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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 01/17/13

SPONSOR Papen LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE “Colonias Day at the Legislature” SJM 7

ANALYST Chabot

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY13	FY14	FY15	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	Minimal					

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Memorial 7 establishes January 21, 2013 as Colonias Day at the Legislature and requests the Governor and her departments assist local efforts to improve the quality of life by adding rural communities and Colonias to the state’s priority list of programs.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Costs advertising the Colonias Day will result. Costs related to Colonias programs would be funded within available revenue.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Colonias residents face problems of poor infrastructure such as lack of water systems, roads, and utilities that negatively impact livelihoods. Improvements in these areas lag behind other incorporated areas in the state. This memorial recognizes Colonias’ and urges the governor and her cabinet to work with the New Mexico association of counties to add improvements for rural areas and Colonias to the priority action list for legislative funding. Statute requires five percent of revenue from severance tax bonds are used for Colonias improvements.

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