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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 1/18/2024
Bill No: SB 51

Sponsor: Cliff R. Pirtle
Short Title: State Meat Inspection Program

Agency Name and Code NM Livestock Board 50800
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25		
0.0	0.0	n/a	n/a

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25	FY26		
0.0	0.0	0.0	n/a	n/a

(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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	n/a	n/a

(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:

This bill instructs the board of regents at New Mexico State University through the New Mexico Livestock Board (NMLB), to develop and administer a state meat inspection program (MIP) with all necessary rules for ensuring food safety that meets or exceeds the standards and requirements for a state meat inspection program under the Federal Meat Inspection Act.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

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.

Fiscal implications are unknown, however the NMLB has funding for FY24 and has included funding in the FY25 budget request for an In-State Meat & Poultry Inspection (MPI) Program.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

It is unclear how one constitutional board can work together or through an executive board. In addition it is unclear the legality of this scenario.

Currently, various statutes authorize the NMLB to establish and maintain an In-State MPI Program; under 77-2-1 the NMLB is authorized to oversee the New Mexico meat inspection program; under 77-2-7(I) the NMLB is authorized to promulgate rules for meat inspection; under 77-9-44 the NMLB is authorized to perform ownership verification. The Board of Regents of New Mexico State University does not have any statutory authorities to establish a state meat inspection program.

The NMLB currently employs animal health veterinarians, which is a requirement to be met to establish a MIP.

The NMLB has law enforcement authorities for compliance implementation.

The NMLB has developed a firm foundation for a MIP by developing and gaining SPO Board

approval for a New Mexico Meat & Poultry Inspection series.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

N/A

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

N/A

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

SB 51 (226885.1) conflicts with SB 37 (226913.1SA) which seeks authorization to create an In-State Meat & Poultry Inspection Program within the NMLB.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

N/A

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

N/A

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

NMLB will continue to seek additional authorities to develop a quality meat inspection program.

AMENDMENTS

N/A