

**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS
2025 REGULAR SESSION**

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Check all that apply:

Original **Amendment**
Correction **Substitute**

Date Prepared: 2025-01-23
Bill No: SB18

Sponsor(s) Craig W. Brandt
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Agency Name CYFD 69000
and Code
Number:
Person Writing
Analysis:
Phone:
Email:

Short CRIME OF SWATTING
Title:

SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25		

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25	FY26		

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATION BUDGET (dollars in thousands)

	FY24	FY25	FY26	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total						

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:

Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act:

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

SB18 amends Section 30-20-16 NMSA by creating the crime of swatting, which is defined in the statute as:

"Swatting consists of knowingly making a false or misleading report to a public safety agency of ongoing emergency or threat of violence with the intent to cause an immediate response from a public safety agency."

SB18 also sets the penalty for swatting as a fourth degree felony and raises the penalty for "making a shooting threat" to a fourth degree felony from its prior designation of being a misdemeanor.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

No Fiscal Impact for CYFD.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

None.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

None at this time.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None at this time.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

None at this time.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

SB18 section 1-30-16, bomb scares and shooting threats, adds swatting as a fourth degree felony. Therefore, offenders of all ages would be subject to this law.

ALTERNATIVES

None.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

None.

AMENDMENTS

None at this time.