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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Allison/Johnson ORIGINAL DATE 1/31/2020
LAST UPDATED _____ HB 305
SHORT TITLE San Juan County Homelessness Study SB _____
ANALYST Valenzuela

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY20	FY21		
	\$100.0	Nonrecurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to a House Bill 19, which provides \$372.0 to UNM to complete a statewide study of homelessness.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

The 2019 Annual Homeless Assessment Report to Congress

Responses Received From

UNM School of Architecture and Planning (UNM)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 305 appropriates \$100 thousand from the general fund to the San Juan College for the purpose of conducting a study of homelessness in San Juan County, New Mexico.

There is no effective date of this bill. It is assumed that the effective date is 90 days following adjournment of the Legislature.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation contained in this bill is a nonrecurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY21 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

A recently released report from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) showed that homelessness in New Mexico rose by 27 percent, the largest percentage increase in

homelessness in the nation. In New Mexico, this increase represents 690 more New Mexicans, who do not have housing. Homelessness families experienced even higher rates, rising by 29.1 percent, representing 175 people. More than half of all military veterans experiencing homelessness in New Mexico were unsheltered last year. Additionally, the report states that 52 percent of individuals experiencing homelessness have chronic patterns of homelessness; last year this number climbed by 469 individuals. The previous year the number of chronically unhoused individuals rose by 572 individuals.

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