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ORIGINAL DATE 1/31/07

SPONSOR Youngberg   **LAST UPDATED**   **HB** 599

SHORT TITLE Corrales Fire Department   **SB**

ANALYST Propst

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	**FY08**		
	$75.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION
LFC Files

Responses Received From
Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 599 appropriates $75.0 from the General Fund to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration for one full-time equivalent employee at the Corrales Fire Department.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of $75.0 contained in the bill is a recurring expense to the General Fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY08 shall revert to the General Fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

According to the Village of Corrales staff, including the Fire Chief, the Fire Department is operating without one Fire Fighter EMT position. This is causing a potential safety hazard concern for the community, overextending staff and placing the health and safety of the residents as well as emergency response personnel in jeopardy.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

DFA suggests that the language in the bill be clarified to identify the FTE position as a fire fighter EMT. This will help insure that the money granted in this bill would be used for direct emergency response services.

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