

1 SENATE BILL 316

2 57TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2025

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS; REQUIRING URANIUM WASTE
12 DISPOSAL IN FEDERALLY MANAGED UNDERGROUND FACILITIES; LIMITING
13 THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR URANIUM WASTE DISPOSAL TO FEDERALLY
14 MANAGED UNDERGROUND HAZARDOUS WASTE DEPOSITORIES.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] DISPOSITION OF URANIUM WASTE--
18 PERMITTING OF URANIUM WASTE DISPOSAL.--

19 A. Uranium tailings and uranium waste from the
20 mining, milling or processing of uranium ore in New Mexico
21 shall only be disposed of in federally managed underground
22 depositories designed for the containment of hazardous waste.

23 B. No state agency shall issue a permit for the
24 disposal of uranium tailings or uranium waste in a facility
25 other than a federally managed underground depository designed

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