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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Vigil DATE TYPED 02-21-05 HB 757  
 SHORT TITLE NM Highlands Hispanic Development Intitute SB \_\_\_\_\_  
 ANALYST Woods

### APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
	\$500.0			Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to the appropriation for New Mexico Highlands University in the General Appropriations Act.

Duplicates SB632

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

New Mexico Commission on Higher Education (CHE)

New Mexico Public Education Department (PED)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 757 – Making an Appropriation for a National Hispanic Child and Family Development Institute at New Mexico Highlands University – appropriates \$500,000 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico Highlands University for expenditure in FY06 for a training and resource institute for Hispanic child and family development. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY06 shall revert to the general fund.

#### Significant Issues

PED indicates that the Institute for Hispanic Children and Family Development is a national training institute. Its goal is to create an effective national voice and resource center to support the needs of Hispanic and other minority families by sharing best practices, program models and expertise with community organizations that serve Hispanic children and families. PED notes that the institute will:

- create a national training and resource institute facility;
- support and partner with the efforts of existing national initiatives;
- develop materials and programs that promote best practices models that concentrate on promoting positive development and higher education completion;
- generate and centralize revenue that will support and sustain youth development efforts; and
- establish communication linkages that will facilitate ongoing assessment and evaluation.

CHE indicates that this request was not in the list of priority projects submitted by New Mexico Highlands University to CHE for review. Accordingly, the request was not included in the commission's funding recommendations for FY06.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The appropriation of \$500,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY06 shall revert to the general fund.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

New Mexico Highlands University will retain oversight of this appropriation.

### **CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

Relates to the appropriation for New Mexico Highlands University in the General Appropriations Act.

Duplicates SB632 in that SB632 also seeks to appropriate \$500,000 from the general fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico Highlands University for expenditure in FY06 for a training and resource institute for Hispanic child and family development.

### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

CHE suggests that – assuming funding will continue beyond FY06 – consideration might be given to adding language to require New Mexico Highlands University to submit a plan for program evaluation, including specific program goals and criteria for assessing program effectiveness to the Legislative Finance Committee and the Commission on Higher Education by October 1, 2005. Further, that the institution shall also submit a program evaluation to the Legislative Finance Committee and CHE by June 30, 2008 detailing the benefits to the State of New Mexico from having this program implemented for a three-year period.

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