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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:** 2/6/2025 *Check all that apply:*  
**Bill Number:** SB 290 Original  Correction   
 Amendment  Substitute

**Sponsor:** Linda M. Trujillo **Agency Name and Code:** 992 – New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority  
**Short Title:** Raise Marriage License Fees **Number:** (Housing New Mexico | MFA)  
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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
NA	NA	NA	NA

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate expenditure decreases)

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		
NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

(Parenthesis ( ) indicate revenue decreases)

**ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)**

	<b>FY25</b>	<b>FY26</b>	<b>FY27</b>	<b>3 Year Total Cost</b>	<b>Recurring or Nonrecurring</b>	<b>Fund Affected</b>
<b>Total</b>	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to: None  
 Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

**SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

**BILL SUMMARY**

**Senate Bill 290** proposes increasing the fee from twenty-five dollars to fifty dollars for issuing, acknowledging, and recording a marriage license and marriage certificate in New Mexico.

Senate Bill 290 states that the fifty-dollar fee will be deposited into the county clerk recording and filing fund. The fees collected will be remitted within the fifteen days of the last day of each month to each entity as follows:

- Fifteen dollars of each fee will be remitted to the county general fund.
- Fifteen dollars of each fee will be remitted to the state treasurer for credit to the children’s trust fund
- Twenty dollars of each fee will be retained by the county clerk.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

No fiscal impact to Housing New Mexico | MFA.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

1. The increase in fees for marriage licenses will increase revenue for county clerks as they will now retain twenty dollars rather than ten dollars.
2. The increase in fees will allow for more administrative capacity of the county as fifteen dollars will be remitted to the county general funds.
3. The increase in fees may reduce the number of applications for marriage within counties due to the increased costs.

**PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

**ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

**CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

**TECHNICAL ISSUES**

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

**ALTERNATIVES**

**WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

**AMENDMENTS**