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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE	Domestic Violence Attorney Outreach & Educa	ation SB	534
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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)

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SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 534, makes an Appropriation for a Domestic Violence Attorney, Advocate and Paralegal to Travel Throughout the State Offering Basic Legal Services as well as Outreach and Education, appropriates \$250.0 thousand from the general fund to DFA for the purpose of domestic violence outreach and education

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$250.0 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

SB 534 provides for a full-time domestic violence attorney, advocate and paralegal, to be based in Bernalillo County in a nonprofit agency that offers domestic violence services throughout the state. The attorney will take the "have justice, will travel" program into rural areas and initiate a three year plan to increase awareness of available legal services.

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