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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Lyons DATE TYPED: 02/18/01 HB _____
 SHORT TITLE: Develop Land Use Planner Certification SB SJM 7
 ANALYST: Padilla

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
	NFI		NFI		

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Relates to HJM15 which requests the state’s universities to develop outreach programs to provide land use planning and zoning assistance to local governments.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files
 Department of Finance and Administration

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Memorial 7 requests the New Mexico Municipal League and the New Mexico Association of Counties to study the possibility of developing a program for the certification of land use planners in the state. The memorial asks the organizations to report their finding to an interim legislative committee.

Significant Issues

The interim Legislative Committee on Land Use developed this memorial following its work in the 2000 interim. The committee noted that small local governments are disadvantaged in land use planning because they have little access to certified land use planners.

DFA notes that the New Mexico Municipal League sponsors an annual conference of the League of Zoning Officials and that this conference could be a vehicle for certifying local land use planners. DFA also notes that any efforts to enhance local land use planning should not detract from the planning certification process of the American Institute of Certified Planners.

RELATIONSHIP

HJM15 which requests the state’s universities to develop outreach programs to provide land use planning and zoning assistance to local governments.

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