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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 02/03/14

SPONSOR Torraco **LAST UPDATED** _____ **HB** _____

SHORT TITLE 1980 Prison Riot & Criminal Justice Reform **SM** 63

ANALYST Chenier

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY14	FY15	FY16	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	NFI	NFI	NFI			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 63 recognizes the 1980 prison riot at the penitentiary of New Mexico and expresses commitment to criminal justice reform resulting in greater public safety. The memorial further commends the New Mexico Corrections Department (NMCD) for commitment to increasing public safety by lowering recidivism.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal impact.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The memorial states that on February 2-4, 1980 the Penitentiary of New Mexico was the sight of what remains one of the most savage and deadly prison riots in this nation's history due to overcrowding, lack of programs, poor living conditions, and unsatisfactory food. During the riot 33 inmates were killed and ninety were injured. Fourteen corrections officers were also held hostage, assaulted, or injured by rioting inmates.

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