



**TECHNICAL ISSUES**

TRD notes the bill does not specify how the local jurisdiction's population is certified and on what basis and suggests the new language "Except as provided in Subsection D of this section", should be moved to the start of Subsection C.

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

County governments with population less than 3,000 in both the 1990 Census and the 1999 population estimate include: Catron, De Baca and Harding. Union County had a population of 4,124 in the 1990 Census and an estimated 3,903 in 1999. Approximately 65 municipalities were estimated to have populations under 3,000 as of July 1998.

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