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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**: February 3, 2025 *Check all that apply:* **Bill Number:** SB220 Original X Correction Amendment Substitute **Agency Name** Office of Broadband Access and and Code Expansion - 36100 Number: **Sponsor:** Pat Woods and Gabriel Ramos Legal Settlement Agreement **Person Writing** Cass Brulotte **Publication** Short Email cassandra.brulotte@co Title: **Phone:** 505-699-5260 : nnect.nm.gov **SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropr	iation	Recurring	Fund	
FY25	FY26	or Nonrecurring	Affected	
\$0	\$0			

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring	Fund
FY25	FY26	FY27	or Nonrecurring	Affected
\$0	\$0			

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total	Unknown	Unknown	unknown			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis: This bill creates two new sections to the Sunshine Portal Transparency Act.

- 1) Mandating that the terms of any legal settlements entered into without the assistance of RMD be published on the Sunshine Portal within 30 days; and
- 2) Creating Loss Prevention Review Teams at the RMD which will:
 - a. Be appointed within 20 days of a death, serious injury, or loss greater than \$250,000 that is suspected to be caused at least in part by the agency's actions;
 - b. Be led by an attorney and other persons who were nor directly involved in the incident;
 - c. Report to the RMD director and head of the agency involved as to the circumstances surrounding the incident, the causes, and how to reduce future risk.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

This is an unfunded mandate that may have significant cost to the Risk Management Division, particularly if the Loss Preventing Review Teams are staffed by independent consultants and outside contractors.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

Cybersecurity incidents are on the rise, and increasingly costly for state agencies. When such an incident occurs, the impacted agency must, on an emergency basis, engage expert contractors and consultants to investigate and remediate the incident. Depending on the nature of the incident, such remediation may include reporting requirements to multiple state and federal entities.

This bill would trigger the creation of a Loss Prevention Review Team for any cybersecurity incident impacting a state agency, as cybersecurity incidents would qualify as a "substantial loss." This would lead to RMD procuring a secondary team of expert contractors and consultants to conduct an investigation, create a report, and make recommendations – all in parallel to those made by the contractors hired by the impacted agency.

At best, the State will expend significant funds to duplicate investigations and reports. In a more complex cybersecurity incident, there may not be sufficient experts available to create independent teams, thus precluding RMD from meeting the statutory obligations.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

This is an unfunded mandate that will require RMD to retain additional staff or contractors.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

This is an unfunded mandate that will require RMD to retain additional staff or contractors.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

It is unclear if the Loss Preventing Review Team's final report, and agency response, would be exempt from disclosure under IPRA.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

None.

ALTERNATIVES

N/A.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

AMENDMENTS