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SENATE BILL

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2017

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE ACT TO DIRECT THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT
TO CHANGE THE BASIS FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF PREVENTIVE AND EARLY
INTERVENTION SERVICES FOR CHILDREN.

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

SECTION 1. A new section of the Public Assistance Act is
enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] MEDICAL ASSISTANCE--PREVENTIVE AND EARLY
INTERVENTION SERVICES--BASIS FOR REIMBURSEMENT.--The secretary
shall seek any necessary authority under federal law to adopt
and promulgate rules under the state medical assistance program
to provide for the reimbursement of preventive and early
intervention services delivered to children on the basis of
need without specifying as a condition of reimbursement that a

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