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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/9/06

SPONSOR Griego LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Luna Community College Youth Program SB 567

ANALYST Earp

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$100.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Higher Education Department (HED)

Public Education Department (PED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 567 appropriates \$100,000 from the general fund to the Higher Education Department (HED) to support a youth program at Luna Community College.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

This proposal was not included among the special program funding requests submitted by the LCC to the HED for review. Consequently, this proposal has not been included in the HED fiscal year 2007 funding recommendations to the Legislature.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

HED would receive the appropriation and then transfer it to Luna Community College which would be responsible for administering the youth program. See Technical Issues below.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

This appropriation could be made directly to Luna Community College, which would eliminate the necessity of routing the funds through HED.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

Information provided by HED indicates that LCC works with local high schools to provide after school and summer enrichment programs for underrepresented and disadvantaged youth. LCC has been coordinating the youth summer enrichment program for eight years. The Youth College Program offers two three week residential programs to junior high school students in grades 6-9 from Las Vegas and surrounding communities. Luna collaborates with New Mexico Highlands University (NMHU) where the students are housed. Luna develops and implements the curriculum that includes general information on admission, financial aid, academics, and social experiences on a college campus. The program impacts over 300 students each summer.

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