Cover Analysis

1. What is it?

The Albuquerque Police Department (APD) submitted an application for a 2010 Solving Cold Cases with DNA grant from the Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice. Grant funding will be used to contract a vendor to analyze additional DNA samples and to provide travel and training opportunities to Cold Case Unit detectives.

2. What will this piece of legislation do?

This legislation will authorize the Albuquerque Police Department to accept grant funds from the Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice for contracted DNA services, travel and training.

3. Why is the project needed?

The project is needed to increase the number of DNA samples being analyzed to solve cold case crimes.

4. How much will it cost and what is the funding source?

The APD will receive \$217,972 from the Department of Justice, National Institute of Justice. Indirect costs in the amount of \$5,998 are required to support this grant and are available in the Fiscal Year 2010 Transfer to Operating Grants Fund Program in the General Fund. FICA charges of \$1,481 will be covered by grant funds.

5. What will happen if the project is not approved?

If the project is not approved, APD will not be able to increase the number of DNA samples analyzed to help solve cold cases.