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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/26/10

SPONSOR Steinborn LAST UPDATED _____ HB 66

SHORT TITLE Military Base Planning Commission and Office SB _____

ANALYST Lucero

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY09	FY10	FY11	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
Total			\$154.0	\$462.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to LFC Sunset Committee proposed bill.
 Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Office of Military Base Planning and Support (OMBPS)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 66 amends Section 9-15-51 NMSA 1978 to extend the life of the Office of Military Base Planning and Support and the Military Base Planning Commission, originally scheduled to “sunset” on July 1 2010, to July 1, 2014.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The Office of Military Base Planning and Support, and the Military Base Planning Commission are funded at a level of approximately \$154,000 per year in the General Appropriation Act. The estimated additional operating budget impact includes funding the program at or near the current level for an additional four years.

According to the December 2008 revenue estimate, FY10 recurring revenue will only support a base expenditure level that is \$293 million, or 2.6 percent, less than the FY09 appropriation. All appropriations outside of the general appropriation act will be viewed in this declining revenue context

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The interim LFC Sunset Committee held hearings concerning the expiration of the Office of Military Base Planning and Support (OMBPS) and Commission. Together with all other boards, commissions, and agencies the Sunset Committee has drafted a bill based on the actions of the committee. Regarding OMBPS, the committee recommends an extension until 2012; however, this bill proposes to extend the agency until 2014.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

According to the Office of Military Base Planning and Support (OMBPS), the State of New Mexico and New Mexico's military installations have benefited tremendously from the staff and of office. Further, the Military Base Planning Commission brings together the collective experience and abilities of communities across the State in support of all four New Mexico military installations.

RELATIONSHIP

Relates to an LFC Sunset Committee proposed bill.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

According to Legislative Council Service bill drafters, OMBPS can only be extended for a period of 2 or 4 years. The Sunset Committee selected the shorter of the two possibilities.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

According to the Office of Military Base Planning and Support:

The Director and the Military Base Planning Commission have been an important supportive role for all four New Mexico installations and Fort Bliss through air space and land-use planning, Base Realignment and Closure, tax initiatives, mission advocacy, organized community growth, interaction with the Congressional Delegation and the New Mexico Legislature, Governor, and the Lieutenant Governor.

ALTERNATIVES

Instead of extending the life of boards, commissions, and agencies in a piecemeal fashion, consideration should be given to adopting one bill, such as the LFC Sunset Committee proposed bill.

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