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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 02/23/15

SPONSOR Roch LAST UPDATED _____ HM 74

SHORT TITLE Protect State Land From Chicken Listing SB _____

ANALYST Sanogo

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY15	FY16	FY17	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	Undetermined See "Fiscal Implications"					

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files
 Department of Game and Fish (DGF)
 State Land Office (SLO)

SUMMARY

HM 74 resolves that the commissioner of public lands take all measures to conserve and delist the lesser prairie chicken (LPC) under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The commissioner is requested to work with state and local agencies, and the appropriate officials in the neighboring states where the LPC is currently listed as an endangered species.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

HM 74 is related to HB 468. These bills may impact future funding received by the Department of Game and Fish (DGF) pursuant to Section 6 of the federal ESA of 1973 (Title 16 USC, Parts 1531-1544) if the Secretary of Interior determines that, pursuant to requirement language within the federal statute, the state program is not in accordance with ESA. Currently the Department receives approximately \$250 thousand of Section 6 funding each year.

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