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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Foley ORIGINAL DATE 2/13/2007  
LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB 789  
SHORT TITLE On-Campus Military Recruiting SB \_\_\_\_\_  
ANALYST McOlash

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$0.0		

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates SB 566.

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

Higher Education Department (HED)  
Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 789 adds a new section of Chapter 21 NMSA 1978 (State and Private Education Institutions) to require a public post-secondary educational institution to provide on-campus recruitment opportunities and facilities to a branch or service of the United State Military to the same degree that it provides such opportunities and facilities to members of the public.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

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**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

The Higher Education Department obtained information on state higher education institutions with the following results:

Both the University of New Mexico (UNM) Anderson School of Management and the New Mexico State University Placement and Career Services websites present their respective policies regarding on-campus recruiting for potential employers. Neither institution restricts the types of employers who may visit campuses, which includes representatives of the U.S. military.

A coordinator of employer relations at NMSU indicated that this institution has an open door policy for all valid private/non-private/government sector based employers on the premise that they have legitimate career opportunities available to students and alumni. Military recruiters currently visit NMSU between four and six times per year.

An administrator of marketing and public relations at Santa Fe Community College (SFCC) indicated that there were no restrictions on military recruiters on campus and that representatives of the uniformed services visited the campus weekly. At SFCC, military recruiters follow the same policies as vendors and other groups who present information to their students, staff, and the public.

An administrator of the New Mexico Association of Independent Community Colleges stated that while policies may vary from one public college to the next, no institution bars military recruiters from their campuses.

**WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

There will be no consequences if HB 789 is not enacted since New Mexico public colleges and universities have an open door policy for recruiters.

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