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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION

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SECTION I: GE	NERAL	INFORM	ATION
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Date Prepared: March 7, 2025 *Check all that apply:*

Bill Number: HM₂ Original X Correction Amendment Substitute

Agency Name

and Code Tourism 418 Representative Rebecca Dow,

Number: **Sponsor:** Representative Jonathan Henry

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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropr	iation	Recurring Fund		
FY25	FY26	or Nonrecurring	Affected	
NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring	Fund	
FY25	FY26	FY27	or Nonrecurring	Affected	
NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	

(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	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI	NFI

(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: House Memorial 2 requests the Economic Development Department, the Tourism Department, and the Taxation and Revenue Department to form a work group to study the economic impact, taxation, and regulatory framework of short-term rentals across New Mexico. The work group is to evaluate taxation policies, zoning, permitting, and regulatory frameworks, with a report due by December 1, 2025. HM 2 further requests that county assessors suspend reclassification of short-term rental properties until the study is completed.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Potential regulatory or statutory changes stemming from the study could impact short term rental availability, affecting tourist accommodations in particularly high-demand areas such as Santa Fe, Taos, and Albuquerque. The growth of short-term rentals may impact housing availability and affordability for local residents. Long-term tourism development strategies will need to consider the benefit of short-term rentals to both the tourism sector and local communities.

The proposed moratorium in HM 2 will require county assessors who have already started reclassifying short-term rentals as nonresidential to halt this process, which may raise questions about reversing any reclassifications already completed before the suspension. Counties that anticipated increased property tax revenue from short-term rental reclassification will face delays in collecting tax rates.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

The Tourism Department will have to gather and analyze data on the impact of short-term rentals, including visitor spending, tax revenue contributions, and their role in tourism development. Additionally, the Department must contribute to policy recommendations regarding short-term rental taxation, zoning, and regulation. By December 1, 2025, the work group will need to help compile and present findings to the appropriate interim legislative committees.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Tourism Department will have to gather and analyze data on the impact of short-term rentals, including visitor spending, tax revenue contributions, and their role in tourism development. This will require the allocation of staff, conducting research, and coordinating with the additional agencies in the work group in order to compile and present findings in the interim.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None.
TECHNICAL ISSUES
None.
OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES
None.
ALTERNATIVES
None.
WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL
Status Quo.
AMENDMENTS
None.