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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

**ORIGINAL DATE**  
**LAST UPDATED** 02/11/12 **HB** \_\_\_\_\_

**SPONSOR** Rodriguez

**SHORT TITLE** Disabilities Concerns Committee **SB** 210

**ANALYST** Esquibel

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

| Appropriation |      | Recurring<br>or Nonrecurring | Fund<br>Affected |
|---------------|------|------------------------------|------------------|
| FY12          | FY13 |                              |                  |
|               | None |                              |                  |

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)  
 Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (DDPC)  
 Department of Health (DOH)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 210 (SB210) enacts a new section of Chapter 2, Article 13 NMSA 1978 to create a permanent joint interim committee; repealing a section of Chapter 2, Article 13 NMSA 1978 relating to the Disabilities Concerns Subcommittee of the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee. The bill proposes that the Disabilities Concerns Committee be composed of six voting members and two advisory members. The Legislative Council would appoint three voting members and one advisory member from the Senate. The Council also designates the chair and vice chair. The members would also be comprised of the same proportion of members from the two major political parties. Membership may be removed at the request of the committee chair. Vacancies may be filled by the Legislative Council. Under the provisions of SB210, the Disabilities Concerns Committee would conduct a continuing study of the programs, agencies, policies, issues and needs relating to individuals with disabilities, including review and study of the statutes, constitutional provisions, regulations and court decisions governing the various programs, agencies and issues. Additionally, the Committee would study the full continuum of programs and services available and needed for individuals with disabilities. The Committee would report its findings and recommendations for consideration of each session of the Legislature, on or before December 15th of each year. Committee staffing would be

provided by the Legislative Council Service. Subcommittees could be created by majority vote of all members appointed to the Committee.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The bill contains no appropriation.

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

The Department of Health (DOH) indicates its Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD) receives advice from, and collaborates with the Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, the Governor’s Committee on Disability, and other existing legislative committees including the current Disabilities Concerns Subcommittee of the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee. In addition, the DDSD works with a key stakeholder advisory group, the Advisory Council on Quality for Supports to Persons with Developmental Disabilities and Families, authorized under the New Mexico Developmental Disabilities Act. If SB210 were enacted, the Department of Health would continue to provide information and testimony to the Disabilities Concerns Interim Committee as well as the Legislative Health and Human Services Interim Committee.

The Developmental Disabilities Planning Council and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation indicate their willingness to collaborate with the proposed Disabilities Concerns Committee.

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