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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Salazar	DATE TYPED	02/09/05	HB	468
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ANALYST					Ford

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Add	litional Impact	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
			NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 468 changes the conditions under which Rio Arriba County can conduct an election regarding a proposed property tax increase to fund health care. Current law provides that the election on a proposed health mill levy shall not occur in the same year as an election held pursuant to Section 4-48B-15 NMSA 1978. This bill would instead provide that the election cannot be held on the same *ballot* as an election held pursuant to 4-48B-15 NMSA 1978.

Significant Issues

In the 2004 Legislative Session, Senate Bill 518 was passed to allow Rio Arriba County to permit the imposition of new property taxes for the purpose of providing health care to sick and indigent persons. Senate Bill 518 provided that the election for a proposed tax increase could not be held in the same year as an election pursuant to 4-48B-45 NMSA 1978, which relates to property tax assessments that support county hospitals.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

House Bill 468 would have no fiscal impact to the state but may impact Rio Arriba County's ability to raise its property tax rate.

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