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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Correa Hemphill LAST UPDATED _____
ORIGINAL DATE 1/24/24
SHORT TITLE Suicide Prevention Training BILL NUMBER Senate Bill 60
ANALYST Jorgensen

APPROPRIATION* (dollars in thousands)

FY24	FY25	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
	\$375.0	Recurring	General Fund

Parentheses () indicate expenditure decreases.

*Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

Relates to Senate Bill 41

Sources of Information

LFC Files

Agency Analysis was Solicited but Not Received From
Santa Fe Community College

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Senate Bill 60

Senate Bill 60 (SB60) appropriates \$375 thousand from the general fund to the Santa Fe Community College for the purpose of creating and staffing an evidence-based suicide prevention program.

This bill does not contain an effective date and, as a result, would go into effect 90 days after the Legislature adjourns, or May 15, 2024, if enacted

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$375 thousand contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY26 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Higher Education Department reports in analysis for related legislation that “currently enrolled students can receive some level of mental health services at nearly every higher education institute (HEI) across the state. However, type, level, and availability of services vary by HEI. Services may include walk-in services, in-person counseling appointments, video appointments, and crisis hotlines.”

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

SB60 appropriates \$375 thousand for a suicide prevention program at Santa Fe Community College. It is unclear if the appropriation contained in Senate Bill 41 duplicates and expands funding for this program.

The LFC has recommended an appropriation of \$2 million over four years from an expendable trust to support a suicide prevention program at Santa Fe Community College.

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