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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT)

New Mexico Municipal League (NMML)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 34 requests the NMDOT, NM Association of Counties, tribal and local governments and other jurisdictions to complete a study to develop options and recommendations to facilitate timely relocation of utility facilities located within public rights of way that would be of mutual benefit to public agencies and utilities in minimizing costs, disruption of services and project delays in highway construction activities.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

NMDOT indicates that a study of this type "...present an opportunity to address some of the issues by changing the approach to utility relocation by utilizing existing processes that may not always be embraced by highway or utility design and construction personnel and by adopting new processes that will facilitate both highway and utility requirements. Whatever approach is ultimately adopted, the focus of such process is to get all players State, County, City and others in the process early."

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