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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 02/08/12

SPONSOR Lopez LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE County & Tribal Health Councils SB 35

ANALYST Esquibel

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY12	FY13		
	\$1,900.0	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 35 (SB35) appropriates \$1.9 million from the general fund to the Department of Health to fund the state's 38 County and Tribal health councils.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$1.9 million contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY13 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Department of Health indicates the appropriation in SB35 would restore funding, which was suspended in FY11, to 38 County and Tribal community health councils statewide. This appropriation would provide support for each community health council to hire a full time equivalent staff person to coordinate health council work.

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