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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

| SPONSOR | Pinto | ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED | 02/03/09 HB | |
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| SHORT TITL | LE Shiprock Domestic | Violence Shelter | SB | 186 |
| | | | ANALYST | Peery-Galon |

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

| Appropr | iation | Recurring or Non-Rec | Fund Affected |
|---------|---------|-------------------------|------------------|
| FY09 | FY10 | | |
| | \$100.0 | Recurring | General Fund |

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD)

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 186 appropriates \$100.0 from the general fund to the Local Government Division of the Department of Finance and Administration in fiscal year 2010 and 2011 to operate the domestic violence shelter in Shiprock in San Juan County. There is an emergency clause that the act take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$100.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2011 shall revert to the general fund.

According to the December 2008 revenue estimate, FY10 recurring revenue will only support a base expenditure level that is \$293 million, or 2.6 percent, less than the FY09 appropriation. All appropriations outside of the general appropriation act will be viewed in this declining revenue context.

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SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DFA reported Shiprock has available to its citizens the Home for Women and Children, Family Crisis Center and the Navajo United Methodist Church. In addition, Shiprock may seek help from the New Mexico Coalition Against Domestic Violence. This agency collaborates with other agencies and advocates against domestic violence in the areas of program development, public policy, education, training and funding proposals.

CYFD noted the proposed funding would be for direct services to domestic violence survivors, not for expansion or renovation of the existing physical plan. Currently, all domestic violence funds for the operation of shelters are competitively awarded through the request for proposal process. CYFD reported the FY09 funding for the operation in Shiprock is \$161 thousand.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

DFA reported the department's Local Government Division would enter into a grant agreement with the Town of Shiprock or San Juan County to ensure proper disbursement of funds appropriated.

ALTERNATIVES

DFA noted that Shiprock may seek alternative funding from existing relationships with the federal government, state government under a CYFD competitive grant process, the United Way, Navajo Way, and local governments of San Juan County.

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