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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE	Assess Ft. Stanton as	State Monument		SB	
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APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring	Fund				
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02	or Non-Rec	Affected				
No Fiscal Impact									

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Cultural Affairs (OCA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

The Assess Ft. Stanton as State Monument House Joint Memorial requests that the Office of Cultural Affairs assess the eligibility of Fort Stanton as a State Monument.

Significant Issues

New Mexico State Monuments are a part of the Museum of New Mexico system, a division of the Office of Cultural Affairs. It is appropriate that staff members of the State Monuments unit study the criteria for official "New Mexico State Monument" designation in order to determine whether or not Fort Stanton should receive this classification and subsequently be developed and administered as a State Monument.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The assessment itself would not require any additional funding since it would be completed by the staff of the State Monuments unit of the Museum of New Mexico system.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

In addition to assessing the historical and physical attributes of Fort Stanton to determine eligibility, such a feasibility study must scrutinize the ability of the State to develop and manage yet another State Monument. There are presently five State Monuments -- Lincoln, Ft. Selden, Coronado, Ft. Sumner and Jemez -- owned, funded and operated by the State. In addition, New Mexico's newest

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State Monument, El Camino Real International Heritage Center, is currently being developed on a site between Socorro and Truth or Consequences. Also, a major addition to Ft. Sumner is in its final planning stages -- the Bosque Redondo Memorial.

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