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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR	<u>Ulibarri</u>	ORIGINAL DATE	<u>1/28/08</u>	HB	<u></u>
		LAST UPDATED	<u>DECLARING JANUARY 31, 2008 As "DWI</u>		
SHORT TITLE	<u>AWARENESS DAY"</u>			SM	<u>27</u>
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SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 27 declares Thursday, January 31, 2008 AS "DWI AWARENESS DAY" in the New Mexico State Senate.

The Memorial provides the following statements about DWI Awareness:

- In 2006 one hundred ninety-one persons lost their lives as a result of alcohol-involved fatalities in New Mexico; and
- There are a minimum of three thousand alcohol involved crashes in New Mexico each year, and many of the
- In 2007 alcohol was involved in more than forty-one percent of all traffic fatalities in New Mexico; and
- Each year approximately twenty thousand people are arrested due to drunk driving in New Mexico; and
- The average blood alcohol level for persons arrested in New Mexico for DWI was .19, over twice the legal limit for blood alcohol level; and
- Public education about the dangers of DWI has been shown to be one effective tool in reducing the number of traffic accidents involving drunk drivers;

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