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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/2/2018

SPONSOR Trujillo, J/Trujillo, CA LAST UPDATED _____ HB 273

SHORT TITLE Senior Center Nutritional Programming SB _____

ANALYST Chenier

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY18	FY19		
	\$500.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

This bill duplicates Senate Bill 92

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD)
Department of Agriculture

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 273 appropriates \$500 thousand from the general fund to ALTSD to fund nutritional programming at senior centers statewide that provide fresh produce grown by New Mexico farmers to indigent seniors.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$500 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY19 shall revert to the general fund.

ALTSD said they would distribute this funding to senior centers through its network of area agencies, which would require staff time and management of contract amendments and reconciliation of this funding. The food items distributed would provide additional nutrition for the indigent seniors receiving them. Many senior centers are already engaged in food distribution through collaborative efforts with local food banks.

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