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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2026 REGULAR SESSION****WITHIN 24 HOURS OF BILL POSTING, UPLOAD ANALYSIS TO****[AgencyAnalysis.nmlegis.gov](https://agencyanalysis.nmlegis.gov) and email to [billanalysis@dfa.nm.gov](mailto:billanalysis@dfa.nm.gov)****(Analysis must be uploaded as a PDF)****SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION***{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}***Date Prepared:** 01/20/2026*Check all that apply:***Bill Number:** HB74Original X ☐ Correction ☐Amendment ☐ Substitute ☐**Sponsor:** Andrea Reeb**Short Title:** Habitual Offender Statute ofLimitations**Agency Name  
and Code****Number:**770- NMCD**Person Writing**A. Griego Quintana**Phone:** 505-479-2296**Email** Anisa.griego-quinta@cd.nm.gov**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT****APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27		

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27	FY28		

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate revenue decreases)

**ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)**

	FY26	FY27	FY28	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>	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: House Bill 74 would amend the Criminal Code to remove the 10-year time limit for counting prior felony convictions when determining if someone is a habitual offender. Under current law, only felony convictions from the past 10 years count toward habitual offender status, but this bill would make all prior felony convictions count regardless of how long ago they occurred.

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

By removing the ten-year lookback, House Bill 74 expands the group of defendants subject to habitual enhancements, including individuals who are currently sentenced as first-time offenders. Over time, this will increase sentence length and time served across a broad range of cases, resulting in a potential long-term population and cost impact.

#### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

None

#### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

None

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

None

#### **CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

None

#### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

None

#### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

None

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

None

#### **WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

None

#### **AMENDMENTS**

None