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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/28/07

SPONSOR Griego LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Dental Hygienists Day SM 20

ANALYST Guambaña

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

| Appropriation | | Recurring or Non-Rec | Fund Affected |
|---------------|------|-------------------------|------------------|
| FY07 | FY08 | | |
| | NFI | | |

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 20 requests the designation of February 9, 2007 as “Dental Hygienists Day” in New Mexico.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Senate Memorial 20 states that:

- Dental hygienists are licensed oral health care professionals dedicated to promoting oral health care for the citizens of New Mexico;
- Dental hygienists voluntarily give their time and effort to provide educational and preventive oral health care services to special needs groups, including the elderly, the disabled, the underprivileged and children;
- These services are essential in the dental office, public health facilities, nursing homes and schools to provide the best possible oral health care for all citizens; and
- Dental hygienists in New Mexico are recognized nationwide for their professional autonomy, self-regulation, collaborative practice model and initiatives in providing access to oral health care services.
- This memorial requests that a copy be transmitted to the New Mexico Board of Dental Health Care.

AG/mt