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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Gonzales	DATE TYPED:	02/23/01	HB	725
SHORT TITLE: Taos Pueblo Language Immersion Program				SB	
			ANAL	YST:	Woodlee

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained			Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring	Fund
FY01	FY02		FY01	FY02	or Non-Rec	Affected
	\$ 2	27.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Indian Affairs (OIA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 725 appropriates \$27.0 from the general fund to the New Mexico Office of Indian Affairs for the purpose of funding additional teachers and provide computer support and teaching materials for the Taos Pueblo Language Immersion Program.

Significant Issues

The Taos Pueblo Language Immersion Program is focused on teaching children the Tiwa language. According to the agency, there are currently 13 students. The program wishes to expand to serve an additional 64 students, who are kindergarten, first, and second grade students.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$27.0 contained in this bill is a 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.

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