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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Martinez	DATE TYPED:	02/11/02	НВ	
SHORT TITLI	E: Cost of Transporting	State Inmates		SB	SJM99
ANALYST			YST:	Trujillo	

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY02	FY03	FY02	FY03		
			\$0.1	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation in The General Appropriation Act

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From: Corrections Department (CD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Memorial 99 requests that the Corrections Oversight Committee (COC) take testimony from the New Mexico Association of Counties and the CD regarding the high cost to counties of transporting "state inmates".

Significant Issues

CD reports the Memorial will result in a slight increase in costs to, and in the administrative burden upon, department as a result of the need to provide testimony to the COC.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no appropriation in this Memorial. CD reports the Memorial will result in a very minimal increase in costs to the department to provide testimony to the Committee.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CD reports the Memorial will result in a minor increase in the administrative burden upon a few department employees who will be required to provide testimony to the committee. The Memorial could result in a moderate decrease in the administrative burden upon prison transport personnel if the counties were funded for such transports.

RELATIONSHIP

Relates to HB 343, HB 354, HB 407, HB 337

TECHNICAL ISSUES

CD suggests funding the Local Government Division of DFA to reimburse counties for transportation costs as allowed under existing law Section 4-41-14 and 4-41-16.

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