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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 3/01/2007

SPONSOR Foley LAST UPDATED _____ HJM 72

SHORT TITLE Raymond Ruiz Charity Legislative B-ball Game SB _____

ANALYST Schuss

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Joint Memorial 72 names the annual House-Senate Basketball Game “The Raymond Ruiz Charity Legislative Basketball Game” and dedicates the game to his memory.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

House Joint Memorial 72 states that the annual House-Senate Basketball Game has raised countless dollars for charity, entertained hundreds of loyal fans and prompted scores of legislators to reconsider their exercise regimen. Former State Representative Raymond Ruiz was a barrel-chested former ironworker who lent his considerable athletic ability, drive and enthusiasm to his house colleagues and teammates in the annual affair during his four years of service in the New Mexico Legislature. Raymond Ruiz was an avid supporter of the causes that benefited from the House-Senate Basketball Game and the epitome of a citizen-legislator, strongly advocating for working men and women around New Mexico. Raymond Ruiz died while in office on May 9, 2004, and was succeeded by his wife, Harriet Ruiz, who served through 2006.

The Legislature of the State of New Mexico requests that the annual House-Senate Basketball Game be named “The Raymond Ruiz Charity Legislative Basketball Game” and that the game be played each year in his memory.

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