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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/05/2016
SPONSOR Pinto **LAST UPDATED** _____ **HB** _____

SHORT TITLE Native American Domestic Violence Shelter **SB** 259

ANALYST Boerner

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY16	FY17		
	\$700.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY16	FY17	FY18	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		None Noted	None Noted			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

HB131 appropriates \$1 million to DOH to contract with sexual assault and rape crisis service centers to provide trauma-informed counseling to victims of sexual assault and rape;

HB231 appropriates \$1.5 million to DOH for sexual assault services programs;

SB123 appropriates \$4 million to CYFD to contract with a statewide entity that provides leadership, training, and support for programs assisting victims and survivors of domestic violence.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Indian Affairs Department (IAD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 259 appropriates \$700 thousand dollars from the general fund to the Indian Affairs Department for a domestic violence shelter in Bernalillo County serving Native Americans and Alaska Natives.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$700 thousand dollars contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2017 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

IAD noted there are currently no shelters in the Albuquerque area that specifically provide services for Native American families, women, and children. CYFD funds three shelters in Albuquerque (Enlace Comunitario; Domestic Violence Resource Center; and Safe House) that provide services that include leadership, training, and support programs to assist victims and survivors of domestic violence.

According to staff at the New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness, there are 55 thousand Native Americans who live in the Albuquerque metro area. Currently, there are services for domestic violence available in Indian country through grants that are provided by the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Violence against Women to tribal governments and this bill seems to augment those services for Native Americans living outside of Indian Country.

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