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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

	ORIGINAL DATE 2-1-06		
SPONSOR	Rodriguez	LAST UPDATED	HB
	SANTA FE WOMEN'S HEALTH SERVICES		
SHORT TITLE	FACILITY	SB	290
		ANALYST	Hadwiger

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$500.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates SB303.

Duplicates Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act
Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)
Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 290 appropriates \$500 thousand from the general fund to the Local Government Division (LGD) of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) in FY07 to provide services at the Women's Health Services (WHS) facility in Santa Fe.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$500 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY07 would revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DOH noted this appropriation would be in addition to any award from the competitive statewide

Rural Primary Health Care Act (RPHCA) RFP process. Women's Health Services received \$300.0 in competitive RPHCA funds in FY06.

DFA indicated WHS is a 501C(3) community service agency that has been providing health services to residents in Santa Fe since 1973. WHS provides primary medical care, behavioral health, and alternative health care services. The funds, if appropriated will cover operating expenses of the WHS. The facility would like to continue providing a comprehensive center of excellence for women's health, as well provide services to low income patients and/or disabilities. WHS has five (5) components of services: 1) outreach/public health education 2) professional education 3) provide leadership for out patients, staff and healthcare providers 4) provide direct healthcare services and 5) participate in medical research for women's health initiatives.

DFA had concerns that this appropriation to WHS raises issues with the New Mexico Anti-Donation Clause and with the competitive review process established by the DOH-Primary Care and Rural Health pursuant to the provisions of the Rural Primary Health Care Act. Currently, LGD/DFA has capital outlay appropriations in the amount of \$545,000 for WHS, however, the New Mexico Anti-Donation Clause affects these projects. The city nor the county of Santa Fe does not own or operate WHS. DFA suggested that one option would be for the City of Santa Fe to administer the funds.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

DFA indicated this appropriation raises anti-donation issues of administration. If the city of Santa Fe can provide proof of an agreement with WHS, then it's possible LGD/DFA would administer this project. Otherwise, it may be better to amend language for DOH Primary Care to administer these funds.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

DFA is concerned that the bill violates the anti-donation clause as structured.

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