

LFC Requester:

**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION**  
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**SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION**

*{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}*

**Date Prepared:** 1/22/2025 *Check all that apply:*  
**Bill Number:** HB 64 Original  Correction   
 Amendment  Substitute

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**Short Title:** Expanded Post-Secondary Tuition Eligibility **Person Writing Phone:** 505-454-3272 **Email:** VPFA@nmhu.edu

**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate expenditure decreases)

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate revenue decreases)

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

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>	No fiscal impact	Indeterminate	Indeterminate	Indeterminate	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:  
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

### **SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

#### **BILL SUMMARY**

Synopsis: aims to expand the state's nondiscrimination policy concerning eligibility for post-secondary tuition rates and state-funded financial aid. The bill mandates that any tuition rates or state-funded financial aid available to New Mexico residents must also be granted, regardless of immigration status, to individuals who meet any of the following criteria:

1. **Secondary Education in New Mexico:**

2. **Adult Education Courses:**

3. **Income Earned in New Mexico:**

#### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

NMHU is not able to determine the fiscal impact, of this bill, currently. One would assume that if eligibility is expanded, that enrollment would increase, but we are not able to estimate what this amount could be.

#### **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

The collection of student personal data may inhibit eligibility determination. Increased enrollment may create a fiscal and administrative burden, current resources may not be able to accommodate the extra cost or work required to support this bill.

#### **PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

#### **CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

#### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

#### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

#### **WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

#### **AMENDMENTS**