

**Bill Analysis and Fiscal Impact Report  
Taxation and Revenue Department**

**January 31, 2026**

**Bill:**

SB-174

**Sponsor:**

Senator Candy Spence Ezzell

**Short Title:**

Gold & Silver Bullion Sale Gross Receipts

**Description:**

This bill allows a deduction from gross receipts tax (GRT) for the sale of gold and silver coins or bullion. The deduction is required to be reported separately and has a subset date of prior to July 1, 2031.

**Effective Date, Applicability, and Contingency Language:**

July 1, 2026

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**Estimated Revenue Impact\***

<b>FY26</b>	<b>FY27</b>	<b>FY28</b>	<b>FY29</b>	<b>FY30</b>	<b>Recurring or Non-Recurring</b>	<b>Fund(s) Affected</b>
--	(Unknown but negative)				R	General Fund
--	(Unknown but negative)				R	Local Governments

\* In thousands of dollars. Parentheses ( ) indicate a revenue loss. \*\* Recurring (R) or Non-Recurring (NR).

**Methodology for Estimated Revenue Impact:**

The Taxation and Revenue Department (Tax & Rev) was unable to obtain data to substantiate a fiscal impact for the proposed GRT deduction for selling gold or silver coins or bullion in New Mexico. Bullion are bars of precious metals. Some examples of precious metals include gold, silver, platinum, and palladium.

**Policy Issues:**

Tax & Rev presumes the bill intends to provide a GRT deduction on the receipts from the sale of gold and silver coins and bullion, which would not be taxable if they were considered legal tender. Tax & Rev notes that receipts from sales of gold and silver to jewelers may be deducted, subject to certain limitations and this new deduction overlaps with the limited existing GRT deduction.

While tax incentives can support specific industries or promote desired social and economic behaviors, the growing number of such incentives complicate the tax code. Introducing more tax incentives has two main consequences: (1) it creates special treatment and exceptions within the code, leading to increased tax expenditures and a narrower tax base, which negatively impacts the General Fund; and (2) it imposes a heavier compliance burden on both taxpayers and Tax & Rev. Increasing complexity and exceptions in the tax code is generally not in line with sound tax policy.

**Technical Issues:**

None.

**Other Issues:**

None.

**Administrative & Compliance Impact:**

Tax & Rev will update forms, instructions, and publications. Implementing this bill will have a low impact on Tax & Rev's Information Technology Division (ITD), approximately 220 hours or just over one month and \$15,226 of staff workload costs.

**Estimated Additional Operating Budget Impact\***

<b>FY26</b>	<b>FY27</b>	<b>FY28</b>	<b>3 Year Total Cost</b>	<b>Recurring or Non-Recurring</b>	<b>Fund(s) or Agency Affected</b>
\$15.2	--	--	\$15.2	NR	ITD - Staff workload

\* In thousands of dollars. Parentheses ( ) indicate a cost saving. \*\* Recurring (R) or Non-Recurring (NR).

**Related Bills:**

Similar to SB382, 2025 regular session.