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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Campos	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	1/26/08 HB	
SHORT TITLE Las Vegas Youth Commission		SB	405	
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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	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 Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 405, Making an Appropriation to Support the Las Vegas Youth Commission to Implement Youth Commissions Statewide, appropriates \$100.0 thousand from the general fund to DFA for the purpose of implementing youth commissions statewide

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100.0 thousand contained in this bill 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

DFA notes that the Las Vegas Youth Commission is comprised of thirteen members ranging in ages 12 to 18. The Commission interacts with youth within the community and brings their concerns and issues to the Las Vegas City Council. They also study proposed ordinances that affect youth or the community (i.e. elimination of alcohol at Las Vegas Fiesta Days) and make recommendations or endorsements. Three of the local priorities are: 1) community image, 2) youth exposure to alcohol and alcohol advertising and 3) depression/suicide affecting youth.

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Other services of the Las Vegas Youth Commission are presentations at the local schools and through public service announcements.

The Las Vegas Youth Commission was modeled in 1998 after the Greeley, Colorado Youth Commission. Through the Commission, the youth of Las Vegas has the opportunity for exposure to civic government and a voice in their community. This appropriation would be used in part to fund initiatives of the Las Vegas Youth Commission and to establish youth commissions in communities within New Mexico that have expressed an interest.

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