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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Garcia	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	3/11/07 HI	۱
SHORT TITLE Radium Springs In		In Transportation		SM 76
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ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY07	FY08	FY09	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
Total		Indeterminate			Non- Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 76 requests the expeditious development of viable transportation access to the historic Radium Hot Springs Inn.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The memorial itself has no fiscal impact. However, implementing its intent will require expenditures that are as yet unknown.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

SM 76 cites the historic importance of Radium Hot Springs to Native American traders and later as arrest stop for Spanish traders and soldiers traveling El Camino Real between Mexico and Northern New Mexico. Further, SM 76 reports the construction of an inn where the individuals could avail themselves of the benefits of the mineral springs.

SM 76 notes that Radium Springs Inn could become a viable tourist attraction and be an economic asset for Dona Ana County and surrounding area. Job creation as well as other economic benefits is cited in the memorial. The memorial states that carrying out the intent of the memorial will help the area recover a lost economic opportunity.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

The memorial resolves that

options for improving public access to the

Radium Hot Springs inn be evaluated and developed through a collaborative process that includes Dona Ana county, the village of Radium Springs, the bureau of reclamation in the United States department of the interior, the Elephant Butte irrigation district, the United States international boundary and water commission, the state parks division of the energy, minerals and natural resources department, the hotel owners and other interested stakeholders; and

further resolves that the above-mentioned parties submit a report and analysis of various access options to the legislature, members of the Dona Ana county legislative delegation and Dona Ana county within ninety days of the passage of this memorial, and that Dona Ana county take responsibility for preparing this report with the full consent of the involved parties.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The expeditious improvement of transportation to and from the Radium Springs Inn man not occur

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