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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 02/26/11

SPONSOR Garcia, M.P. LAST UPDATED _____ HB 307

SHORT TITLE Certain Legal Notice Published in Spanish SB _____

ANALYST Baca

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY11	FY12		
	None		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY11	FY12	FY13	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
Total		None				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 307 amends Section 4-11-13 NMSA 1978 to include El Semanario de Nuevo Mexico in the list of newspapers for publishing legal notices in Spanish as required by law for any agencies of the state.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The bill has no fiscal implications. Publishing legal notices in Spanish is an on-going activity.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

New Mexico newspapers currently on the list approved to publish legal notices in Spanish are the Santa Rosa News, the Santa Fe New Mexican and the Santa Fe News, El Hispano (Albuquerque), the Alpha News (Las Vegas), the Rio Grande Sun (Española), the Taos News

and Mas New Mexico (Santa Fe and Albuquerque). These newspapers are recognized as the official language newspapers of the New Mexico.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

El Semanario de Santa Fe will not be included in the list of New Mexico's Spanish language newspapers.

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