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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS
2024 REGULAR SESSION**

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Check all that apply:

Original **Amendment**
Correction **Substitute**

Date 02/09/2024

Bill No: HB242

Sponsor: Doreen Y. Gallegos /Daniel A. Ivey-Soto
Short Title: Marriage & Divorce License Changes

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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25		
NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25	FY26		
NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY24	FY25	FY26	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis: **HB 242** Is clarifying the process of solemnization, licensure, and contracts for marriage, allowing appearance by remote communication technology for the issuance of a marriage license for uniformed services members who are deployed or on active duty. It also provides forms for dissolution of marriage on grounds of the marriage being void, voidable or invalid. It amends fees prescribing marriage recording and indexing guidelines. It will amend penalties revising terms that describe parties to a marriage, clarifying property rights, amending, repealing and enacting section of Chapter 40 NMSA 1978.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS – HB 242 would not create any fiscal impact to the New Department of Veterans Services, nor do we anticipate any fiscal impact in the future.

Note: major assumptions underlying fiscal impact should be documented.

Note: if additional operating budget impact is estimated, assumptions and calculations should be reported in this section.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES – None noted by reviewer.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS – Minimal impact to the agency. NMDVS staff would update benefit trainings and include HB 242 language to inform veterans and or their dependents of the information.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS – None noted by reviewer.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP – None noted by reviewer.

TECHNICAL ISSUES - None noted by reviewer.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES - None noted by reviewer.

ALTERNATIVES - None noted by reviewer.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL – Uniformed personnel who are deployed on active duty would be required to appear in person to have their marriage dissolved, voided, voidable or invalidated.

AMENDMENTS – BILL 242 as amended in Amendment , 1 dated 02/09/2024, does not impact the agency analysis previously submitted 1/26/2024.