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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/8/17

SPONSOR Dodge LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HM 27

SHORT TITLE Resilience in NM Agriculture Task Force SB \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST Dulany

### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY17	FY18	FY19	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>		NFI				

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

New Mexico Department of Agriculture (NMDA)  
Office of the State Engineer (OSE)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

HM 27 expresses support by the New Mexico House of Representatives for the Resilience in New Mexico Agriculture Task Force in the development of a statewide strategic plan for agricultural resilience. The memorial expresses support and endorsement for the Resilience in New Mexico Task Force policies of encouraging agricultural infrastructure development, local food production, agricultural innovation, funding opportunities, and educational support for young and beginning farmers and ranchers. Finally, HM 27 requests the task force to develop a strategic statewide agriculture resiliency plan for future resiliency and job growth in the agricultural sector and that the plan include recommendations and funding priorities, with a progress report on the plan by October 1, 2017 to LFC and other appropriate committees.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal implications.

### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

According to its website, New Mexico First, along with New Mexico State University's (NMSU)

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Cooperative Extension Service, convened a series of regional meetings to identify industry trends, challenges, and solutions. The Meetings took place between December 2, 2015 and April 15, 2016.

NMDA indicates the impetus for development of the strategic plan was gathered from stakeholder input at the thirteen regional meetings facilitated by New Mexico First and NMSU. A need that could be addressed through the creation of a strategic plan, according to NMDA, is the high number of children living in food-insecure households in the state. NMDA notes challenges to New Mexico agriculture include scarce water resources, government regulations, ageing workforce, and the lack of value added processing facilities, among other things.

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