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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Begaye	DATE TYPED:	03/08/01	HB	283
SHORT TITLE: Cross-Cultural Educational Documentaries			SB		
ANALYST:				YST:	Rael

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring	Fund
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02	or Non-Rec	Affected
	\$ 175.0			Nonrecurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Cultural Affairs (OCA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

The Cross-Cultural Educational Documentaries bill appropriates \$175.0 from the general fund to the Office of Cultural Affairs for the purpose of contracting for the development of cross-cultural educational documentaries and electronic field trips in north central and northwestern New Mexico.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$175.0 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 2003 shall revert to the general fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The OCA reports that would need to further research the intent of the bill as regards to the "development of cross-cultural educational documentaries and electronic field trips." In addition, passage of the bill would require an RFP process to be conducted by OCA in order to meet State procurement codes and to be in compliance with anti-donation laws. This process would require staff time to develop an appropriate RFP, publication of said RFP, review and selection of eligible applicants.

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OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

The OCA believes that the language in the bill is somewhat vague and it is unclear as to what is meant by cross-cultural educational documentaries and electronic field trips. Also, who owns and controls the materials once they are developed?

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