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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

<u>Responses Received From</u> Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Memorial 41 requests that the Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) present the documented historical locations relating to space exploration in New Mexico to aid the Legislature as it considers establishing the New Mexico Space Trail.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

DCA reports that House Memorial 41 contains no fiscal impact to the department.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The New Mexico Museum of Space History in Alamogordo has already documented the historical locations referred to in this memorial using existing staff and funding over the past ten years. All documentation is currently on file at the museum's space archive.

DCA notes that this memorial lays the groundwork to develop a cultural, historical and educational foundation for New Mexico citizens, children and visitors to the state by identifying and enhancing the legacy of space explorers from the prehistoric natives of the Sacramento Mountains to the pioneers at White Sands Missile Range and Spaceport America. Not enacting this Memorial will critically delay the progress of this important project.