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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/25/07

SPONSOR Anderson LAST UPDATED _____ HB 161

SHORT TITLE U.S.S. New Mexico Ceremonies SB _____

ANALYST Peery-Galon

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
NA	\$100.0	Non-Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates 63

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Responses Received From
 Tourism Department (TD)
 Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 161 appropriates \$100.0 from the general fund to the Department of Military Affairs for expenditure in fiscal years 2008 through 2011 to promote the submarine U.S.S. New Mexico throughout the state, to help educate the submarine crew about New Mexico and to support milestone ceremonies during the submarine's construction and commissioning.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100.0 contained in this bill is a non-recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2011 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Tourism Department states its support for any legislation that promotes tourism and educates visitors to the state. The department notes that a new ship in the United States Navy carrying the name “New Mexico” broadcasts the state’s name across the entire U.S. Navy, the nation and world.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

The proposed legislation is a duplication of Senate Bill 63.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

The Tourism Department states it is estimated to take several more years for the construction of the U.S.S. New Mexico to be completed. The funding in the proposed legislation will help educate New Mexicans during this process.

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