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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Salazar DATE TYPED: 02/20/01 HB 518  
 SHORT TITLE: Community-College-Based High Skills Training SB \_\_\_\_\_  
 ANALYST: Fernandez

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
	\$ 1,000.0			Non-Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in The General Appropriation Act CS/HB2, Section 6

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Commission on Higher Education (CHE)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 518 appropriates \$1,000.0 from the general fund to the CHE for the purpose of developing, expanding and supporting broad-based entry-level high skills training programs at community colleges statewide.

#### Significant Issues

According to CHE, this funding will allow post-secondary institutions to develop training programs required to support a wide variety of economic development efforts in New Mexico's communities.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$1,000.0 contained in this bill is a non-recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the general fund.

The bill requires each community college that receives funds, to provide an equal amount of funding from a source other than general fund.

### ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

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The CHE indicates they would administer the RFP process with the assistance of New Mexico Association of Community Colleges (NMACC).

### **CONFLICT/DUPLICATION/COMPANIONSHIP/RELATIONSHIP**

Included in CS/HB2, Section 6, is a non-recurring appropriation of \$1,000.0 to CHE for this program.

### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

The following is provided for information only, it is not intended as a commentary on the merits of the program.

According to CHE, this project was submitted to CHE for review. The Commission reviewed this proposal and included it in the "Investments for Urgent Workforce Needs" with a funding recommendation of \$1,000.0. CHE indicates that this program will allow two-year institutions to respond more rapidly to training needs of employees in high skill/high wage jobs.

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