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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Madalena DATE TYPED 3/3/05 HB 915/aHVEC

SHORT TITLE Sandoval Native American Voting Program SB \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST Medina

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
	\$25.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Response Not Received From  
Secretary of State (SOS)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of HVEC Amendment

The House Voters and Elections Committee amendment changes the agency receiving the appropriation contained in the bill from the Secretary of State to the Local Governments Division, making the Local Governments Division responsible for carrying out the provisions of the bill. However, the amendment does not clarify that the Local Governments Division is a division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 915 appropriates \$25.0 from the general fund to the Secretary of State for the purpose of implementing the Native American Voting Rights Program in Sandoval County.

#### Significant Issues

This bill does not include the provisions for implementation of such a program. Without analysis from the Secretary of State, it is unclear as to what the program would entail.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$25.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2008 shall revert to the general fund.

Continuing Appropriations

The LFC FY06 appropriation recommendation is balanced between revenues and expenditures and any increase in recurring funding must be offset by reductions in other areas of the recommendation. The Legislature must consider all priorities and funding requirements to find revenue to support this legislation.

**WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL?**

The Native American Voting Rights Program in Sandoval County would not be implemented.

**POSSIBLE QUESTIONS**

What services would the Secretary of State provide should the Native American Voting Rights Program be implemented?

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