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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Wallace DATE TYPED: 1/25/01 HB 228
 SHORT TITLE: Radioactive Consultation Task Force SB _____
 ANALYST: Belmares

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
	NFI				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Environment
 Hazardous Materials Act (New Mexico Statutes Annotated)
 Public Regulation Commission
 Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 228 removes the Secretary of Taxation and Revenue from the Radioactive Waste Consultation Task Force and adds the State Fire Marshal or his designee as a non-voting member of the Radioactive Consultation Task Force.

Significant Issues

The duties of the Radioactive Waste Consultation Task Force are established by the Hazardous Materials Act [74-4A-6 NMSA]. These duties include the following:

- A) negotiate for the state with the federal government in all areas relating to siting, licensing and operating of new federal disposal facilities, including research, development and demonstration, for high-level radioactive wastes, transuranic radioactive wastes and low-level radioactive wastes,
- B) may recommend legislation to implement the state's policies with respect to new federal disposal facilities,

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C) identify impacts to new federal disposal facilities within the state and shall disseminate that information,

D) coordinate the investigations and studies undertaken by all state agencies and shall forward an executive summary of ongoing and recently completed investigations and studies, including information from federal or other studies, to the legislature and the governor as the studies are completed or information released, and

E) meet regularly with the Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Committee and keep the committee apprised of all actions taken by the task force.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

House Bill 228 does not include an appropriation and no fiscal implications have been identified.

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