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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Shendo, Jr LAST UPDATED \_\_\_\_\_  
ORIGINAL DATE 1/27/2023  
BILL \_\_\_\_\_  
SHORT TITLE Stop, Look & Listen For Trains NUMBER Senate Bill 135  
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### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT\* (dollars in thousands)

	FY23	FY24	FY25	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
	No fiscal impact	No fiscal impact	No fiscal impact			

Parentheses ( ) indicate expenditure decreases.

\*Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

### Sources of Information

LFC Files

#### Responses Received From

Department of Public Safety (DPS)

New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT)

## SUMMARY

### Synopsis of Senate Bill 135

Senate Bill 135 amends and updates Chapter 66, Article 1 NMSA 1978 and Chapter 66, Article 7 NMSA 1978 (Motor Vehicle Code) to require drivers to stop and look for other “on track equipment” besides trains at railroad grade crossings. “On track equipment” is defined as “any car, rolling stock or other device that alone or coupled to another device is operated on stationary rails.”

This bill does not contain an effective date and, as a result, would go into effect June 16, 2023, (90 days after the Legislature adjourns) if signed into law.

## FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No fiscal impact.

## SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Requires drivers to stop and look for other equipment transported via railway at rail crossings.

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