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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/6/07

SPONSOR Tyler LAST UPDATED _____ HB 867

SHORT TITLE Hobbs Drug Abuse Education SB _____

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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$150.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to HB 868.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 867 appropriates \$150.0 from the General Fund to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration for drug abuse education and prevention in Hobbs.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$150.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the General Fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY08 shall revert to the General Fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Department of Health notes that HB 867 does not specify who or what entity is involved in the drug abuse education and prevention program to be funded. Although the city of Hobbs is mentioned, it is not clear if the city itself is undertaking the education and prevention program.

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It is also not specified whether the targeted audience for the drug abuse education and prevention is adult and/or youth, school based, incarcerated/adjudicated, volunteer, or any other group.

If youth are the target demographic, it is noted that youth leadership and development opportunities are an effective way to prevent negative health and social outcomes among youth. Young people who take active roles in organizations and communities have fewer problems, are better skilled, and tend to be lifelong citizens (*Preventing Problems, Promoting Development, Encouraging Engagement, 2003*)

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

HB 867 relates to HB 868 that proposes appropriating \$150.0 to Lea County for drug abuse education and prevention.

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