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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Stewart ORIGINAL DATE 3/3/15  
LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB \_\_\_\_\_  
SHORT TITLE Probate Judge Minimum Qualifications SB 434  
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### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY15	FY16	FY17	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>	NFI	NFI	NFI			

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

No Responses Received as of 3/3/15 3:17pm

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 434 proposes to change the qualification for a probate judge. In a county in which the most recent federal decennial census is greater than 600,000 the individual is not eligible for election to office unless the person is a member in good standing of the New Mexico Bar, is licensed to practice law in New Mexico and has at least two years experience as a licensed attorney or holds office when the federal decennial census is published but there can be no break in service. The same qualifications apply to appointment to office in counties in which the last federal decennial census is greater than 600,000.

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