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## FISCALIMPACTREPORT

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SHORT TITLE:	Investment of Public Money					
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## **REVENUE**

Estimated Revenue		Subsequent	Recurring	Fund	
FY00	FY01	Years Impact	or Non-Rec	Affected	
	NFI				

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Revenue Decreases)

Companion to House Bill 109 - County/Municipal Investment Expansion

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Legislative Finance Committee (LFC)

# SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of HAFC Amendment

The HAFC amendment strikes reference to "loan associations" in inserts in lieu thereof "banks".

Synopsis of Bill

This Joint Resolution would amend the New Mexico Constitution Article 8, Section 4 (TAXATION AND REVENUE, Misuse and Deposit of Public Money). The proposed amendment would make way for House Bill 109 which expands the instruments that county and municipal treasurers may use to invest public money.

The current constitutional requirement regarding investment of public money says that the public money not invested in "interest bearing securities" shall be deposited in national banks, incorporated state banks, trust companies, federal or state savings and loan associations, credit unions (all federally insured).

The proposed constitutional amendment would allow investment decisions and guidelines to be made at the statutory level rather than by Constitution.

The constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election or at any special election prior to that date which may be called for that purpose.

Significant Issues

This Joint Resolution is necessary for House Bill 109 (attached) to become valid.

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

While this Joint Resolution has no direct fiscal impact, it is necessary if public money is to be available for investing in higher yield securities that the current Constitution prohibits.

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Attachment - HB109