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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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Thomson ORIGINAL DATE 2/11/2020 LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_ HB 340

SHORT TITLE Non-Perishable Food for Food Banks SB \_\_\_\_\_

ANALYST Esquibel

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY20	FY21		
	\$500.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Human Services Department (HSD)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 340 (HB340) would appropriate \$500 thousand in FY21 from the general fund to the Human Services Department (HSD) to provide emergency food banks statewide with non-perishable food items.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

HB340 would appropriate \$500 thousand from the general fund in FY21 to HSD for a recurring expense. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY21 would revert to the general fund.

The General Appropriation Act, as passed out of the House, allocates funding to HSD that are passed on to food banks for fresh fruits and vegetables and to supplement funding for homeless feeding sites.

## SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

HSD reports it does not have the mechanisms in place to purchase food outside of those funded by the United States Department of Agriculture. Through the General Appropriation Act (HB2), HSD passes through funding to New Mexico food banks so they can purchase fresh fruits and vegetables and supplemental funding for homeless feeding sites.

## TECHNICAL ISSUES

HSD suggests amending HB340 to allow HSD to provide funding to emergency food banks so these emergency food banks can directly purchase non-perishable food items.

Specifically, HSD suggests amending lines 10 through 13 as follows: “MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT ~~FOR PROVIDING TO~~ PROVIDE EMERGENCY FOOD BANKS STATEWIDE WITH FUNDING TO PURCHASE NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS; and amending lines 18 through 19 as follows: services department for expenditure in fiscal year 2021 ~~for providing to provide~~ provide emergency food banks statewide with funding to purchase non-perishable....”

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