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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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| SHORT TITLE: | Study Legislative Committee Process | | | SB | SJM 64 |
| | | | ANAL | YST: | Burch |

APPROPRIATION

| Appropriation Contained | | Estimated Additional Impact | | Recurring | Fund |
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| FY01 | FY02 | FY01 | FY02 | or Non-Rec | Affected |
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(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Memorial 64 requests the Legislative Council to study the roles, responsibilities, functions, structure and organization of the committee process and the necessary staff support for this process, including the:

- standing, statutory and Legislative Council-created interim committees to identify opportunities to more effectively structure and organize their work and responsibilities
- roles, functions and organization of the staff required to support the work of the committees in carrying out their legislative responsibilities, including the technical expertise needed; and
- organization of the legislative committee process and its support staff in other states and identify options regarding effective and efficient committee roles, responsibilities, organization and structures, the adequacy of the staff and the optimum staffing structure, organization and functions.

The Legislative Council is requested to solicit input from legislative members and staff and report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature in 2002.

Significant Issues

^{**}Please see Fiscal Implications section of this report.

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The joint memorial recognizes the growing number of responsibilities that have shifted to the states from the federal government and that the size and complexity of government operations have grown over the last decade. Further, the joint memorial states that the growth in the number of interim committees/task forces, etc., that were created to respond to these growing complexities has led to duplication and inefficient and ineffective use of legislative staff.

During the 2000 interim, there were 21 statutorily created committees and 8 Legislative Council-created committees. Currently, the House has 16 standing committees and the Senate has 9 (see attachment for list of committees).

FISCAL ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Existing legislative staff will probably support the work directed in the joint memorial. No additional FTE or appropriations are required.

DKB/ar Attachment **TABLE 1. House and Senate Standing Committees**

| House | Senate |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Appropriations & Finance | Conservation |
| Agriculture & Water Resources | Corporations & Transportation |
| Business & Industry | Education |
| Consumer & Public Affairs | Finance |
| Education | Indian & Cultural Affairs |
| Energy & Natural Resources | Judiciary |
| Government & Urban Affairs | Public Affairs |
| Judiciary | Rules |
| Labor & Human Resources | Committees' Committee |
| Taxation & Revenue | |
| Transportation | |
| Voters & Elections | |
| Printing & Supplies | |
| Rules & Order of Business | |
| Enrolling & Engrossing - A | |
| Enrolling & Engrossing - B | |

TABLE 2. Statutory and Legislative Council-Created Interim Committees

| Statutory | Legislative Council-Created |
|--|---|
| Legislative Council (§2-3-1 NMSA 1978) | Courts & Criminal Justice Committee |
| Legislative Education Study Committee (§2-10-1 NMSA 1978) | Economic & Rural Development & Telecommunications Committee |
| Legislative Finance Committee (§2-5-1 NMSA 1978) | Education Initiatives & Accountability Task Force |
| Child Health Program Oversight Committee (§27-12-7 NMSA 1978) | Indian Affairs Committee |
| Corrections Oversight Committee (Laws 2000, Chapter 106) | Land Use Committee |
| Information Technology Oversight Committee (§15-1C-1 NMSA 1798) | Legislative Health Subcommittee |
| Interim Legislative Ethics Committee (§2-15-7 NMSA 1978) | Public School Cap8ital Outlay Task Force (SJM 21, Second Special Session, 2000) |
| Legislative Committee on Compacts (§11-13A-1 NMSA 1978) | Water & Natural Resources Committee |
| Legislative Health & Human Services Committee (§2-13-1 NMSA 1978) | |
| Lottery Oversight Committee (§6-24-9 NMSA 1978) | |
| Mortgage Finance Authority Act Oversight Committee (§58-18-5(W) NMSA 1978) | |

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

Attachment

| Statutory | Legislative Council-Created |
|---|-----------------------------|
| New Mexico Finance Authority Oversight Committee (§6-21-30 NMSA 1978) | |
| Radioactive & Hazardous Materials Committee (§74-4A-9 NMSA 1978) | |
| Revenue Stabilization & Tax Policy Committee (§2-16-1 NMSA 1978) | |
| Tobacco Settlement Revenue Oversight Committee (§6-4-11 NMSA 1978) | |
| Welfare Reform Oversight Committee (§2-17-1 NMSA 1978) | |
| Senate Rules Committee (Article 4, Section 42 of N.M. Constitution) | |
| Commission on Uniform State Laws (§2-4-1 NMSA 1978) | |
| Educational Commission of the States (§11-8-4 NMSA 1978) | |
| Organized Crime Oversight Committee (§29-9-12 NMSA 1978) | |