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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Sanchez ORIGINAL DATE 2/5/19
LAST UPDATED 2/20/19 HB _____
SHORT TITLE Restaurant Meal Purchase with Beer & Wine SB 301/aSCORC
ANALYST Hawker

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY19	FY20	FY21	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI

Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases

Relates to
SB210

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Regulation and Licensing Department (RLD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Amendment

Senate Bill 301 as amended by the Senate Corporation and Transportation Committee changes the definition of a “meal” to “food items prepared or cooked on the licensed premises and that are typically served as a main course or two or more small dishes served together to create a main course. ‘Meal’ does not include popcorn, peanuts, chips, crackers or other snack items.”

Synopsis of Original Bill

Senate Bill 301 amends Section 60-6A-4 NMSA 1978 requiring sales, service and consumption of beer and wine authorized by a restaurant license shall only be in conjunction with a meal purchase. “Meal” is defined as a lunch or dinner entrée. It does not include only an appetizer, snack or dessert.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

SB301 would have no fiscal impact.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

SB 301/aSCORC appears to be intended to allow for foods such as tapas to be included as a meal.

SB301 changes current law whereby a restaurant having a beer and wine license can serve beer and wine in advance of a meal, following a meal, or in the absence of a meal. SB301 requires an entrée to be purchased in order for beer and wine to be served.

RELATIONSHIP

SB 210 amends Section 60-6A-4 NMSA 1978, creating types A and B restaurant licenses.

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