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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Sapient ORIGINAL DATE 1/29/2018
LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____
SHORT TITLE Special Olympics Preparation SB 130
ANALYST Chenier

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY18	FY19		
	\$310.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 130 appropriates \$310 thousand from the general fund to the Department of Health to fund participation by recipients of developmental disabilities Medicaid home- and community-based waiver supports and services in Special Olympics preparations and activities.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$310 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.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DOH stated that the Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) has previously had funding to support Special Olympics. This amount was \$310 thousand in FY16, and was reduced in FY17 to \$155 thousand as part of NMDOH-wide cost containment efforts. In FY18, this contract was eliminated. In FY18, DDSD requested a Special Appropriation to cover the Jackson and Waldrop lawsuit costs and only received \$1 million, which was insufficient to cover costs. The University of New Mexico Outside Review contract (which is a direct result of Jackson and

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Waldrop) costs \$1.4 million alone. The reduction of Special Olympics in FY18 was used to cover budget deficits associated with the Jackson and Waldrop lawsuits.

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