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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Nunez **DATE TYPED** 2/12/2004 **HB** 233

SHORT TITLE Trespassing on Agricultural Facilities **SB** _____

ANALYST Valenzuela

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY04	FY05	FY04	FY05		
			NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Health

Department of Environment

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 233 amends the antiterrorism act to prohibit trespass on agricultural facilities to contaminate, threaten or destroy the food supply or disrupt agricultural operations to cause public fear. Conviction on this charge is a fourth degree felony to be sentenced for a definite term of eighteen months or, in the discretion of the sentencing court, to a fine of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5,000), or both.

Significant Issues

HB233 supports the draft New Mexico 3-yr domestic preparedness strategy regarding agricultural response and health response. The strategy was prepared for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

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