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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	HGUAC	DATE TYPED:	02/09/02	HB	314/HGUACS
SHORT TITLE: Amateur Radio Antennas Regulations				SB	
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ANALYST: Sandoval

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY02	FY03	FY02	FY03		
	NFI				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to SB 425

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC files

<u>No Response</u> Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)

SUMMARY

House Bill 314/HGUACS establishes the New Mexico Legislature's opinion, in relation to municipalities and counties, on the accommodation of amateur radio service communications by allowing antenna structures within reason. This bill uses the term "should" and establishes no statutory requirements.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

An amateur radio antenna is defined as an antenna structure operated by a federally licensed amateur radio operator for amateur radio activities and does not mean citizens band or commercial antennas.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

- 1. How do amateur radio antennas affect counties and municipalities?
- 2. What is required to obtain a federal license to be an amateur radio operator?
- 3. What purpose do amateur radio antennas serve?