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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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 LAST UPDATED 2/25/09 HB _____

SPONSOR Keller

SHORT TITLE Evaluate Benefits of Native American Soccer SM 4

ANALYST Burns

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY09	FY10		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to SB192 Tohatchi Youth Development Program

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
 Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 4 requests the Indian Affairs Department and the Department of Health to evaluate the positive health outcomes of the Native American soccer program and the annual indigenous soccer cup organized by southwest youth service, incorporated.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no fiscal impact contained in the SM 4, but SM 4 will evaluate the cost effectiveness of the Native American soccer program and the annual indigenous soccer cup.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Native American soccer program and the annual Indigenous Soccer Cup organized by Southwest Youth Services, Incorporated, provide positive youth development training in teen suicide prevention, teen pregnancy prevention, cultural pride and sharing, youth resiliency, health, nutrition and educational and career preparation.

In New Mexico, Native Americans have the highest rates of suicide among youth ages 15-24.

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Native American youth also have the highest rate of obesity in New Mexico high school students. Additionally, Native Americans have the highest rate of deaths due to diabetes and alcohol. (New Mexico Department of Health, Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities Report Card, 2008; www.health.state.nm.us)

The annual Indigenous Soccer Cup is held in New Mexico, and the Third Annual Indigenous Soccer Cup will be hosted by New Mexico state university, with partial financial support from the Indian affairs department, the office of school and adolescent health of the department of health, the tourism department, the New Mexico sports authority and numerous Indian pueblos in New Mexico. A cost benefit analysis could be a valuable benefit to the state to understand if the funding for program should continue.

RELATIONSHIP

SM4 relates to SB192, Tohatchi Youth Development Program, which would fund youth development programs, including the youth leadership project.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

There would not be an evaluation of the health outcomes and cost-effectiveness of the Native American Soccer Program and the Annual Indigenous Soccer Cup organized by Southwest Youth Services, Incorporated.

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