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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 02/21/11

SPONSOR Ezzell LAST UPDATED _____ HB 243

SHORT TITLE Dexter Therapeutic Horseriding Program Approp SB _____

ANALYST Wilson

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY11	FY12		
	\$75.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Response Received From

Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 243 appropriates \$75,000 from the general fund to the Local Government Division (LGD) of the Department of Finance & Administration (DFA) for a therapeutic horseback riding program in the town of Dexter to provide physical, cognitive and behavioral therapy.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$75,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 12 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The goals of HB243 are to provide physical, cognitive and behavioral therapy. HB 243, will provide services in one geographical area of the state of New Mexico. The population to be served is not clearly identified. In past years this type of appropriation identified specifically individuals with a developmental disability.

Currently, the Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) provides the identified therapies through the Developmental Disabilities Waiver; however it does not provide therapy through the medium of therapeutic horseback riding.

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