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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/3/06

SPONSOR Garcia, M. P. LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB 758

SHORT TITLE South Valley Undercover Narcotic Agents SB \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST Peery

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$45.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Response Received From  
Department of Public Safety (DPS)

No Response Received From  
NM Association of Counties

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 758 appropriates \$45.0 from the general fund to the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of funding undercover narcotic agent services for the area of the south valley of Bernalillo county between Central avenue southwest on the north, Rio Bravo boulevard southwest on the south, Coors boulevard southwest on the west and the Rio Grande on the east.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$45.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DPS reports the State Police division is currently 71 officers short of its allotted strength. DPS states many of these positions are being absorbed within the Narcotics Bureau. DPS reports it

would be very difficult to initiate a new initiative within Bernalillo County at this time. DPS states because of the resources currently available within Bernalillo County and the lack of resources in the surrounding counties, the State Police Albuquerque office is focusing its enforcement efforts in Valencia, Sandoval and Torrance county areas.

**ALTERNATIVES**

DPS states an alternative to the proposed legislation would be to provide the appropriation to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration to be used by the Albuquerque Police Department or the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department.

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