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### FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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|--------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|------------|
| SPONSOR:     | Picraux                               | DATE TYPED: | 01/27/00 | HB       | 185        |
| SHORT TITLE: | Library Division Electronic Databases |             |          | SB       |            |
|              |                                       |             |          | ANALYST: | Valenzuela |

### APPROPRIATION

| Appropriation Contained |          | Estimated Additional Impact |      | Recurring<br>or Non-Rec | Fund<br>Affected |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|------|-------------------------|------------------|
| FY00                    | FY01     | FY00                        | FY01 |                         |                  |
|                         | \$ 360.0 |                             |      | Recurring               | General Fund     |

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to HB2, SB2

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Office of Cultural Affairs (OCA)

## **SUMMARY**

### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 185 appropriates \$360.0 in general fund to the Office of Cultural Affairs to purchase access to an online database of medical and business journals. The appropriation is made to the State Library Division. Any unexpended balance shall revert to the general fund.

### Significant Issues

The State Library Division made similar requests for this database in its FY01 base budget and program change request. Both the LFC and the Executive budget recommendations included funding for the database in the division's base operating budget.

A number of universities throughout the state subscribe to similar, if not the same, online periodical databases. Consequently, the state could have the opportunity to reduce its expenditures for these items. However, the State Library Division would have to complete an inventory of the existing online periodical databases, statewide, to determine duplication.

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

If passed, HB 185 would require an annual recurring general fund appropriation.

## **RELATIONSHIP**

The general appropriation act includes funding for database equipment as a part of the LFC budget recommendation.

## **POSSIBLE QUESTIONS**

- How many colleges or universities, high schools, or state agencies already subscribe to online periodicals?
- What are the State Library Division's plans to determine the level of duplication that exists throughout the state, to ensure that taxpayers are not paying twice for the same information?

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