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# FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

			LAST UPDATED	
SPONSOR	Garcia	a, M	ORIGINAL DATE	1/24/24
			BILL	House Memorial
<b>SHORT TIT</b>	LE	Transfer Las Trampas Escuelita Buildi	ng NUMBER	15
			ANALYST	Liu

### **ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT\***

(dollars in thousands)

Agency/Program	FY24	FY25	FY26	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
	No fiscal impact	No fiscal impact	No fiscal impact			

Parentheses () indicate expenditure decreases.

#### Sources of Information

LFC Files

Agency Analysis was Solicited but Not Received From

Public School Facilities Authority (PSFA)

Agency Declined to Respond

Public Education Department (PED)

Because of the short timeframe between the introduction of this bill and its first hearing, LFC has yet to receive analysis from state, education, or judicial agencies. This analysis could be updated if that analysis is received.

#### **SUMMARY**

#### Synopsis of House Memorial 15

House Memorial 15 requests the Penasco Independent School District (PISD) to transfer the escuelita building in Las Trampas to the Las Trampas Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association (MDWCA).

# FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The memorial does not contain an appropriation. Additional upkeep and maintenance costs of the escuelita ("little school") building in Las Trampas may be incurred by the facility owner.

<sup>\*</sup>Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

On September 15, 2021, the New Mexico Land Grant Council discussed recommendations to request a transfer of PISD's historic schoolhouse in Las Trampas to the land grant. The council voted in favor of sending a letter to PISD supporting a request by the Santa Barbara Land Grant to use the historic school in Las Trampas for Land Grant offices.

On April 13, 2023, the school board of PISD considered a motion to dispose of real properties, including the Las Trampas Escuelita. After discussing matters in executive session, the board did not recommend a motion for moving forward with the Las Trampas property but decided to revisit the issue at a later date.

In recent years, the escuelita building has been used as a community center for youth activities, social gatherings, polling location, and a meeting space for MDWCA, Las Tramps Acequia No. 1 Association, Trampas Land Grant, and Trampas Forst Council. MDWCA has a \$25, 25-year lease agreement with PISD to use the facility that expires in 2024.

# OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

Between the early 1900s and 1961, the escuelita building in Las Trampas was used as a school for children. In 1961, little schools in Las Trampas, Vadito, and several other nearby communities were consolidated into one campus in Penasco.

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