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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION

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AgencyAnalysis.nmlegis.gov and email to billanalysis@dfa.nm.gov*(Analysis must be uploaded as a PDF)***SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION***{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}*

Date Prepared: 2/19/25 Check all that apply:
Bill Number: SB 435 Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

Sponsor:	Sen. Pinto	Agency Name and Code Number:	NM DoIT - 361		
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		

(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		25			Non	

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

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

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis: Senate Bill 435 (SB 435) would appropriate one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the general fund to the state Department of Justice for expenditure in fiscal year 2026 to facilitate the creation of a public relations campaign to apprise New Mexico residents of their rights if they are in danger of deportation or harassment by federal immigration officers. The campaign would include the creation of an identification system for members of Indian nations, tribes and pueblos to provide verification of tribal membership, as well as a telephone hotline for verification of citizenship status. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of fiscal year 2026 would revert to the general fund.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Note: major assumptions underlying fiscal impact should be documented.

Note: if additional operating budget impact is estimated, assumptions and calculations should be reported in this section.

If DoIT establishes and supports the required hotline, it will incur approximately \$25,000 in direct costs for required licenses and pro-rated labor expenses. This assumes that the NMDOJ will provide hardware and staffing required for the hotline.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

As the state's telecommunications provider, DoIT has established and maintains call centers for various agencies. DoIT charges agency clients for the actual costs of the operation, including licenses, and recovers overhead through its standard administrative fee. DoIT estimates that it would charge the NMDOJ \$120,000 to operate the hotline contemplated by this legislation. That would include a tollfree number and licenses for the hotline operators on the Zoom platform. The Zoom licenses would include Zoom call management, logging, recording, captioning and routing capabilities. DoIT would require two weeks lead time to establish the hotline and onboard NMDOJ team members.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

TECHNICAL ISSUES

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

ALTERNATIVES

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

Tribal members who are lawfully present in New Mexico would not have access to a system that would enable verification of lawful residency and, consequently, could be subject to unlawful detention or deportation.

AMENDMENTS