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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/8/07

SPONSOR Robinson LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Film and Media Employment Training and Production SB 384

ANALYST Leger

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$500.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to, SB 379 SB 758

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Economic Development Department (EDD)

New Mexico Higher Education Department (HED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 384 appropriates \$500 thousand from the general fund to the higher education department for the purpose of film and media employment training and productions.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$500 thousand 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

According to HED Santa Fe Community College (SFCC) operates a Film Technicians' Training Program (FTTP) to train students. FTTP is a mobile statewide program, offered at four state college throughout New Mexico. The FTTP provides hands-on academic training to those

interested in entering the film industry. Once students have an introduction to the film industry, students choose a specific craft and work on short productions such as public service announcements and commercials. The final semester is spent working on larger projects such as short film and independent films under the supervision of experienced crew members.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

Data provided by the NM Film Office states approximately 800 New Mexicans are employed in the film industry.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

SB 379 appropriates \$50 thousand to EDD to promote film and media enterprises in NM.

SB 758 appropriates \$500 thousand to EDD to support film and media employment training and student productions.

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