is not included in the Departments funding recommendation for FY09.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

According to HED, New Mexico Highlands University will host summer sports camps. These

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camps will be chosen from any of the twelve men's and women's sports at NMHU. Men's sports include; football, basketball, baseball, wrestling and cross country.

Women's sports include; soccer, basketball, track, cross country, volleyball, softball and rodeo. Young athletes from ages K-12 would attend during the summer. NMHU coaches and faculty provide instruction, feedback, and tips that can help improve individual athletic performance and develop the skills necessary for success in a chosen sport. The sport camps experience provides an opportunity to interact with athletes who are of similar age and have a similar level of experience.

In addition, the camps will introduce the participants to a college environment, many for the first time. The camps would either be held on the campus of NMHU or in communities such as Santa Fe, Espanola, Albuquerque and Taos New Mexico.

According to NMHU, the appropriation is consistent with the University Strategic plan and assists with the university mission of integrating education, research, public service, and economic development.

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