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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Campos **DATE TYPED** 02/15/05 **HB** HJM 4/aHGUAC

SHORT TITLE Regard Wishes on Long Walk Memorial Trail **SB** _____

ANALYST Weber

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
	NFI				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From
Department of Indian Affairs (DIA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of HGUAC Amendment

The House Government and Urban Affairs Committee made a spelling correction on page 2, line 25 that does not change the meaning of the original House joint Memorial 4.

Synopsis of of Original Bill

House Joint Memorial 4 (HJM 4), urges the U.S. Department of Interior and the National Park Service that any decisions regarding the establishment of the proposed Long Walk National Historic Trail must be in conformance with the wishes of the governments of the Navajo Nation and the Mescalero Apache Tribe.

Significant Issues

The Indian Affairs Department reports.

The U.S. Department of Interior and the National Park Service undertook a feasibility

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study regarding the designation of the Long Walk Trail as a national historic trail. United States Senator Jeff Bingaman (D-NM), with the support of the Navajo Nation, sponsored the authorizing bill to fund the Long Walk Trail feasibility study. After the study is completed, the next step would be to establish the Long Walk Trail as a national historic trail.

The original intent was to establish, "The Navajo Long Walk Trail." After discussions and being educated by representatives of the Mescalero Apache Tribe, however, the proposed trail was renamed to, "The Long Walk Trail," to commemorate and be inclusive of both Tribes affected.

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