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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/18/2009

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SHORT TITLE Study Railroad Crossing Safety SM 27

ANALYST Moser

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY09	FY10		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT)  
Public Regulation Commission (PRC)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 27 requests that NMDOT convene a working group of persons representing all major railways operating in New Mexico, including Burlington Northern Santa Fe and Union Pacific, as well as the Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG) that plans for and operates the Rail Runner, and representatives of county governments that are along routes proposed for inclusion in a commuter train service from southern to northern New Mexico.

SM 27 stipulates that this group establish minimum standards for safe grade crossings throughout the State and report on problems with implementing such standards.

SM 27 also requires that the members of the working group and NMDOT staff report to an appropriate interim legislative committee prior to the second session of the forty-ninth legislature in January 2010.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

NMDOT indicates that there is no fiscal impact as it can complete this study within existing resources.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

The PRC believes that because of the PRC's regulatory authority over at-grade crossings, *see* § 63-7-1.1, NMSA 1978, that the PRC presence as a part of the working group would be beneficial.

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