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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Garcia, M.J. **ORIGINAL DATE** 2-3-2008 **LAST UPDATED** _____ **HB** _____
SHORT TITLE New Mexico Hispanic Trends Forum **SB** 330
ANALYST Dearing

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09		
	\$100.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Cultural Affairs Department (DCA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 330 appropriates \$100 thousand from the general fund to Cultural Affairs department for the purpose of hosting or sponsoring a forum on trends among Hispanics in New Mexico and the United States.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100 thousand contained in this Senate Bill 330 is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY09 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The growing percentage of Hispanics in the United States and habits and demographic trends relating to health, economics, education and travel relating to culture are of interest to many people in both the public and private sectors.

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The \$100.0 appropriation would be used to facilitate, organize and market the forum. Department of Cultural Affairs would assign a staff member for organization and marketing of the forum.

According to the department, additional personnel resources will need to be hired in order to facilitate the forum. The department can utilize one of its properties to host the forum.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

If forum occurs at a department facility, the agency's performance measure focusing on facility outreach participation as well as the attendance measure targets would be beneficially impacted.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Conference or forum could be held at National Hispanic Cultural Center; with minimum additional overhead costs.

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