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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

BILL NUMBER: House Joint Memorial 3

SHORT TITLE: Per-& Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Report

SPONSOR: Hochman-Vigil

LAST ORIGINAL
UPDATE: _____ **DATE:** 1/30/26 **ANALYST:** Davidson

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT* (dollars in thousands)

Agency/Program	FY26	FY27	FY28	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
NMED	Choose an item.	Up to \$25	No fiscal impact	Up to \$25	Nonrecurring	General Fund

Parentheses () indicate expenditure decreases.

*Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

Relates to House Bill 212 from the 2025 Legislative Session

Sources of Information

LFC Files

Agency or Agencies Providing Analysis
New Mexico Environment Department

SUMMARY

Synopsis of House Joint Memorial 3

House Joint Memorial 3 (HJM3) requests the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) convene a report on the implementation of the Per- and Poly-Fluoroalkyl Substances Protection Act and report it to the appropriate interim legislative committees on or before December 1, 2026 and then a final report to the governor and the legislature on or before August 1, 2027.

This bill does not contain an effective date and, as a result, would go into effect 90 days after the Legislature adjourns, which is May 20, 2026.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Memorials do not contain appropriations and are not enforceable as state law. The study requested in this memorial is within the normal operations of the agencies involved and is unlikely to result in significant costs. For dissemination of the report requested in the bill, NMED may need additional funding for contracting out the printing.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

NMED analysis provides context for the timeline of implementation of the PFAS Protection Act.

NMED notes the Environmental Improvement Board (EIB), on February 23rd, 2026, will be hearing NMED's petition for adoption of the agency's proposed rules to implement the PFAS Protection Act. Once heard, statutory rules dictate rules regarding implementation of the act should be in place by early summer of 2026 and then an additional deadline on January 1st, 2027 for the rules governing which products containing intentionally added PFAS can be sold, offered for sale, and/or distributed.

Considering these deadlines, the bulk of what will be reported to the appropriate legislative body will be documentation of the creation of the rules. Pertinent information, though as for their implementation, i.e. if the act has curbed the sale of consumer products with intentionally added PFAS, there may only a couple months of said data to report.

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