AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 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} **Date Prepared**: 3/10/2025 Check all that apply: Original Correction **Bill Number:** *HB73* Amendment Substitute X Marianna Anaya **Agency Name** Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson and Code Katy M. Duhigg Number: New Mexico Public Schools Nicole Chavez Insurance Authority 34200 **Sponsor:** E. Diane Torres-Velásquez **Person Writing Analysis:** Dominique Williams CHILDHOOD SEXUAL Short **Email** Dominique.williams@ ABUSE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS Title: psia.nm.gov **Phone:** 505-469-5541 :

SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring	Fund	
FY25	FY26	or Nonrecurring	Affected	

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring	Fund
FY25	FY26	FY27	or Nonrecurring	Affected

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

		FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
To	otal						No fiscal impact

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis:

This is a substitute bill from the House Appropriations and Finance Committee for House Bill 73 which eliminates the statute of limitations for legal actions seeking damages for childhood sexual abuse. This substitute bill focuses on extending the deadline for filing a lawsuit for childhood sexual abuse until the victim's 58th birthday, against private individuals but not against the state or public employees. This substitute prohibits such lawsuits against the state, political subdivisions, or public employees acting within their duties. It defines "childhood sexual abuse" according to existing criminal statutes. It also temporarily revives previously time-barred claims, giving victims a three-year window to file lawsuits after the bill's enactment.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

NMPSIA does not foresee any financial implications after the HAFC passed a committee substitute which removes any ambiguity over applicability of private individuals.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

ALTERNATIVES/PROPOSED AMENDMENT