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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Hurt DATE TYPED: 02/27/01 HB _____
 SHORT TITLE: Create Trauma System Study Committee SB SJM35
 ANALYST: Esquibel

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
N/A					

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to HB614, SB302

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

NM Health Policy Commission (HPC)
 Human Services Department (HSD)
 Public Regulation Commission (PRC)

No Response
 Department of Health (DOH)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Memorial 35 resolves to create a statewide advisory committee to evaluate the current trauma system and identify financial and health professional needs facing New Mexico health care facilities, and to make recommendations for improving the system.

Significant Issues

The advisory committee would include representatives from the Department of Health, the Human Services Department, the New Mexico Health Policy Commission, the Insurance Division of the Public Regulations Commission, and the statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee. The committee is directed to:

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- Identify the number of physicians currently available and the number needed to fully staff an adequate trauma system.
- Determine the feasibility of expanding Medicaid eligibility to all trauma patients who have no other source of payment for services rendered.
- Make recommendations regarding the financial requirement of practicing trauma medicine, and providing adequate trauma staff.
- Recommend how to maintain an adequate statewide trauma system to assure that more New Mexicans get the services they need.

Copies of this memorial would be delivered to the Department of Health, the Human Services Division, the New Mexico Health Policy Commission, the Insurance Division of the Public Regulation Commission, and the Statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee.

RELATIONSHIP

SJM35 relates to HB614/SB302, Amend Emergency Medical Services Fund Act, to include the enhancement of statewide trauma services.

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