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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)			
		ANALYST	Chabot
SHORT TITLE Las	Vegas Special Olympics	SB	
SPONSOR Vigil	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	02/17/09 HB	711

Appropriation Recurring or Non-Rec Affected FY09 FY10

\$75.0

Recurring

General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to an appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Department of Health (DOH)
Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (DDPC)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 711, Las Vegas Special Olympics, appropriates \$75 thousand from the general fund to DOH for the purpose of funding the Las Vegas Special Olympics to include fund registration fees, equipment, travel, board, lodging and uniforms for athletes with mental, physical or developmental disabilities.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$75 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2010 shall revert to the general fund.

The LFC submitted a balanced general fund appropriation recommendation for fiscal year 2010. Any additional general fund expenditures appropriated by the Legislature must be off-set by an equal amount from the appropriation recommendation.

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According to the February 2008 revenue estimate, FY10 recurring revenue will only support a base expenditure level that is \$575 million less than the FY09 appropriations before the 2009 solvency reductions. All appropriations outside of the general appropriation act will be viewed in this declining revenue context.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DDPC assesses that Special Olympics events and participation promotes integration and socialization for individuals with disabilities fostering a climate of inclusiveness and acceptance.

DOH has a base appropriation of \$295 thousand to support Special Olympics events statewide. This bill would augment this base appropriation with funding specifically dedicated to Las Vegas.

ALTERNATIVES

When funding is available, increase the base for sponsorship of statewide Special Olympic events.

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