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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Sanchez, M. DATE TYPED: 03/01/01 HB \_\_\_\_\_  
 SHORT TITLE: Rehab for License to Work at Racetracks SB 616  
 ANALYST: Gonzales

### APPROPRIATION

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

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

State Racing Commission

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 616 allows a person who is addicted to or uses narcotic drugs or who has been convicted of a violation of any federal or state narcotics law to be licensed on a New Mexico racetrack if sufficient evidence of rehabilitation is presented to the State Racing Commission.

#### Significant Issues

Current statute restricts the licensing of such individuals. According to the State Racing Commission, New Mexico is the only jurisdiction in the United States that does not have a means for rehabilitated narcotics users to apply for and receive a license to participate in New Mexico horse racing. Approximately 20 individuals on average per year are denied a license by the State Racing Commission because of narcotic convictions.

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