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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Rawson	DATE TYPED:	02/05/00	HB	
SHORT TITLE:	Remove WIPP from Hazardous Waste Act			SB	184
				ANALYST:	O'Connell

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY00	FY01	FY00	FY01		
		NFI	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC files

New Mexico Environment Department (NMED)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 184 would amend Section 74-4-3.1 NMSA 1978 to exempt the Waste Isolation Pilot Project (WIPP) or any other treatment, storage or disposal of mixed wastes certified by the US Environmental Protection Agency from the Hazardous Waste Act.

Significant Issues

Senate Bill 184 would preclude New Mexico from conducting regulatory oversight of WIPP or any other facility that generates, stores or disposes of wastes consisting of any mixture of hazardous wastes and radioactive materials.

Federal authorization by EPA requires New Mexico's Hazardous Waste Act to be at least as stringent as the requirements of the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Senate Bill 184 could potentially jeopardize federal authorization.

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