

SENATE BILL 437

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AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION; DECLARING THAT THE PUBLIC POLICY OF THE STATE IS THAT CORPORAL PUNISHMENT SHALL NOT BE USED IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE AND PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION; PROVIDING THAT THE STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE SHALL NOT OFFER OR GRANT ANY BENEFIT TO OR EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH A PERSON WHO PROVIDES EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE OR PRIMARY OR SECONDARY EDUCATION UNLESS THE PERSON PROHIBITS THE USE OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT ON THE PERSON'S

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PREMISES.

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

SECTION 1. [NEW MATERIAL] CORPORAL PUNISHMENT PROHIBITED IN EARLY CHILDHOOD, PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION.--The public policy of the state is that corporal punishment shall not be used in early childhood education and care and primary and secondary education. The state or a political subdivision of the state shall not offer or grant any benefit to or execute a contract with a person who SEC→provides←SEC SEC→is in the business of providing←SEC early childhood education and care or primary or secondary education unless the person has adopted a policy, or otherwise agrees in writing, to prohibit the use of corporal punishment on the person's premises SEC→while the person is engaged in such business←SEC . As used in this section, "benefit" includes financial assistance, permitting, licensing, accreditation, advantages or privileges.