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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/13/07

SPONSOR Berry LAST UPDATED _____ HB 1072

SHORT TITLE ALBUQUERQUE SENIOR CITIZEN FITNESS PROGRAMS SB _____

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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$50.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Aging and Long Term Services Department

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 1072 appropriates \$50.0 from the General Fund for Albuquerque's Department of Senior Affairs to provide adult and senior citizen fitness programming at Manzano Mesa multigenerational center.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$50.0 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

The Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center provides program services for seniors, youth and community activities under one roof in southeast Albuquerque. Manzano Mesa has a fitness center on site and has implemented strength training and muscle toning programs as part of the Senior Sports and Fitness initiatives.

Appropriating these funds to a department other than the Aging and Long-Terms Services Department (ALTSD) may create a duplication of administrative oversight, redundancy in contract management and fragmentation to the service delivery system for seniors. Funding for programs such as this one are most appropriately placed with the ALTSD.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

ALTSD reports that, in Albuquerque and Bernalillo County, the physical fitness programs (Senior Sports and Fitness) receive funding from the City of Albuquerque Area Agency on Aging (AAA), through the Department of Senior Affairs to provide a variety of exercise, strength training and sports programs to improve the physical well being of senior citizens. The Department of Senior Affairs offers services to persons aged sixty and over through seven senior centers and 20 satellite meal sites. Fitness programming includes low-impact aerobics, gentle exercise, strength training, adapted aquatics, Senior Olympics and winter sports. Exercise classes are provided at most meal sites and all senior centers.

The Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center is funded by the AAA through the Department of Senior Affairs.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

The Department of Senior Affairs has a legislative request submitted through the City of Albuquerque Area Agency on Aging (AAA) to the ALTSD in the aging network legislative request contained in HB 131 (Senior Citizens Programs). The Department of Senior Affairs request includes a portion of this proposal directed toward health promotion to support specially-designed fitness programs to promote good health.

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