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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE	<u>"Cowboy Day"</u>	SM	<u>15</u>		
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 15 (SM 15) resolves by the Senate of the State of New Mexico that January 29, 2008 be declared as "Cowboy Day" at the Senate and to recognize July 26, 2008 as "New Mexico Day of the Cowboy." All New Mexicans are encouraged to recognize cowboys, both past and present, for their numerous contributions to the state and for keeping the best of New Mexico alive for generations to come.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

SM 15 states as follows:

- Cowboys and cowgirls are a fundamental part of New Mexico's reputation as a leading ranching state; and
- Representing a diversity that is uniquely American, cowboys come from all walks of life, transcending age, race, gender and generation, and their work ethic and code of conduct have long infused our great state and nation with pride and their values have set an example for many; and
- In the state's early years, cowboys worked throughout the "Land of Enchantment," blazing trails as explorers and guardians of a growing American frontier, and their legacy lives on today as men and women literally walk in the cowboys' footsteps, working and living upon the land; and
- New Mexicans have long been recognized as leaders in the cowboy and ranching world, with heroes and champions filling halls of fame across the country, including the cowboy hall of fame, the cowgirl hall of fame and the pro rodeo hall of fame; and
- The "National Day of the Cowboy" has been celebrated for the past three years, and again, this year, Americans in communities both far and near will join to celebrate the cowboys' day.

DUPLICATION

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WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The representatives, visitors, and citizens of the State of New Mexico will not be able to recognize January 29, 2008 as “Cowboy Day” nor “The New Mexico Day of the Cowboy” on July 26, 2008 at the New Mexico Legislature.

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