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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS
2017 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}

Check all that apply:

Original **Amendment** _____ **Date** 2/15/2017
Correction _____ **Substitute** _____ **Bill No:** SB9

Sponsor: Sen. Howie C. Morales **Agency Code:** 924
 Rep. Tomás E. Salazar
Short Title: RURAL HEALTH CARE ACT **Person Writing** Matt Pahl
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY17	FY18		
	See fiscal analysis below	Recurring	

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY17	FY18	FY19		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY17	FY18	FY19	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total						

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SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis: Senate Bill 9 (SB9) proposes to amend Section 1 of the Rural Primary Health Care Act, Section 24-1A-2, requiring the health department to develop evidence-based training and training modules, recruiting and retaining healthcare personnel and financially assisting eligible clinical programs in underserved areas of the state through selected eligible clinical programs.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

SB9 requires the department of health to develop evidence-based models for training and recruiting and to develop rules for training, recruiting and training healthcare personnel in underserved areas. It does not indicate a funding source in order to meet these requirements.

SB9 does not indicate the funding source for distribution of the required financial assistance to eligible healthcare programs in underserved areas.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The health department would require less staffing and financial burden in meeting the requirements in SB9 with language allowing or requiring collaboration with existing programs. Secondary and post-secondary education institutions in New Mexico currently provide evidence-based healthcare training and recruiting and prepare students for credential attainment and license acquisition.

Collaboration between the health department and secondary and post-secondary certificate and degree granting healthcare educational programs would utilize already established programs and would prevent unnecessary duplication for training and recruiting healthcare personnel in underserved populations.

Instead of the health department developing evidence-based models for training and recruiting and rules for training, recruiting and training healthcare personnel in underserved areas, the health department could establish guidelines and provide funding for secondary and post-secondary educational institutions with certificate or degree based healthcare programs. Guidelines would ensure funding is available to institutions focusing on providing healthcare training, recruiting and certification in underserved areas.

SB9 adds the wording in Section 2.C., page 3. Lines 2-9. “eligible workforce development programs means public or private nonprofit organizations with a minimum of five years of experience...” Workforce development programs from certificate or degree granting entities instead of organizations with five years of experience would ensure consistency as existing certificate and degree granting entities are required to meet established standards for certificate and degree programs.

SB9 adds the wording in Section 2.D., page 3. Lines 10-14. “eligible workforce recruitment programs means public or private nonprofit organizations with a minimum of five years of experience...” Workforce recruitment programs from certificate or degree granting entities instead of organizations with five years of experience would ensure consistency as existing certificate and degree granting entities are required to meet established standards for certificate and degree programs.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

SB9 requires additional work for the health department. Developing evidence-based training and training modules, recruiting and retaining healthcare personnel, and assisting eligible clinical programs in underserved areas of the state through selected eligible clinical programs all will require staff support.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

SB9 may require additional staffing in order to meet the requirements of developing evidence-based models for training and recruiting and rules for training, recruiting and training healthcare personnel in underserved areas.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None noted.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

None noted.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

None noted.

ALTERNATIVES

None noted.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

None noted.

AMENDMENTS

None as of 1/23/2017.