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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Lara ORIGINAL DATE 02/11/21
LAST UPDATED _____ HB 224
SHORT TITLE Community Action Board Changes SB _____
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ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY21	FY22	FY23	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	NFI	NFI	NFI			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Human Services Department

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 224 removes a requirement that communication boards consist of 15 members and a restriction that no member serve more than 10 years total.

There is no effective date of this bill. It is assumed the effective date is 90 days following adjournment of the Legislature.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Under the bill, community action boards would have no additional duties. There is no fiscal impact.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The Human Services Department (HSD) reports the removal of the 15-member requirement will align the New Mexico Community Action Act, Sections 27-8-1 through 27-8-9 NMSA 1978, with federal community services block grant requirements. HSD's Income Support Division allocates federal funds from the community services block grant to six community action agencies created under the act. HSD notes boards in rural areas might struggle to attract 15 board members.

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