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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

**SPONSOR** Candelaria **ORIGINAL DATE** 1/19/16  
**LAST UPDATED** \_\_\_\_\_ **HB** \_\_\_\_\_

**SHORT TITLE** Land Grant-Merced Comprehensive Plan Approval **SB** 20

**ANALYST** Malone

### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	<b>FY16</b>	<b>FY17</b>	<b>FY18</b>	<b>3 Year Total Cost</b>	<b>Recurring or Nonrecurring</b>	<b>Fund Affected</b>
<b>Total</b>		NFI	NFI			

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 20, for the Land Grant Committee, reassigns the duty to approve comprehensive plans determining zoning of common lands of land grants-mercedes from DFA to the board of trustees of each land grant-merced. In taking such an action, a board of trustees must now consider the health, safety, and welfare of both the residents and the heirs of the land grant-merced.

This bill also removes language in existing law that requires DFA to arbitrate zoning conflicts between land grants-mercedes and neighboring counties and municipalities.

The effective date of SB 20 is July 1, 2016.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal impact on the state is anticipated.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

Since DFA no longer has the duty to arbitrate zoning conflicts between land grants-mercedes and neighboring counties and municipalities, the counties would be responsible for resolving any such disputes.

DFA notes that the Local Government Division does not currently have the staff or expertise to approve zoning of common lands as part of comprehensive plans or to act as arbitrator for zoning conflicts between land grants-mercedes and neighboring municipalities and counties.

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