

**NMDOT NO IMPACT STATEMENT  
2026 REGULAR SESSION**

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**SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION**

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Bill No. HB 276

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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Not applicable.

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

**SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

**BILL SUMMARY**

House Bill 276 (HB 276) makes an appropriation of \$3,300,000 from the General Fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University (NMSU) for fiscal years 2026 through 2028, with any unexpended balance reverting to the General Fund, for the New Mexico Department of Agriculture (NMDA) to promote the winemaking industry in New Mexico.

HB 276 instructs NMDA to work with NMDOT on the design, creation and installation of winery wayfinding, historical and cultural significance signage significant to NM's winemaking history and industry, to work with the Marketing Excellence Bureau of NMTD on national marketing and advertising of the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of winemaking in America, and to continue funding an enologist on staff to support education within the NM winemaking industry.

## **NO IMPACT STATEMENT**

At this time, the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) finds implementation of HB 276 would likely have a *de minimus* administrative impact and no fiscal impact on NMDOT. HB 276 requires the New Mexico Department of Agriculture to work with NMDOT to design, create and install signage which would be a *de minimus* administrative impact to NMDOT with the understanding that the appropriation provided is to be used to pay for any financial impacts in the design, creation and installation of signage.

Because HB 276 has been determined to have no fiscal, operational, administrative or other impact on the NMDOT, the following categories are not applicable:

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

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

### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

### **ALTERNATIVES**

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

### **AMENDMENTS**