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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 02/13/13

SPONSOR Kane LAST UPDATED _____ HB 396

SHORT TITLE College Logo Mobility Limit License Plate SB _____

ANALYST Chavez

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY13	FY14	FY15	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		0.5			Recurring	Other State Funds

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to House Bill 155

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

This bill requires the Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) of the Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) to establish and issue special registration plates for people with significant mobility limitation that feature a collegiate logo of a state-supported higher educational institution in New Mexico, when such plates are requested by the institution. MVD shall issue these special registration plates when a qualifying person pays the fee required.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The TRD notes that each plate to which the wheelchair icon is added will require a certain amount of redesign. The actual cost of design and initial production of each new variation will be approximately \$500-600. In addition, MVD will need to revise application forms, procedure manuals and internet special plates pages to reflect the newly available options.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

House Bill 155 also relates to license plates for people with significant mobility limitation.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

The TRD comments that it does not make sense to add the mobility-impaired wheelchair icon for collegiate plates and not for other registration plates for people with significant mobility limitation.

ALTERNATIVES

The TRD suggests requiring TRD-MVD to make a mobility-impaired option with the wheelchair icon for any high-circulation special plate, as determined by the department or based on a set number issued or renewed per year or in total.

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