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# FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Cordova	DATE TYPED:	2/20/03	HB	711
SHORT TITLE: Write-In Candidate Provisions			SB		
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## **APPROPRIATION**

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY03	FY04	FY03	FY04		
	NFI				

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

## **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

Responses Received From Secretary of State Attorney General's Office

#### **SUMMARY**

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 711 amends NMSA 1978, § 1-12-53 to eliminate the option of a person voting on an emergency paper ballot for voting for a write-in candidate or any candidate whose name is not printed on the ballot. Additionally, the bill repeals § 1-8-36.1 that permits write-in candidates in primary elections; repeals § 1-12-19.1 that permits write-in candidates in general elections; and repeals § 1-12-47 that permits write-in candidates on emergency paper ballots.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

The Secretary of State anticipates a moderate positive impact on ballot reviews, layout, proof-reading, and canvassing of elections.

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