

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: 1/27/2025 *Check all that apply:*
Bill Number: SB 119 Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

Sponsor: Sens. Munoz and Hickey, Rep. Dixon **Agency Name and Code:** Economic Development Department
Short Title: Bioscience Development Act **Number:** 41900
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
	\$25,000	Nonrecurring	General Fund

(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
Total						

(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:

Senate Bill 119 appropriates \$25 million from the general fund to the bioscience development fund for the purpose of co-investment in New Mexico-based bioscience businesses. The legislation specifies requirements of bioscience businesses receiving co-investment funds and directs the New Mexico Bioscience Authority to assess bioscience businesses for investment decisions, which are to be made in partnership with a selected co-investing organization.

SB119 establishes requirements for businesses receiving co-investment funds, enabling co-investment into New Mexico bioscience businesses that maintain a minimum of five employees in the state with a minimum average annual salary of \$60,000, as well as bioscience businesses that relocate to New Mexico and agree to maintain operations in the state for a minimum of five years and maintain a minimum of five employees in the state with a minimum average annual salary of \$60,000.

Funds disbursed from the fund would require approval of the Secretary of the Economic Development Department and authorization by the Department of Finance and Administration.

The bill also amends the current statute to make the bioscience development fund non-reverting.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None to EDD.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The legislation directs the New Mexico Bioscience Authority to assess a bioscience business prior to making an investment decision based on certain factors, however there is no established requirement that the authority staff or board members have the relevant expertise, including experience in investment, business assessment, intellectual property evaluation, economic impact, etc.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

The Economic Development Department secretary or their designee is required to approve the disbursement of co-investment funds from the bioscience development fund.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

TECHNICAL ISSUES

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

ALTERNATIVES

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

AMENDMENTS