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Fund Affected

Nonrecurring

AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION {Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill} **Date Prepared**: 1/30/2025 *Check all that apply:* **Bill Number:** SB148 Original X Correction Amendment Substitute **Agency Name** New Mexico Public Schools and Code Insurance Authority 34200 Number: **Sponsor:** Antonio Maestas **Person Writing** Dominique Williams Short **Email** Dominique.williams@ ANTI-HAZING ACT Title: **Phone:** 505-469-5541 : psia.nm.gov **SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands) Appropriation** Recurring Fund or Nonrecurring Affected **FY25 FY26** (Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases) **REVENUE** (dollars in thousands) Recurring

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

FY25

Estimated Revenue

FY26

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

FY27

| | FY25 | FY26 | FY27 | 3 Year Total Cost | Recurring or Nonrecurring | Fund Affected |
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| Total | | | | | | No fiscal impact |

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to: Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis:

SB148 titled the "Anti-Hazing Act" aims to prevent hazing, ensure accountability, protect students, and promote awareness by criminalizing hazing, establishing penalties, and implementing preventative measures in educational institutions.

<u>Definitions of Hazing:</u>

Hazing includes intentional, knowing, or reckless acts causing physical or psychological harm. It applies to students involved in initiations, affiliations, or maintaining membership in student organizations. Examples include physical abuse, forced substance consumption, sexual acts, and unlawful activities.

Criminal Penalties:

Hazing is a misdemeanor unless it results in significant harm or death. Fourth-degree felony for hazing causing physical or great psychological harm. Third-degree felony if it results in great physical harm. Second-degree felony if it results in death.

Failure to Report Hazing:

School officials (administrators, faculty, coaches, etc.) must report hazing incidents. Failure to report is a misdemeanor.

Civil Liabilities:

Victims can sue for damages (physical, mental, or emotional suffering). Student organizations and schools may also be held liable if they fail to prevent hazing.

Educational Institution Requirements:

Colleges and universities must include anti-hazing policies in their student codes of conduct. Schools must provide hazing prevention education at orientation, and annually. Institutions must establish a Hazing Prevention Committee with student and faculty members.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

This amendment does not have any financial implications for NMPSIA.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

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OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

ALTERNATIVES

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

AMENDMENTS