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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Garcia, M.J. DATE TYPED 01-27-04 HB _____

SHORT TITLE NMSU Student Wellness Center SB 70

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APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY04	FY05	FY04	FY05		
	\$160.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Revenue Decreases)

Duplicates HB 103

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Commission on Higher Education (CHE) Funding Recommendations

Responses Received From

CHE

NMSU, College of Education

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 70 appropriates \$160 thousand from the general fund to the Board of Regents of NMSU to support the student wellness centers program in student health, fitness and nutrition in the Department of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

Significant Issues

This expansion is intended to improve the delivery of services to students and to encourage the development and maintenance of healthy lifestyles.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$160 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY05 shall revert to the general fund.

AMENDMENTS

The following language is suggested for all new recurring higher education programs and expansion of current programs (assuming that funding will continue beyond FY05):

“The institution receiving the appropriation in this bill shall submit a program evaluation to the Legislative Finance Committee and the Commission on Higher Education by August 2007 detailing the benefits to the State of New Mexico from having implemented this program over a three period.”

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

This expansion request was not included in the NMSU Board of Regents funding recommendations submitted. Consequently, the Commission did not recommend funding for this request.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

1. Was this request presented to the NMSU Board of Regents?
2. If so, why wasn't it recommended to the CHE?

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