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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 03/04/09

SPONSOR Harden LAST UPDATED _____ HM _____

SHORT TITLE Veterans' Health Center Near Angel Fire SM 29

ANALYST Varela

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY09	FY10		
	None		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY09	FY10	FY11	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
Total		\$0.1				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Veterans' Services (DVS)

Tourism Department (TD)

Economic Development Department (EDD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 39 requests the Department of Veterans' Services (DVS) work with the Economic Development Department (EDD), the Tourism Department (TD) and the Village of Angel Fire to study the feasibility of developing a veterans' health and healing center in the Moreno Valley near Angel Fire.

SM 39 resolves that the agencies present their findings to the appropriate interim committee of the legislature by Nov. 1, 2009.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

This memorial carries no appropriation. Costs of implementing the study would need to be absorbed by the participating departments.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DVS reports that Angel Fire is the home of the world renowned Vietnam Veterans Memorial State Park. Thousands of veterans from around the country travel to Angel Fire to visit the memorial every year. This memorial would study the feasibility of developing a center where veterans can seek treatment for a variety of health issues in a peaceful setting. Currently, there is no center dedicated solely to treating veterans in a rural, peaceful area of the country. A center such as this may be an economic boost to the local economy of the Moreno Valley by attracting veterans from around the country.

DUPLICATION

Duplicates HM 39.

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