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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS
2008 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
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Date 1/16/08
Bill No: SB049-199

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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09		
	\$250.0	Non-Rec	General

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:

Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act:

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY08	FY09	FY10		
-0-	-0-	-0-	N/A	N/A

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates, Relates to, Conflicts with, Companion to:

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY08	FY09	FY10	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
Total	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	N/A	N/A

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

Synopsis: Appropriates \$250,000 to the New Mexico department of agriculture (NMDA) to support the New Mexico farmers' market nutrition program.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

None

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

1. This program provides food coupons to low-income and senior citizens to shop at local farmers' markets.
2. The farmers' market nutrition enhancement program currently received \$110,000 in recurring state appropriated funds.
3. The current redemption rate for coupons at local farmers' markets is up to 80% demonstrating a need by consumers and a benefit to local growers.
4. Forty-eight percent (48%) of program participants never been to a farmers' market. This program allows new consumers to purchase locally grown nutritious fruits and vegetables.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

None

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

NMDA currently administers the \$110,000 recurring funding for the farmers' market nutrition program. The additional funding does not impact base funding for NMDA

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None

TECHNICAL ISSUES

None

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

None

ALTERNATIVES

None

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

The consequences of not enacting SB49 are that some low income and senior citizens would not receive coupons to shop at the farmers' markets and this could be a potential loss of sales for small farmers at local farmers' markets.

AMENDMENTS

None