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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: 02/03/2025 *Check all that apply:*
Bill Number: SB225 Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

Sponsor: George Munoz **Agency Name and Code Number:** 770-NMCD
Short Title: Increase Various Penalties **Person Writing:** Anisa Griego-Quintana
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
0	0	N/A	N/A

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		
0	0	0	N/A	N/A

(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	N/A	Recurring	General

(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 225 would increase fines and penalties for littering, for committing graffiti, for the improper use of a travel lane, and for violations of the Recycling and Illegal Dumping Act, as follows:

- Littering carries a fine of \$250 (increased from \$50).
- Unauthorized graffiti on personal or real property that causes damage of \$1,000 or less requires 150 hours of community service (up from 100).
- Graffiti that causes property damage of more than \$1,000 requires 200 hours of community service (up from 160).
- Improper use of a travel lane carries a fine of \$500 (up from \$250).
- Violation of the Recycling and Illegal Dumping Act: a person who knowingly engages in, maintains or allows illegal dumping is guilty of a fourth degree felony, which carries a fine of up to \$10,000.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Increasing the penalties for these offenses could lead to a cleaner, safer, and more environmentally conscious community. By discouraging behaviors that harm the environment, disrupt public spaces, or create safety hazards, such measures would likely promote responsible behavior, improve quality of life, reduce long-term cleanup and damage costs, and reinforce the community's commitment to public well-being.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

None for the Corrections Department.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

None for the Corrections Department.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

None for the Corrections Department.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None for the Corrections Department.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

None for the Corrections Department.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

None for the Corrections Department.

ALTERNATIVES

None for the Corrections Department.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

Status quo.

AMENDMENTS

None proposed by the Corrections Department.