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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Wright DATE TYPED: 03/09/01 HB 52
 SHORT TITLE: Approval of State Park Land Transfers SB _____
 ANALYST: Rael

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
		See Narrative		Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Attorney General's Office (AG)
 Department of Game and Fish (DGF)
 State Land Office (SLO)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

The Approval of State Park Land Transfers bill amends Section 16-2-11 NMSA 1978 which establishes criteria for acquisition and development of land for state park or state recreational purposes by the director of the state parks division of the energy, minerals and natural resources department and provides for legislative approval of transfers or sale of state park land. Deletes provisions regarding ongoing projects that had received appropriation and were exempt under 16-2-11

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

See Administrative implications below.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

EMNRD reports that House Bill 52 would restrict the agency's ability to reconfigure park lands using existing lands and resources. Therefore, additional funds may be necessary to accomplish these goals.

The Department of Game and Fish reports a minimal administrative impact where it would be necessary to develop and implement procedures to ensure that all properties approved for transfer or sale, where Boater Access funds have been used for development and/or improvements, are appraised

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at fair market value. EMNRD would then reimburse this agency for the proper percentage of that value. It is not anticipated that passage of this bill would require additional FTE's for this agency.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

This bill would effectively repeal NMSA 1978 Sections 16-2-15 and 16 which provides for the secretary's power and the procedure for transfer of state park lands and recreational areas.

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