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**LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION STUDY COMMITTEE**  
**BILL ANALYSIS**  
**57th Legislature, 1st Session, 2025**

<b>Bill Number</b>	<u>SB10/SECS</u>	<b>Sponsor</b>	<u>SEC</u>
<b>Tracking Number</b>	<u>.230145.2</u>	<b>Committee Referrals</b>	<u>SEC/SJC</u>
<b>Short Title</b>	<u>Anti-Hazing Act</u>		
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**BILL SUMMARY**

Synopsis of Bill

The Senate Education Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 10 (SB10/SECS) would create the Anti-Hazing Act. The bill provides federally-aligned definitions related to hazing and designates both the act of hazing and failure to report hazing as misdemeanors. These criminal penalties outlined in SB10/SECS would potentially impact individuals and organizations at public and private postsecondary schools in New Mexico. SB10/SECS would require public and private postsecondary educational institutions to prohibit hazing by holding participating individuals and student organizations accountable. The bill would require postsecondary institutions to establish an anti-hazing code of conduct policy aligned with hazing prevention education. Postsecondary educational institutions would be required to support a hazing prevention committee to promote and address hazing prevention. SB10/SECS would also require postsecondary educational institutions to maintain and publicly report actual findings of violations of the anti-hazing code of conduct, or any violation of state or federal law, including offenses related to alcohol, drugs, sexual assault, or physical assault on the institution's website. SB10/SECS also sets requirements related to hazing for social fraternities and sorority organizations.

This analysis focuses on SB10/SECS' impact on kindergarten through 12th grade (K-12) schools.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

SB10/SECS does not contain an appropriation.

**SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

The original version of the bill included a definition of hazing and established penalties for hazing extending to public and private K-12 schools. SB10/SECS no longer applies to K-12 schools.

**SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

- LESC Files
- Higher Education Department (HED)

- New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (NMIMT)
- University of New Mexico (UNM)
- New Mexico Independent Community Colleges (NMICC)
- New Mexico Department of Justice (NMDOJ)

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