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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR: Herrera DATE TYPED: 02/07/02 HB HM27
 SHORT TITLE: Litter Control Programs SB _____
 ANALYST: Trujillo

APPROPRIATION

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

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to the Litter Control & Beautification Act which was passed in 1985.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From:

New Mexico Department of Tourism (DOT)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Memorial 27 requests the Interim Revenue Stabilization and Tax Policy Committee to consider the effectiveness of litter control programs and glass and other recycling efforts in the state and whether better coordination of these programs would result in more effective litter control and glass and other recycling efforts.

Significant Issues

DOT reports the New Mexico Clean & Beautiful program, which is funded by the Litter Control and Beautification Act currently exists within the agency. The purpose of the program is to contract with municipality, county and Indian governments in their efforts towards eliminating litter, beautifying, eradicating graffiti and weeds, and recycling. Government entities account for their projects and the people hired or involved with their efforts, and statistics relating to their projects. In addition, there exists a network of 17 communities who are affiliated with the National Keep America Beautiful program utilize the "Litter Index" which gives program's a tool to help a program determine the types of litter prevention and community improvement programs to implement. Within time programs can use this tool and evaluate the results and identify what works locally to change attitudes and behaviors regarding litter and related community improvement issues.

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