FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Martinez   DATE TYPED: 02/18/03   HB   551

SHORT TITLE: Navajo Nation Boys and Girls Clubs   SB

ANALYST: Weber

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY03	**FY04**	**FY03**	**FY04**		
	$500.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Responses Received From
Office of Indian Affairs

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 551 appropriates $500,000 from the General Fund to the Office of Indian Affairs for contracting services for the Boys and Girls Clubs in Shiprock, Tohatchi, Pine Hill, Dzilth-na-o-dith-hle, Tohajiiilee, and Alamo.

Significant Issues

The Office of Indian Affairs reports the clubs need to provide services, programs and support, and development programs that provide young people with the skills to overcome threatening challenges and become responsible citizens and leaders. The programs offer activities supervised by professional, caring adults. There must be a safe place for children to learn and grow free of many challenges such as substance abuse, neglect, AIDS and poverty faced daily by many children. Currently 83 clubs of this nature operate successfully on Indian land.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of $500,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the General Fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of Fiscal Year 2004 shall revert to the General Fund.

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