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APPROPRIATION

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

New Mexico Corrections Department (NMCD) Parole Board (PB) New Mexico Sentencing Commission (NMSC)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 100 amends existing criminal law to require life imprisonment without the possibility of parole for persons convicted of either three violent felonies, or two or more violent sexual offenses.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

NMCD reports that the change from a 30 year life sentence to life imprisonment with no possibility of parole will result eventually in a larger and older prison population. Costs will incur with an older prison population from geriatric services that include hospital care and disability accommodations.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

NMCD states that the bill could increase administrative burdens as a result of a larger number of violent offenders being incarcerated for life. **RLP/lg**