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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Sanchez ORIGINAL DATE 1/30/19  
LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB \_\_\_\_\_

SHORT TITLE Air Medal License Plate SB 225

ANALYST Chabot

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

	FY19	FY20	FY21	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>		Minimal	Minimal			

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

Veterans' Services Department (VSD)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 225 amends Section 66-3-419 NMSA to include armed forces air medal recipient to receive a veteran-designation decal to be placed across the top of the Armed Forces Veteran vehicle license plate.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of the air medal decal should be minimal.

### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Being awarded an Air Medal is a significant accomplishment. It was created in 1942 and is awarded for single acts of heroism or meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight.

VSD states the number of New Mexicans who would be eligible to receive the Air Medal decal to affix to an armed forces plate is unknown but estimated to be small. The department would verify eligibility as is the current procedure for military plates and decals and submit the required forms to the Regulation and Licensing Department. VSD would use the DD Form 214 to verify eligibility.

**RELATIONSHIP**

Senate Bill 225 relates to HB245, HB274, HB306, HB358, HB381, SB104, SB180, SB 206, SB234, SB236, SB269, and SB273 all concerning specialty license plates.

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