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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Taylor, JG DATE TYPED: 03/04/01 HB 472
SHORT TITLE: Develop Seniors Information & Access System SB _____
ANALYST: Esquibel

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
	\$ 350.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates SB522

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

State Agency on Aging (SAOA)
General Services Department (GSD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 472 appropriates \$350.0 from the general fund to SAOA to develop and manage a comprehensive statewide database of information designed to facilitate access to available resources and services for older adults and their families; provide guidance and assistance to older adults and their families in the selection of resources to meet health, residential, financial, social service and other needs; and collect and analyze data for use by SAOA and service providers for planning purposes.

Significant Issues

SAOA's director indicates the software program proposed in the bill is based on a program in Atlanta. The proposed program would be implemented in conjunction with the Senior Foundation in Albuquerque to provide an information system and database to match individuals with currently available, reputable services such as housing and other services.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$350.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund given that the bill specifies funding is also included to *manage* the program. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY02 shall revert to the general fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

GSD indicates it has staff expertise in the Information Systems Division that would assist SAOA with on-going support for system maintenance and upgrading.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

GSD indicates consideration should be given to providing a front-end application providing access to data already stored by other agencies. Also, another element is how the data requested in the bill fits into the state's overall information technology strategy.

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