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SPONSOR Romero   **DATE TYPED** 2/7/04   **HB**

SHORT TITLE Create NM Chronological Political History   **SB** 489

ANALYST Johnson

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY04	**FY05**	**FY04**	**FY05**		
	$20.0			Non-recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION
LFC Files

Response Received From
Office of Cultural Affairs

No Response Received From
State Commission on Public Records

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 489 appropriates $20,000 from the general fund to the office of cultural affairs for the purpose of funding mechanical costs of producing a chronological political history of New Mexico.

Significant Issues

The office of cultural affairs provided the following:

Language of the bill is unclear regarding the definition of a "New Mexico Chronological Political History" or what the purpose of such a project/publication would be. Does the bill refer to an existing publication? Is there an existing archive to be developed into a chronological political history? It should be noted that there currently exists a Political Archives Center at the Center of Southwest Research at the University of New Mexico.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of $20.0 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 2005 shall revert to the general fund.

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