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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: HAFC DATE TYPED: 01/22/03 HB 1/HAFCS

SHORT TITLE: Feed Bill SB _____

ANALYST: Fernandez

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY03	FY04	FY03	FY04		
7,765.3				Recurring	General Fund
491.6				Nonrecurring	Cash Balance
	11,372.4			Recurring	General Fund
	520.0			Nonrecurring	Cash Balance

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC files.

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

The House Appropriations and Finance Committee substitute for House Bill 1 appropriates \$20,149.3 from the general fund and cash balances to various legislative agencies for the purpose of funding operations of the 2003 regular legislative session and funding for interim activities, including fiscal year 2004 operating budgets of the Legislative Council Service, Legislative Finance Committee, Legislative Education Study Committee, and the House and Senate chief clerk offices. Other appropriations include legislative interim expenses, session preparation, statewide legislative internship program, expenses of the Senate Rules Committee, legislative information system, implements phase 2 of the classification and salary range study for legislative employees, funds the upgrade of fire alarm and security systems in the state capitol, and supplemental appropriations for office of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$6.9 million contained in this bill for the legislative session is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal

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year 2003 does not revert to the general fund. The appropriations of \$491.6 and \$520.0 contained in this bill for the legislative information system and upgrades to the fire alarm and security systems, respectively, are nonrecurring and come from cash balances. The appropriations totaling \$11.4 million contained in this bill for legislative offices and other interim expenses are a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balances remaining in agency accounts at the end of fiscal year 2004 revert to the general fund. The supplemental appropriations of \$793.5 and \$78.2 contained in this bill for Office of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor, respectively, are recurring, for expenditure in fiscal year 2003. Any unexpended or unencumbered balances remaining at the end of fiscal year 2003 revert to the general fund.

Category	FY03		FY04	
	Recurring GF	Nonrecurring Cash	Recurring GF	Nonrecurring Cash
Legislature	6,893.6			
Legislative Council Service			4,086.1	
Interim expenses			886.0	
Pre-session expenses			352.3	
Statewide legislative internship program			25.0	
Legislative Finance Committee			2,982.1	
Legislative Education Study Committee			913.6	
Senate Rules Committee			21.6	
House Chief Clerk			887.9	
Senate Chief Clerk			920.8	
Implementation of Classification & Salary Range Study – Phase 2			297.0	
Legislative information system		491.6		
Fire Alarm System and Security System				520.0
Supplemental – Office of the Governor	793.5			
Supplemental – Office of the Lt. Governor	78.2			
Total	7,765.3	491.6	11,372.4	520.0

Legislative Education Study Committee. The increase of \$64.7 or 7.6 percent from the FY03 operating budget is for an additional analyst position.

Implementation of Classification & Salary Range Study – Phase 2. The Legislative Council Service entered into a contract with the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) to work with legislative employees to develop and propose a classification system for permanent positions in the Legislative Council Service, Legislative Finance Committee, Legislative Education Study Committee, and the House and Senate Chief Clerks' Offices as well as permanent positions serving House and Senate leadership. In January 2001, the NCSL study team presented the final report and proposed classification plan for permanent positions in legislative offices. Subsequently, the study

team developed salary ranges for permanent legislative staff positions and recommended that the New Mexico Legislature adopt the proposed salary ranges.

The appropriation is contingent upon a classification and study range review committee certifying the adjustments are necessary. Approval from Legislative Council Service is required.

Office of the Governor. In December 2002, Office of the Governor submitted an amended budget request for FY04 to support the new goals and initiatives of the administration. The FY04 amended budget request for Office of the Governor included an increase of 10.3 FTE from the current 27 positions budgeted in FY03 to 37.3 in FY04. The FY94 FTE level in Office of the Governor was 37.0. The Governor's amended budget request includes funding for eight attorney positions.

The amended FY04 request (included in the Executive budget and HB2) is an increase of \$1.4 million or 68 percent from the current operating budget.

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