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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Torraco ORIGINAL DATE 2/16/15
 LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Display of Driver’s License Convictions SB 509

ANALYST Malone

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY15	FY16		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)

Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD)

Department of Public Safety (DPS)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 509 amends Sections 66-5-2 and 66-5-16 of the Motor Vehicle Code.

A driver in New Mexico must be licensed to operate a motor vehicle and must have the license in the licensee’s immediate possession at all times when operating a motor vehicle and shall display it upon demand of a magistrate, a peace officer or a field deputy or inspector of the division. The statutes also state that a person charged with violating the provisions of the statutes shall not be convicted of the violation if the person produces in court the person’s driver’s license that was valid at the time of arrest. The amendment to the statutes would not require the person produce the actual license, but evidence of the person’s driver’s license was valid at the time of the person’s citation.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal impact.

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