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# FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITL	E NMSU Agricul	ltural Leadership Program		SB	478

ANALYST Chabot

#### **<u>APPROPRIATION</u>** (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	Recurring	Fund Affected	
FY19	FY20	or Nonrecurring		
	\$100.0	Recurring	General Fund	

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

**SOURCES OF INFORMATION** LFC Files

<u>Responses Received From</u> Department of Higher Education (DHE) New Mexico State University (NMSU)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 478 appropriates \$100 thousand from the general fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University for the purpose of expanding programs and services in the agriculture leadership program in the college of agricultural, consumer, and environmental sciences to provide business skills training for agricultural producers.

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$100 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2020 reverts to the general fund.

Higher education institutions in New Mexico do not revert unexpended funding back to the state's general fund.

According to DHE, the program is currently funded by Horizon Corporate Donors, Farm Credit of New Mexico ACA, New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau, New Mexico Cattlegrower's Association, New Mexico Cattlegrower's Foundation, New Mexico Stockman Magazine,

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Livestock Market Digest, and Dairy Producers of New Mexico.

## SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

According to NMSU, the goal of the program is to be the premier leadership resource for careeroriented agricultural professionals, and serve as an engine for economic, social, educational and community development in New Mexico. As a statewide program, every county and community can be impacted. Now the program is concentrated in five cities and additional funding will allow the program to be able to deliver more statewide programming.

According to DHE, the Interim Director of the Agriculture and Extension Education Department states the funds will be used for the following: Salary and Fringe Benefits for the Program Coordinator (\$53,235), Student salary (\$1,500), Travel (\$6,925), Supplies and expenses (\$18,340) and Equipment (\$20,000).

# PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

DHE suggests NMSU development performance measures to determine the success of the program.

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