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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/17/08

SPONSOR Papen LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE “Behavioral Health Day” SJM 6

ANALYST Cox

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Joint Memorial states the following:

Many **consumers and family members** (hereafter referred to an ‘**individuals**’) must cope with disabling behavioral health illnesses.

- These individuals advocate to improve the continuum of behavioral health services statewide;
- These individuals advocate to ensure that behavioral health services are consumer- and family-driven.
- These individuals advocate increasing behavioral health education and training to individuals, families, providers and the general public.
- These individuals advocate promoting adequate funding to address the needs of the behavioral health
- These individuals advocate ensuring the availability of appropriate pharmaceuticals.
- These individuals advocate to ensure that behavioral health services are provided in a culturally competent manner

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- These individuals advocate using data and information in the decision-making process for the behavioral health continuum in New Mexico
- These individuals advocate to improve the behavioral health work force capacity in New Mexico by providing appropriate employment and housing opportunities to clients in New Mexico's behavioral health system.
- Behavioral health consumers, family members, advocates and providers strive to have individuals with behavioral health disorders lead personally meaningful lives, reaching personal goals with resiliency and hope.

This Joint Resolution requests that Monday, January 21, 2008, be proclaimed "Behavioral Health Day" at the legislature to honor the many individuals who devote themselves to public policymaking on behalf of the thousands of voiceless New Mexicans who suffer from behavioral health disorders.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

This Joint Memorial rewards and honors the individuals and organizations that work in the behavioral healthcare areas.

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