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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/2/06

SPONSOR Cisneros LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Velarde Detox & Reintegration Services SB 685

ANALYST Lewis

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	150.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Response Received From
Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 685 appropriates \$150,000 from the general fund to the Department of Health to expand detoxification and residential reintegration services in Velarde in Rio Arriba County.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$150,000 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

According to the Department of Health (DOH), the Behavioral Health Collaborative is charged with coordination of all substance abuse and mental health treatment services statewide through a contract with Value-Options New Mexico (VO-NM).

The DOH notes that, in 2000-2002, Rio Arriba County led the state in alcohol- and drug-related death rates (a rate of 134 deaths per 100,000), alcohol- and drug-related hospitalizations (1,357 hospitalizations per 100,000) and state-funded substance abuse treatment admission rates from

2001-2003 (140 admissions per 100,000). In addition, Rio Arriba County led the state in deaths from alcohol-related injury (43 per 100,000), ranked 2nd for alcohol-related motor vehicle crash death (20 per 100,000), and 4th for both alcohol-related chronic disease death (49 per 100,000) and alcohol-related chronic liver disease death (26 per 100,000) from 1999-2003.

SB 685 does not identify a particular provider for the proposed funding; nor is this appropriation included in the DOH executive budget request.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

According to DOH, SB 685 falls under the DOH Strategic Plan, Program Area 5, Objective 1: Improve access, quality and value of mental health and substance abuse services.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

DOH staff time would be needed to develop a Request for Proposal (RFP) process to contract for the services and monitor the contract proposed in SB 685.

ML/yr