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# FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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## **APPROPRIATION**

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Add	litional Impact	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY02	FY03	FY02	FY03		
			30.0	Nonrecurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates and Conflicts with Senate Joint Resolution 4

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC files Secretary of State

# SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Resolution 3 proposes to add a new section to Article 4 of the New Mexico Constitution to prohibit legislative interim committees, meeting during odd-numbered years, from considering any topic except those that constitutionally may be considered during regular sessions occurring in even-numbered years, unless the topic is included in a message of the governor to the specific committee.

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

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 for advertising and printing. 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

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the general fund of \$30.0 in FY03. This legislation does not include an appropriation needed to fund these costs.

# CONFLICT AND DUPLICATION

Senate Joint Resolution 4 amends Article 4, Section of the New Mexico Constitution. It also, prohibits legislative interim committees from considering any topic except those topics that constitutionally may be considered by the Legislature during the next regular session, unless the topic is included in a message of the governor to the specific committee. It also, changes the length of regular legislative sessions to 45 days every year, provides that fiscal bills cannot be considered in oddnumbered years unless there is a special message of the governor, and limits total expenditures of interim committees to \$400.0 annually, adjusted for inflation beginning calendar year 2002.

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