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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Steinborn ORIGINAL DATE 2/4/16
LAST UPDATED _____ HB 138

SHORT TITLE Voting for Some 17 Year-Olds SB _____

ANALYST Jorgensen

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY16	FY17	FY18	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		NFI				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Attorney General's Office (AGO)

Secretary of State (SOS)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 138 would allow individuals who are 17 years old, but will be 18 on or before the day of the general election may vote in the primary election immediately preceding the general election. HB 138 would also allow an individual who would be qualified to vote in a primary election to participate in alternate selection procedures. The bill has an emergency clause.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no fiscal impact associated with the enactment of HB 138.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The SOS states: New Mexico may allow 17 year olds to vote in a primary election without violating federal law because the primary election is a nomination process.

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