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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS  
2015 REGULAR SESSION**

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**SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION**

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**Original**     **Amendment**    \_\_\_\_\_  
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                     Rep. Brian Egolf

**Date**    February 9, 2015  
**Bill No:**    HB 324-305

**Sponsor:**    Sen. Daniel Ivey-Soto    **Agency Code:**    Attorney General's Office  
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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY15	FY16		

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY15	FY16	FY17		

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

	<b>FY15</b>	<b>FY16</b>	<b>FY17</b>	<b>3 Year Total Cost</b>	<b>Recurring or Nonrecurring</b>	<b>Fund Affected</b>
<b>Total</b>						

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

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

**SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

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**BILL SUMMARY**

Synopsis: The purpose of House Bill 324 appears to be to tighten the requirements for filing a duplicate written document when the “original instrument of writing” is not available. It amends Section 14-8-4, governing the filing and recording of written documents, to require the person filing the duplicate document to file an accompanying document that provides the person’s name, phone number and mailing address, as well as the reason the copy is being filed in place of the original. The accompanying document must also include an acknowledged statement that the copy is a true and correct copy of the original instrument. The accompanying documents are to be filed and recorded as attachments to the original document at no extra charge.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS** There appear to be no fiscal implications to this office.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES** None.

**PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS** There appear to be no performance implications to this office.

**ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS** There appear to be no administrative implications to this office.

**CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP** None at this time.

**TECHNICAL ISSUES** None.

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES** None.

**ALTERNATIVES** None.

**WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL** Status quo. In accordance with NMSA 1978, Section 14-8-4, duly-acknowledged duplicate documents currently may be accepted for filing and recording to the same extent as original documents.

**AMENDMENTS** None.