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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** 2/3/2024  
**Bill No:** SB 256

**Sponsor:** Senator Hickey  
**Short Title:** Health Care Work Force Work Group Reports

**Agency Name and Code**    University of New Mexico-952  
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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25		
N/A	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: SB 256 proposes an amendment to subsection B of Section 24-14-C-6, NMSA 1978, with the aim of empowering the New Mexico Health Care Workforce Committee in compiling and completing its annual report, especially in situations where complete data sets for certain health care professions are or may be unavailable. In this connection, SB 256 would grant this committee the authority to incorporate, when building its annual report, data solely from the most recent complete dataset related to a specific health care profession, particularly in any year where incomplete data exists for that health care profession.

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

N/A

## **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

Due to a data breach caused by a ransomware attack in October 2022 at the Regulation and Licensing Department, the NM Health Care Workforce Committee does not have data for the following health professions:

- Primary Care Physicians
- OB-GYN Physicians
- General Surgeons
- Psychiatrists
- Physician Assistants
- Dentists
- Pharmacists
- Physical Therapists
- Occupational Therapists
- Emergency Medical Technicians
- Nurses
- Midwives

The NM Health Care Workforce Committee projects to have complete datasets for some professions in 2024, others in 2025, and the remaining ones in 2026.

## **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

There will be an incomplete report due to the delay in reporting on the aforementioned health professionals until complete datasets are available.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

## **CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

## **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

## **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

## **ALTERNATIVES**

## **WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

## **AMENDMENTS**