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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Picraux DATE TYPED: 02/19/01 HB 131/aHCPAC
 SHORT TITLE: UNM Para Los Ninos Pediatric Speciality Clinic SB _____
 ANALYST: Gilbert

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
	\$ 270.5			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files
 Commission on Higher Education

SUMMARY

Synopsis of HCPAC Amendment

The House Consumer and Public Affairs amendment provides an appropriation of \$270,500. This includes funding to pay the salaries and benefits for 3.5 FTE: two physicians, a half time program manager and a mental health therapist. The other provisions of the bill remain unchanged.

Synopsis of Original Bill

House Bill 131 appropriates \$198.0 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of the University of New Mexico (UNM) for staff development and equipment for Para Los Ninos Pediatric Specialty Clinic at the Children’s Hospital of UNM.

Significant Issues

The appropriation in this bill would be used to pay salaries and benefits to 3.0 FTE (a physician, a program manager and a mental health therapist) and for staff development, moving expenses, computer technology, and office equipment.

Para Los Ninos has been funded through the Department of Health since 1994.

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The appropriation of \$ 198.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY02 shall revert to the general fund.

OTHER IMPLICATIONS

The following is provided for information only. It is not intended as a commentary on the merits of the program/project.

According to the Commission on Higher Education (CHE), this request was not included in UNM's budget request to the UNM Board of Regents, and thus was not submitted by UNM to the CHE for review. The UNM Board of Regents did not formally approve this request and the CHE did not recommend funding for this program expansion.

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