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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/2/09

SPONSOR Garcia, M. P. LAST UPDATED _____ HB 247

SHORT TITLE Enhance Employment of Disabled Persons SB _____

ANALYST Archuleta

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY09	FY10		
	\$150.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

General Services Department (GSD)

Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 247 appropriates \$150,000 from the General Fund to the General Services Department, State Purchasing Division for to enhance employment opportunities for persons with disabilities through implementation of the State Use Act.

GSD notes the following: full implementation of the State Use Act may require a significant investment of resources. Without an appropriation such as this, GSD's ability to fully implement the Act is questionable given current resources.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

According to the December 2008 revenue estimate, FY10 recurring revenue will only support a base expenditure level that is \$293 million, or 2.6 percent, less than the FY09 appropriation. All appropriations outside of the general appropriation act will be viewed in this declining revenue context.

The bill provides for a non-reverting appropriation.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

According to DOH, the State Purchasing Council does not always promote employment activities that are consistent with national and state standards of practice regarding the most appropriate or best employment initiatives for persons with disabilities.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

General Services Department will be required to continue implementing the State Use Act with existing resources.

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