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# FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Garcia, M.H.	DATE TYPED:	02/07/01	HB	271
SHORT TITLE: Agricultural Product		Marketing		SB	
			ANALY	YST:	Fernandez

## **APPROPRIATION**

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring	Fund
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02	or Non-Rec	Affected
	\$ 300.0			Recurring	G/F

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Commission On Higher Education (CHE)

#### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

This bill appropriates \$300.0 from the general fund to the board of regents of New Mexico State University, Department of Agriculture, for the purpose of marketing New Mexico agricultural products.

#### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

Department of Agriculture submitted the following performance measures for this project:

- Increase state and regional markets for small-scale farmers by 10 percent.
- Increase the number of New Mexico food products and produce sold in state and regional retail stores by 10 percent.
- Increase the number of state and regional markets for New Mexico food products and produce by 5 percent.
- Increase the number of distributors/brokers handling New Mexico food products and produce by 5 percent.
- Increase the number of new food products processed in New Mexico by 5 percent.

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## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$300.0 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2002 shall revert to the general fund.

## CONFLICT/DUPLICATION/COMPANIONSHIP/RELATIONSHIP

Included in HB2, Section 4, in the appropriation to New Mexico State University, Department of Agriculture, is \$50.0 to market New Mexico agriculture products.

### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

The CHE recommends language be added to require the institution to submit a program evaluation to LFC and CHE by August 2, 2004 detailing the benefits of having this program implemented for a 3-year period.

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