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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

		LAST UPDATED		
SPONSOR Lujan		ORIGINAL DATE	02/18/25	
	Mi Via Waiver PGM. Provider Gross	BILL		
SHORT TITLE	Receipts	NUMBER	House Bill 357	
		ANALYST	Graeser	

REVENUE* (dollars in thousands)

Туре	FY25	FY26	FY27	FY28	FY29	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
GRT		\$13,100.0	\$13,600.0	\$14,000.0	\$14,500.0	Recurring	General Fund
GRT		\$12,600.0	\$13,000.0	\$13,500.0	\$14,000.0	Recurring	Local Funds

Parentheses () indicate revenue decreases.

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT*

(dollars in thousands)

Agency/Program	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
System Changes	\$0.0	\$15.6	\$0.0	\$15.6	Nonrecurring	General Fund
System Changes	\$0.0	\$46.9	\$0.0	\$46.9	Nonrecurring	Federal Funds
DDSD Program Budget	\$0.0	\$7,267.8	\$7,524.8	\$14,792.6	Recurring	General Fund
DDSD Program Budget	\$0.0	\$18,386.2	\$19,027.1	\$37,460.2	Recurring	Federal Funds
Total		\$25,716.5	\$26,551.9	\$52,268.4	Recurring	

Parentheses () indicate expenditure decreases.

Sources of Information

LFC Files

Agency Analysis Received From Healthcare Authority (HCA)

Agency Analysis was Solicited but Not Received From Taxation & Revenue Department (TRD)

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Synopsis of House Bill 357

House Bill 357 (HB357) requires the Health Care Authority (HCA) to publish rules to exclude the gross receipts taxes from the Mi Via Waiver recipient's individual budgetary allotment and requires the providers to bill the GRT for their services as a separate line item.

This bill does not contain an effective date and, as a result, would go into effect 90 days after the Legislature adjourns, or June 20, 2025, if enacted. Because the provisions of this bill affect Gross receipts tax, a July 1, 2025, or January 1, 2026, effective date should be specified.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

HCA reports on the fiscal implications of the provisions of this bill.

Based on the FY 2026 budget request for the Mi Via program, to exclude the gross receipts tax from individual budgets in the Mi Via Waiver will add \$25.6 thousand in FY 2026 with a federal financial participation (FFP) of \$18.4 thousand and general fund (GF) need of \$7,267.8. With an assumption of 3.5 percent growth from FY 2026 to FY 2027, the additional cost for FY 2027 is \$26.6 thousand with an FFP of \$19 thousand and GF need of \$7,524.8. This program budget is maintained through the HCA Developmental Disabilities Supports Division (DDSD).

This bill does not include any appropriations to DDSD or MAD for the program budget increase or potential system changes that will be needed to implement the requirements of this bill.

HB 357 Fiscal Impact on FY 2026 Mi Via Budget Request (in thousands)

Description	FY 2026	FY 2027	Total
Mi Via Budget Request	359,299.3	371,874.8	731,174.1
Weighted Average GRT	7.14%	7.14%	
Fiscal Impact	25,654.0	26,551.9	52,205.8
Blended FMAP	71.67%	71.66%	
Federal Financial Participation	18,386.2	19,027.1	37,413.3
State Fund Need	7,267.8	7,524.8	14,792.6

The basic requirement of this bill is that providers will add the GRT to their bills, asking for reimbursement from HCA. The total reimbursement, including the GRT, will be paid by HCA. However, the increased amount to be rendered by HCA will be split 71.6 percent from federal medical assistance percentage and 28.4 percent from the general fund. full amount of the bill, less the GRT reimbursement, will be reported by the providers to TRD. TRD will calculate the portion of the reported GRT to be paid to local governments and the portion to be paid to the general fund (shown in the revenue table).

HCA reports small amounts for system modifications to implement the provisions of this bill at a cost of \$62.5 thousand.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

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The Mi Via Waiver Program is a New Mexico Medicaid program that helps people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) manage their own services. The program is designed to give participants more control over their supports and services within a set budget allotment.

A recent LFC program evaluation unit report, *Developmental Disabilities and Mi Via Waivers*, noted that the state is serving significantly more individuals through the Mi Via waiver program than in prior years and that, as a result, the state is facing a significant shortage of service providers. The report also noted that the average Mi Via waiver client exceeded their individual budgetary allotment by roughly \$1,300 in FY24, leading to an additional \$42 million in spending program-wide.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

The LFC tax policy of accountability is <u>not</u> met because this is not a tax expenditure program. The additional GRT remitted pursuant to the provisions of this bill will not be separately reported. TRD will not be able to extract information from tax returns on the effectiveness of the provisions of this bill in generating net additional revenue for the state and local governments. HCA will be able to extract this information but is not required in the bill to report annually to an interim legislative committee regarding the data compiled from the reports from taxpayers.

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