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**NMDOT NO IMPACT STATEMENT  
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}*

*Check all that apply:*

**Original**  **Amendment** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Correction** \_\_\_\_\_ **Substitute** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Prepared:** 2/10/2025

**Bill No.** SB 225

**Sponsor:** George K. Muñoz **Agency/ Code:** NMDOT - 805 -  
Traffic Safety Division

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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Not applicable.

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

**SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

**BILL SUMMARY**

Senate Bill 225 (SB 225) increases fines and penalties for littering, committing graffiti, improper use of a travel lane, and 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 (increased from 100 hours).

Graffiti that causes property damage of more than \$1,000 requires 200 hours of community service (increased from 160 hours).

Improper use of a travel lane carries a fine of \$500 (increased 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.

## **NO IMPACT STATEMENT**

SB 225 has no significant direct fiscal or administrative impact on the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) as the bill does not establish any additional responsibilities for NMDOT. However, as consequence of the bill, the NMDOT will need to update roadway signs that display littering fine values, although this task can be completed as a part of regular NMDOT business operations. An indirect impact on NMDOT might be realized if the increased fine for littering helps reduce littering and thus NMDOT's labor costs for litter control. In State Fiscal Year 2024, NMDOT utilized 142,860 labor hours on litter control, which cost the NMDOT more than \$8 million.

Because the bill has been determined to have no fiscal, operational, administrative or other impact on the NMDOT, the following categories are not applicable:

## **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

## **SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

## **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**