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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/5/07

SPONSOR Lopez LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE February 12th, 2007 as "New Mexico Mesa Day" SB SJM 17

ANALYST Duarte

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	NFI		

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Memorial 17 requests that February 12, 2007, be proclaimed as "New Mexico Mesa Day," at the New Mexico State Legislature.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The New Mexico MESA, Inc. is a non-profit organization that was created as part of a national initiative to better prepare minority students, who have been historically underrepresented, for college. It began in 1982 at only 7 schools, but today it is present at 110 schools statewide. The MESA program provides middle and high school students tutoring and pre-college counseling and guidance. The program also provides students with the tools necessary for college majors in mathematics, engineering, and the sciences. In addition to helping students, it also provides support to teachers, parents, and the community.

Proclaiming February 12, 2007 as "MESA Day at the Legislature," would recognize the importance of the MESA program in New Mexico.