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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Fidel DATE TYPED: 03/05/01 HB _____
 SHORT TITLE: Executive Officers' Residency Requirement SB SJR 31
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APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02		
		**	**	Non-recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

** Please see Fiscal Implications section of this report.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC files
 Secretary of State
 Commissioner of Public Lands

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Resolution 31 proposes to amend Article 5, Section 1 of the Constitution of New Mexico to remove the requirements that officers of the executive department reside in Santa Fe. Such officers include:

- governor,
- secretary of state,
- state auditor,
- state treasurer,
- attorney general, and
- commission of public lands.

The lieutenant governor is the only executive officer excluded from this requirement.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

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If passed, this question would appear on the ballot in the November 2002 general election. The Secretary of State reports it costs \$30.0 to place an item on the ballot. Included in the cost is: (1) the publishing of constitutional amendments in English and Spanish for four consecutive weeks in one newspaper in each county of the state; (2) the oral translation and radio broadcast into the Native American languages of Tewa, Tiwa, Towa, Keres, Zuni, Mescalero Apache, Jicarilla Apache and Navajo; and (3) the printing of amendments booklets in English and Spanish (including Spanish language translation cost) and distribution to all county clerks (100,000 booklets were printed for 2000 general election). Therefore, there would be a nonrecurring cost to the general fund of \$30.0 in FY03. This legislation does not include the appropriation necessary to fund these costs

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

1. Since the governor is responsible for most of the executive state government functions administered by agencies that are, for the most part, centrally located in Sante Fe, should he/she reside at the seat of government to enhance managerial effectiveness, especially in emergency situations?

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