

HOUSE CONSUMER AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL 328

56TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2023

AN ACT

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF CHAPTER
67 NMSA 1978; REQUIRING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A VISION ZERO PLAN;
REQUIRING REPORTS; CREATING THE POSITION OF VISION ZERO
COORDINATOR; PROVIDING DUTIES; PROVIDING A DEFINITION.

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

SECTION 1. A new section Chapter 67 NMSA 1978 is enacted
to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] VISION ZERO--PLAN--REPORTS--COORDINATOR--
DUTIES.--

A. The secretary shall develop a vision zero plan
for state-owned and -maintained roadways in New Mexico that
will aim to achieve an annual traffic safety record with zero
vehicle-related deaths or serious injuries by the end of
calendar year 2030. The vision zero plan shall include:

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1 (1) recommendations for amendments to the
2 Motor Vehicle Code or other laws in order to achieve the vision
3 zero goals; and

4 (2) an evaluation framework that measures the
5 effectiveness of vision zero efforts, including transportation
6 projects intended to reduce traffic fatalities and serious
7 injuries.

8 B. On or before October 31, 2023, the secretary
9 shall report the status of the vision zero plan to the
10 appropriate interim legislative committee concerning
11 transportation, the legislative finance committee and the
12 governor, and on or before October 31 in each subsequent year
13 through 2030, the secretary shall present updates on the status
14 of the vision zero plan to those legislative committees and the
15 governor. The secretary shall publish the vision zero plan and
16 updates to the plan on the department's website by December 1
17 each year.

18 C. The position of "vision zero coordinator" is
19 created within the department.

20 D. The vision zero coordinator shall:

21 (1) coordinate the department's implementation
22 of the vision zero plan;

23 (2) provide planning and technical assistance
24 to county, municipal and tribal governments to develop local
25 vision zero or similar traffic safety plans; and

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1 (3) coordinate state vision zero plan
2 implementation actions with any county, municipal or tribal
3 vision zero plan actions.

4 E. As used in this section, "vision zero" means a
5 program for planning and developing a roadway system that has
6 no vehicle-related deaths or serious injuries."

7 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
8 provisions of this act is July 1, 2023.

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