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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 01/30/14

SPONSOR Trujillo, CH **LAST UPDATED** _____ **HB** 84

SHORT TITLE Land Grant Comprehensive Plan Approval **SB** _____

ANALYST Daly

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY14	FY15	FY16	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		NFI	NFI			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Department of Finance and Administration (DFA)
Attorney General's Office (AGO)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 84, for the Land Grant Committee, removes two duties assigned by existing law to DFA relating to land grants: 1) approval of a comprehensive plan determining zoning of common lands of a land grant; and 2) arbitrating zoning conflicts between land grants and neighboring counties and municipalities.

The bill also requires the board of trustees to consider the health, safety and general welfare of heirs as well as residents of a land grant when zoning the common lands of the land grant.

The effective date of this legislation is July 1, 2014.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Responding agencies report no fiscal impact.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

DFA reports that this bill has been proposed because DFA's Local Government Division does not have staff to approve comprehensive plans of land grants, or to act as arbitrator regarding zoning conflicts between land grants and neighboring municipalities and counties.

If zoning conflicts between a land grant and neighboring local public bodies cannot be resolved, the courts would become the final arbiter.

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