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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

**BILL NUMBER:** Senate Memorial 13

**SHORT TITLE:** Study Restructuring Las Vegas Land Grant

**SPONSOR:** Jaramillo/Maestas

**LAST ORIGINAL**  
**UPDATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** 2/1/2026 **ANALYST:** Jacobs

### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT\* (dollars in thousands)

Agency/Program	FY26	FY27	FY28	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Attorney General	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Recurring	General Fund
Land Grant Council	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Recurring	General Fund
Courts	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Recurring	General Fund
<b>Total</b>	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Indeterminate but minimal	Recurring	General Fund

Parentheses ( ) indicate expenditure decreases.

\*Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

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### Sources of Information

LFC Files

Agency or Agencies Providing Analysis  
Administrative Office of the Courts

Agency or Agencies That Were Asked for Analysis but did not Respond  
New Mexico Attorney General

Other Respondents  
State Land Office

## SUMMARY

### Synopsis of Senate Memorial 13

Senate Memorial 13 (SM13) requests the Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Division of the New Mexico Attorney General (NMAG) and the Land Grant Council study the consequences of potentially restricting the Las Vegas Land Grant. The memorial requests NMAG and the Land Grant Council report their findings to appropriate legislative committees by December 1, 2026.

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The district court of San Miguel manages and appoints the board of trustees for the Las Vegas Land Grant. The memorial would request the Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Division of the NMAG and the Land Grant Council study potential consequences of divesting management from the 4th Judicial District Court and restructuring Las Vegas Land Grant authority. There would be costs to both entities for administering the study and for presenting their findings before the mandated deadline.

In analysis for the duplicate memorial in the House, the State Land Offices does not report a fiscal impact to the agency.

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) reports there would be minimal administrative costs for the participation of any judicial personnel in the study.

## **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

AOC notes the 4th Judicial District Court has expressed confusion with its role managing the land grant.

## **CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

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