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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 01/27/12

SPONSOR Harden LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Corrections Department Intensive Supervision Fund SB 176

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ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY12	FY13	FY14	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		NFI	NFI	NFI	Recurring	Other State Funds

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to SB162

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

New Mexico Corrections Department (NMCD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 176 would expand the purpose of the corrections department intensive supervision fund, allowing New Mexico Corrections Department (NMCD) to use money placed in the fund for a wider of variety of NMCD prison and probation/parole-related purposes.

Under current law, the probation and parole supervision fees collected by NMCD and placed in the fund can only be used by NMCD to fund or pay for intensive supervision programs or essentially the supervision of offenders on intensive supervision. However, the majority of offenders placed on probation or parole are not placed on intensive supervision or into intensive supervision programs. By allowing the supervision fees collected and placed in the fund to now be used to help pay the costs associated with the supervision of the majority of the probationers and parolees, and to help pay for or fund the costs incident to the confinement of inmates including NMCD's notification duties under the Victims of Crime Act, NMCD will have the administrative discretion and flexibility to best utilize the fund's monies based on current need.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None to NMCD or the State. If anything, the administrative flexibility created by this bill will

enable NMCD to save or at least better utilize the fund's money as needed.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

By allowing the supervision fees collected and placed in the fund to be used to help pay the costs associated with the supervision of the majority of the probationers and parolees, and to help pay for or fund the costs incident to the confinement of inmates including NMCD's notification duties under the Victims of Crime Act, NMCD will have the administrative discretion and flexibility to best utilize the fund's monies based on current need. This bill would allow NMCD to operate more efficiently.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

Relates to SB 162

ALTERNATIVES

None. NMCD needs this administrative flexibility to better utilize the fund's monies as truly needed.

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