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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2026 REGULAR SESSION**

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[AgencyAnalysis.nmlegis.gov](http://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: 2/3/2026

Check all that apply:

Bill Number: HB 284Original  Correction Amendment  Substitute 

Sponsor: Rep. Meredith A. Dixon, Rep. Kristina Ortez  
 Short Title: Create Office of Energy Info

Agency Name and Code: NM Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management-79500

Person Writing: Amber GonzalesPhone: 505-487-6692 Email: Amber.gonzales@dhsem.nm.gov**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT****APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY26	FY27		
	\$3,000.0	Nonrecurring	General Fund

**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>						

(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 284 creates the Office of Energy Information, administratively attached to the Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department, to collect, analyze, and publish energy and emissions data from executive agencies, energy-sector entities, and, through consultation, Indian nations, tribes, and pueblos. The office is tasked with standardizing data collection, protecting confidential and proprietary information, and producing an annual public report analyzing energy production, costs, emissions, and industry structure across the state.

The bill requires energy-sector entities to submit detailed energy and emissions data and directs multiple state agencies, including the New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, to provide requested data. HB 284 also establishes an interagency energy information working group to coordinate data sharing and identify permanent reporting formats and schedules. The bill appropriates funds for implementation and becomes effective July 1, 2026

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

HB 284 appropriates \$3.0 million to support staffing and operations of the Office of Energy Information. While DHSEM is required to provide energy and emissions data upon request, the bill does not provide funding to DHSEM for data collection or reporting activities.

### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

The bill creates a centralized framework for collecting and analyzing energy and emissions data across multiple sectors and agencies. While this may improve statewide energy planning and transparency, it also expands reporting obligations for energy-sector entities and participating agencies. The breadth of data required, including costs, fuel use, and infrastructure details, raises considerations related to administrative burden and data confidentiality, which the bill addresses through trade secret and confidentiality protections.

### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

Refer to Administrative Implications.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

DHSEM would be required to respond to data requests from the Office of Energy Information related to energy use and emissions associated with agency operations or emergency activities.

The bill does not appropriate funds for DHSEM, create new programs, or require additional staffing. DHSEM's responsibilities under the bill are limited to administrative coordination and the provision of existing energy and emissions data upon request, as well as designation of a representative to participate in a temporary interagency working group. Additionally, DHSEM Human Resources may experience a limited administrative impact to ensure that any classified DHSEM employee assigned to support the Energy Information Working Group is appropriately compensated and that assigned duties remain within the scope of the employee's classification.

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

### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

**ALTERNATIVES**

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

**AMENDMENTS**