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### **FISCAL IMPACT REPORT**

SPONSOR:	Garcia	DATE TYPED:	01/27/00	HB	
SHORT TITLE:	NMSU Southwest & Border Culture Institute			SB	55
				ANALYST:	Pacheco-Perez

### **APPROPRIATION**

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY00	FY01	FY00	FY01		
	\$ 450.0			Rec	GF

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates HB98

### **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

Commission on Higher Education (CHE)

Office of Cultural Affairs (OCA)

## **SUMMARY**

### Synopsis of Bill

This bill appropriates \$450.0 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of the New Mexico State University to match federal money to establish the Southwest and Border Cultures Institute.

### Significant Issues

According to CHE, this program would support faculty and student research and public outreach projects on Native American, Hispanic, US-Mexico border, and general southwestern issues and projects.

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$450.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY01 shall revert to the general fund.

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

This bill duplicates House Bill 98.

## **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

According to OCA, the bill should clarify the collaborative role which the OCA will have with NMSU.

### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

CHE recommends the following language be included for all new recurring higher education programs: "The institution receiving the special appropriation in this bill shall submit a program evaluation to the LFC and the CHE by August 1, 2003 detailing the benefits to the State from having this program implemented for a three-year period."

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