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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: 10 FEB 2025 *Check all that apply:*
Bill Number: SB 318 Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

Sponsor: Joseph Cervantes **Agency Name and Code** 790 – Department of Public Safety
Short Title: FIREARMS IN UNFAIR PRACTICES ACT **Number:** _____
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

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

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

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

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to: **Similar to 2023 SB428**
 Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Includes in the Unfair Practices Act the manufacture or sale of a firearm or destructive device or firearm part or accessory contrary to the laws of New Mexico or the United States.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal impact to DPS.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

No significant issues to DPS.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

No performance implications to DPS.

The inclusion of firearms, destructive devices, and related accessories within the Unfair Practices Act would allow intervention in cases where these products are being manufactured, sold, or distributed irresponsibly or illegally. This could help ensure that those selling such items adhere to safety standards, regulations, and appropriate licensing. Moreover, regulating the sale and manufacture of firearms and accessories under this Act could help prevent these products from falling into the wrong hands (e.g., criminals, minors, or unlicensed individuals).

Many communities face challenges with gun violence, and manufacturers of firearms and accessories are often not held accountable for how their products are used or distributed. Proactive regulation, such as including firearms under the Unfair Practices Act pursuant to this bill, could prevent the misuse of products and reduce harm before it occurs.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

No administrative implications to DPS.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

No conflict, duplication, companionship or relationship to DPS.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

No technical issues to DPS.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

No other substantive issues to DPS.

ALTERNATIVES

Not applicable as no impact to DPS.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

Status quo will remain.

AMENDMENTS

None at this time.