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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Salazar **ORIGINAL DATE** 1/23/08
LAST UPDATED _____ **HB** 282
SHORT TITLE Taos County At-risk Youth Training and Education **SB** _____
ANALYST Propst

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09		
	\$215.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 282, Making an Appropriation for Training and Education for At-risk Youth and Young Adults in Taos County, appropriates \$215.0 thousand from the general fund to DFA to provide at-risk youth and young adults with training and education.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$215.0 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY09 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DFA notes that the 2005 US Bureau of Census estimates the poverty rate in Taos County at 20.9% while the national rate is estimated at 12.4%. The unemployment rate of 16-19 year olds is 10.6% and of 20-24 years olds is 14.2%. The national unemployment average is 6.9%. Taos County had the fifth highest unemployment ranking in the state. The number of 18-24 years olds without a high school diploma in Taos County is at 29% while the national average is at 19.6%.

HB 282 would appropriate \$215.0 thousand to provide at-risk youth and young adults from 16 to 24 training to obtain general educational development certificates, training in leadership and job

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skills, vocational education in carpentry, opportunities for community service learning projects and paid construction training in Taos County

RELATIONSHIP

SB 282; HB 139; HB 279

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