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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Campos ORIGINAL DATE 1/24/08
LAST UPDATED 1/25/08 HB _____
SHORT TITLE Estancia Trolley Operations SB 373
ANALYST Moser

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY09		
	\$100.0	Non-Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

NM Department of Transportation (NMDOT)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 373 appropriates \$100,000 from the general fund to Department of Transportation for the Estancia Trolley operations.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100,000 contained in this bill is a non-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

NMDOT indicates that it is not aware of any current trolley service in operation in Estancia or an anticipated date for such service to begin. Last year Estancia obtained one trolley bus from the City of Albuquerque and intends to provide trolley service in their community but does not know which type of trolley service will be provided (e.g. fixed route versus "dial-a-ride" service, service for the general public versus service for specific clientele such as elderly and persons with disabilities), the level or frequency of service (e.g. daily service versus weekday only service, peak hour only service versus all day service, number of trips per day), which areas of

the community will be served, the expected number of passengers, the anticipated cost of the service, or the fares to be charged.

Estancia is not currently receiving any Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds through the NMDOT and does not currently have any agreements with NMDOT regarding transit service.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

NMDOT would administer these funds on a reimbursement/cost basis as per state law. This would require Estancia to bill NMDOT for incurred expenses associated with the trolley service and to be reimbursed for same.

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