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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION

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AgencyAnalysis.nmlegis.gov and email to billanalysis@dfa.nm.gov*(Analysis must be uploaded as a PDF)***SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION***{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}*

Date Prepared: 2/5/25 *Check all that apply:*
Bill Number: HB117 Amended Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

Sponsor: Rep. Joanne Ferrary
 Death Certificate by Physician Assistant

Agency Name and Code HCA 630
Number: _____

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Short Title:

SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
\$0.0	\$0.0	NA	NA

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		
\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	NA	NA

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	NA	NA

(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: This bill would add Physician Assistants (PAs) to list of authorized providers to sign death certifies.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No Fiscal Implications to MAD.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

NA

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

Would expand scope of physician assistants. Hospitals and hospices may be more likely to hire physician assistants if they can utilize PAs for the purpose of signing death certificates. Potential positive impact on workforce in the state. This could serve an important function in rural parts of the state with few physicians.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

No administrative implications for MAD
No IT impact.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

NA

TECHNICAL ISSUES

No technical for MAD.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES Nothing to note.

ALTERNATIVES

NA

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

Status Quo

AMENDMENTS

~~NA~~ The updated information in the amended bill does not impact the analysis as previously written. Medicaid did confer with DHI and there was agreement there may be a possible increase in requests to state medical examiner to determine and certify cause of death would not impact OMI.