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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2-10-06

SPONSOR Kernan LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Interactive Fine Arts Outreach Program SB 682

ANALYST Segura

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$425.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Public Education Department (PED)

No Response Received From
Cultural Affairs Department (DCA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 682 appropriates \$425.0 from the general fund to Cultural Affairs Department (DCA) to develop and implement a statewide interactive fine arts outreach program through the Museum of Fine Arts.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Senate Bill 682 appropriates \$425.0 from the general fund and is recurring. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2007 shall revert.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

According to PED, this legislation would allow the New Mexico Museum of Fine Arts (MFA) to reach citizens living in all areas of the state. There are over 20,000 objects in the MFA collection; they include paintings, drawings and sculptures. This is a digitization project that would include photographs of objects and written discussion to enhance the viewing of the objects. Computer technology allows pieces that are in storage to be enjoyed and all pieces chosen can be compared with one another, side by side, without physically going from gallery to gallery.

This legislation is an educational outreach program based upon learning through the arts.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Cultural Affairs Department would administer the program and monitor the funding.

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