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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/18/2007

SPONSOR Campos LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE LUNA COLLEGE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE SB 1039

ANALYST Moser

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

| Appropriation | | Recurring or Non-Rec | Fund Affected |
|---------------|---------|-------------------------|------------------|
| FY07 | FY08 | | |
| | \$300.0 | Recurring | General Fund |
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(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

NM Department of Higher Education (HED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 1039 appropriates \$300,000 from the General Fund to the New Mexico Higher Education Department (NMHED) for expenditure in FY08 for a leadership institute at Luna Community College (LCC).

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$300,000 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 Luna Community College Leadership Institute was started two years ago as a summer program targeting at-promise high school students who are identified as students with social or academic issues, from economically-disadvantaged families to students with records of arrest or who are on probation, who would most benefit from a well-organized, intense week-long

residential program aimed at building leadership skills.

A request was submitted by Luna Community College to NMHED for review in the amount of \$118,200 for Summer Leadership Programs. This request is not included in the Department's funding recommendation for FY08.

In FY07, LCC did receive \$118,200 in recurring funding for Summer Leadership Programs under NMHED's Special Programs Allocations.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

HED advises that over the last 2 years, approximately 170 students were selected and successfully completed the summer program. This year, there are 100 students that are scheduled to participate, if the program is funded. Junior and senior high school students are selected from the following high schools: Raton, Maxwell, Springer, Wagon Mound, Mora, East and West Las Vegas, Pecos, and Santa Rosa. Students are housed at the National Guard Center adjacent to the college. The funds will be used for supplies, materials, professional services contracts for speakers and presenters, staff at Luna Community College who plan and coordinate the program, awards ceremonies, and full-time chaperones during the week-long program. Students who successfully complete the program receive one college credit towards the College Success Program at Luna Community College. Former speakers/presenters include experts in crisis counseling, leadership skills, substance abuse, National Guard representatives, and prevention and intervention counselors. Students are identified by school counselors as appropriate participants and are selected by the Leadership Institute Committee through an application program.

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