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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:	02/05/2025	Check all that apply:			
<b>Bill Number:</b>	SB246	Original	Х	Correction	
		Amendment		Substitute	

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## SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

## **APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring	Fund	
FY25	FY26	or Nonrecurring	Affected	

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

## **REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

	Estimated Revenue	Recurring	Fund	
FY25	FY26	FY27	or Nonrecurring	Affected

(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						No fiscal impact

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

#### **SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

#### **BILL SUMMARY**

#### Synopsis:

SB246 titled the "Seizure Safe Schools Act", aims to establish protocols for managing seizure disorders in schools across New Mexico.

This bill mandates the New Mexico Department of Education must develop and implement seizure safety training for school employees and bus drivers by December 31, 2025. Parents of students with seizure disorders must submit individualized plans, including medical orders and emergency protocols. Schools must have at least two trained employees or nurses available to administer seizure care, including medication and medical devices. A school employee, including a school nurse or bus driver, shall not be held civilly or professionally liable for any act or omission that is made with ordinary care and is consistent with the provisions of the Seizure Safe Schools Act. The bill ensures compliance with federal disability laws while making seizure care accessible in educational settings.

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

NMPSIA does not foresee any financial implications for the agency.

#### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

There is no provision for a school district without a full-time nurse or for a district that has no volunteers.

## PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

Are bus drivers included in the count as one of the seizure care personnel?

## **ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

#### CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

Senate Bill 246 is similar in nature to House Bill 300.

#### **TECHNICAL ISSUES**

#### **OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

#### ALTERNATIVES

## WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

## AMENDMENTS