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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Altamirano	DATE TYPED:	1/26/00	HB	
SHORT TITLE:	Cancer Patient Support Services			SB	20
				ANALYST:	Esquibel

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY00	FY01	FY00	FY01		
	\$ 200.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Commission on Higher Education

Department of Health

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

The bill appropriates \$200.0 to the Department of Health (DOH) to provide or contract for a prostate cancer program for the early detection of and the provision of public information about the disease.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The bill appropriates \$200.0 in general fund in FY01 to DOH.

DOH indicates the \$200.0 appropriation would only be sufficient for public information and education efforts and would not fund early detection/screening services.

The Commission on Higher Education indicates an option to the appropriation to DOH would be to appropriate the funds to the UNM Health Sciences Center. However, DOH indicates a direct appropriation to DOH simplifies administration of the funds.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

TECHNICAL ISSUES

The Commission on Higher Education suggests the following language:

The institution receiving the appropriation in this bill shall submit a program evaluation to the Legislative Finance Committee and the Commission on Higher Education by August 1, 2003 detailing the benefits to the State of New Mexico from having this program implemented for a three-year period.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

This program is in jeopardy of being eliminated by DOH due to reduced contract funding within the Public Health Division.

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