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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS
2024 REGULAR SESSION**

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Check all that apply:
Original **Amendment**
Correction **Substitute**

Date 1/19/24
Bill No: HB163

Sponsor: Rep. Miguel Garcia
Short Title: RURAL HEALTH CARE TAX CREDIT ELIGIBILITY

Agency Name and Code HCA-630
Number: _____
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

| Appropriation | | Recurring or Nonrecurring | Fund Affected |
|---------------|------|---------------------------|---------------|
| FY24 | FY25 | | |
| 0 | 0 | | |
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(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

| Estimated Revenue | | | Recurring or Nonrecurring | Fund Affected |
|-------------------|------|------|---------------------------|---------------|
| FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | | |
| N/A | N/A | N/A | | |
| | | | | |

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

| | FY24 | FY25 | FY26 | 3 Year Total Cost | Recurring or Nonrecurring | Fund Affected |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | |

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis: House Bill 163 (HB163) is adding certain Pharmacists, Registered Nurses, Social Workers, Behavioral Health Counselors, Therapists and Physical Therapists to the Rural Health Care Practitioners Tax Credit. HB163 is also modifying the requirements for receiving the Rural Health Care Practitioners tax credit and increasing data collection and reporting requirements.

HB163 would add additional requirements for taxpayer reporting of the credit in a manner required by the Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) and would require TRD to compile an annual report with specific data points and a tax credit cost analysis.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None for HSD.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

None for HSD.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

Expanding this tax credit to additional practitioners may encourage more licensed providers to practice in rural areas of New Mexico. As a result, HB163 could help address health care workforce shortages, which would ultimately improve access to care for Medicaid-enrolled members and all New Mexicans. This tax credit may increase service utilization among Medicaid individuals as providers recruited and retained in parts of the state with limited access to care.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

Improving access to health care, especially in rural areas, is a key priority for HSD. HB163 aligns with HSD's efforts to support, increase, and expand the health care provider workforce in rural New Mexico.

No IT impact.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

N/A

TECHNICAL ISSUES

None for HSD.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

None for HSD

ALTERNATIVES

N/A

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

Status Quo

AMENDMENTS

N/A