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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2026 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}*

**Date Prepared:** 1/28/26 **Bill Number:** HB157 **Original**  **Amendment**  **Substitute**

**Short Title:** PREGNANCY AND PARENTING WEBSITE AND HOTLINE

**Sponsor:** Rep. Jenifer Jones

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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27		
\$0.0	\$0.0	Nonrecurring	GF

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate expenditure decreases)

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27	FY28		
\$0.0	\$100.0	\$0.0	Nonrecurring	GF

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate revenue decreases)

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

	<b>FY26</b>	<b>FY27</b>	<b>FY28</b>	<b>3 Year Total Cost</b>	<b>Recurring or Nonrecurring</b>	<b>Fund Affected</b>
<b>Total</b>	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	NA	NA

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

**SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

**BILL SUMMARY**

Synopsis: HB157 appropriates \$100,000 to the Department of Health to develop a pregnancy and parenting website and hotline to provide information on the following:

- Social services
- Financial assistance
- Adoption services
- Pregnancy and parenting information
- Planning guidance
- Care centers
- Other available public and private resources for expectant families and new parents

Unspent funds revert to the General Fund.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

None

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

A DOH-hosted website and hotline that increase access to evidence-based information to the community could improve the health of New Mexicans. As such the other available public and private resources should include a full-scope reproductive health, potentially including abortion services. The proposed website would have to be carefully curated to ensure that the State of New Mexico is not providing validation or referrals to centers that do not provide evidence-based care.

The term ‘care centers’ is not well defined in this bill. Information about childcare centers or birth centers would be useful. Information about crisis pregnancy centers would not align with evidence-based practice or recommendations by professional organizations.

American College of Obstetricians & Gynecologists Issue Brief: Crisis Pregnancy Centers  
<https://www.acog.org/advocacy/abortion-is-essential/trending-issues/issue-brief-crisis-pregnancy-centers>

Crisis Pregnancy Centers in the U.S.: Lack of Adherence to Medical and Ethical Practice Standards Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine and the North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology Journal of Adolescent Health, Volume 65, Issue 6, 821-824

Montoya MN, Judge-Golden C, Swartz JJ. The Problems with Crisis Pregnancy Centers:

Reviewing the Literature and Identifying New Directions for Future Research. Int J Womens Health. 2022 Jun 8;14:757-763. doi: 10.2147/IJWH.S288861. PMID: 35706995; PMCID: PMC9189146.

**PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

None

**ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

HB 157 may result in an increase in referrals to Income Support Division (ISD) programs, which could lead to higher application volumes and increased workload for field staff. Implementation would require ongoing coordination with the Department of Health to ensure timely and accurate information sharing and ability to educate staff.

**CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

None

**TECHNICAL ISSUES**

None

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

None

**ALTERNATIVES**

None

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

Status quo

**AMENDMENTS**

None