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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Stefanics ORIGINAL DATE 3/14/17
 LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE Patients Rights Work Group SM 104

ANALYST Dulany

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY17	FY18	FY19	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		>\$10.0		>\$10.0	Nonrecurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

No Responses Received

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Memorial

Senate Memorial 104 requests the director of the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center (UNM HSC) Institute for Ethics convene a patient rights work group to study the rights of health care patients and the manner in which health care facilities and practitioners in the state consider patients' rights in delivery of healthcare.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The memorial requests the work group include membership from the following agencies that are supported through general fund appropriations:

- Department of Health;
- UNM HSC;
- New Mexico State University;
- New Mexico Highlands University;
- Western New Mexico University; and
- San Juan College.

These agencies are likely to incur some costs in terms of staff time, travel, and supplies and expenses. Depending on whether the salaries of those attending the work group meetings are

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supported by general fund appropriations, as opposed to external grants and contracts, the expense to the general fund could be in excess of \$10 thousand in FY18.

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