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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 3/9/09

SPONSOR Rehm LAST UPDATED _____ HM 74

SHORT TITLE Study Indigent Care at UNM Hospital SB _____

ANALYST Earnest

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY09	FY10		
	None		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Memorial 74 requests the Human Services Department (HSD):

- collaborate with the New Mexico Association of Counties and the University of New Mexico Hospital to study the funding of indigent care at the University of New Mexico Hospital;
- explore alternative funding mechanisms, including the potential for obtaining federal matching funds, that will reduce the burden on Bernalillo county taxpayers while retaining access to services at the University of New Mexico Hospital for all New Mexico residents;
- consult with the higher education department, the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center and others, as appropriate, in conducting the study; and
- report the findings and recommendations of the study to the interim legislative health and human services committee and the legislative finance committee by October 1, 2009.

Copies of the Memorial shall be transmitted to the Human Services Department, the New Mexico Association of Counties and the University of New Mexico Hospital.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There may be some administrative costs for HSD and the other identified entities to conduct the study.

RELATIONSHIP

Relates to House Bill 27, House Bill 48 and House Bill 55.

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