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### FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: N	Martinez	DATE TYPED:	02/22/01	HB	
SHORT TITLE:	Promote NM Apples			SB	394
			ANAL	YST:	Dotson

#### **APPROPRIATION**

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring	Fund
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02	or Non-Rec	Affected
		NFI			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates HB 591

#### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Agriculture

#### **SUMMARY**

#### Synopsis of Bill

SB 394 repeals the Apple Commission Act and transfers assets and obligations to the New Mexico Department of Agriculture.

Significant Issues

The Department of Agriculture is currently promoting New Mexico apples. The assets of the New Mexico Apple Commission would increase this promotion.

#### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

According to the Department of Agriculture, apple promotion will increase by 25%.

#### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The Department of Agriculture assumes all the obligations of the New Mexico Apple Commission. It is unknown if outstanding debts or legal liabilities exist.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

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According to the Department of Agriculture, NMDA staff have been working on apple promotions. Existing staff will continue work to promote, sell, and market New Mexico apples. The \$22,000 available will be spent directly on promotion of apples.

## **POSSIBLE QUESTIONS**

What kind of obligations does the Department of Agriculture assume?

Is the New Mexico Apple Commission going to get sued?

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