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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	Beffort	ORIGINAL DATE LAST UPDATED	02/06/10 <b>HB</b>					
SHORT TITL	E Study Off-Highwa	ay Vehicle Use	SJM	55				
			ANALYST	Woods				
<u>APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)</u> *								

Appropr	iation	Recurring	Fund Affected
FY10	FY11	or Non-Rec	
	NFI		

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

## **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

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## **SUMMARY**

## Synopsis of Bill

This legislation resolves that the Department of Game and Fish be requested to make a distribution from the trail safety fund to contract for a professional and scientifically sound study of off-highway motor vehicle use in New Mexico. The legislation further resolves:

- 1. that the study be a statistically valid survey of off-highway motor vehicle ownership and use; identification of communities best suited for off-highway motor vehicle tourism based on proximity to recreation opportunities, local infrastructure and local desire for economic development; and an assessment of potential economic benefits;
- 2. that the Department of Game and Fish prepare and distribute a request for proposal pursuant to the Procurement Code, including distribution to at least three academic entities, for bid; and
- 3. that the Department of Game and Fish request for proposal direct the study authors to include discussions of definitions and methodology enabling direct comparison to studies produced by other states;
- 4. that the comprehensive study be completed and delivered to the appropriate committee appointed by the New Mexico Legislative Council by December 15, 2010; and that a copy of this memorial be transmitted to the Director of the Department of Game and Fish.

There is no appropriation attached to this legislation.

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