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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/14/07

SPONSOR Park LAST UPDATED _____ HB 916

SHORT TITLE LOW-INCOME WOMEN JOB TRAINING SERVICES SB _____

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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$150.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)
Office of Workforce Training and Development

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 916 appropriates \$150.0 to provide job training services for low-income women in Albuquerque.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$150.0 contained in this 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

DFA notes that HB 916 appropriates \$150.0 to provide job training services for low-income women in Albuquerque. However, the bill is silent on what specific job training services for low income women in Albuquerque will be used. DFA suggests that this makes it difficult to determine if \$150.0 will be an adequate amount to be affective in training low income women in Albuquerque. There are approximately 26,093 women aged 18 and over in Albuquerque who

live below the poverty line. If all 26,093 women came forward to benefit from job training services offered as a result of HB 916, it does not appear to be enough funding to adequately train all of them.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

The Office of Workforce Training and Development notes that it may be more appropriate for the appropriation to be made to the Office of Workforce Training and Development due to its experience administering workforce training programs under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998.

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